

# Surrey – Delta – White Rock Community Council

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## Community Council Minutes

Wednesday, May 26, 2021 – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### CLBC – Surrey Office

Note: Meeting held via MS Teams, due to Covid-19 Social Distancing

- Present:** Tracey Chan, Jennifer Benjamin, Bernadette Pughe, Akshay Sachdeva, Ayesha Crasto
- Regrets:** Alison Scholefield, Linda Beck
- Guests:** Jaret St. Andrassy (Milieu); Nathan Shipley (Community Member), Tara Cleave (City of Surrey)
- CLBC staff:** Real Bernier – Facilitator; Jagdeep Rakhara – Integrated Services Manager, Regional Operations (South Fraser Region)
- Recorder:** Edwina Jeffrey
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1. **Recognize and welcome to everyone**
  - a) Jagdeep chaired the meeting, and it was called to order at: 6:10 pm. Acknowledgements were done to the traditional and unceded indigenous territories of the: Kwantlen, Katzie, QayQayt, Semiahmoo and Tsawwassen people.
  
2. **Council Agenda and minute review/discussion:**
  - a) **Review and motions to approve:**
    - i. May 26, 2021 Agenda  
Jennifer moved to approve the Agenda and Ayesha seconded the motion. Carried
    - ii. April 28, 2021 Minutes:  
Jennifer moved to approve and Ayesha seconded to accept the April 28, 2021 Minutes. Carried
  
3. **Introductions: Council members, CLBC staff and new guests**

Jagdeep, Real, Jennifer, Tracey, Bernadette, Ayesha, Akshay introduced themselves and welcomed the Guests: Jaret St Andrassy (Milieu), Nathan Shipley (Community Member) Website: Rolling with Nathan; available to do presentations) and Tara Cleave (City of Surrey, Measuring Up Committee).

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Jagdeep refreshed everyone on what a CLBC Community Council is all about, including details; e.g, to create partnerships with parents, service providers, community members, and provide information back to CLBC, in order to share concerns and successes.

## 4. CLBC related updates, and Council membership discussion:

### a) CLBC Updates

- Provincial health authorities working on second vaccinations for individuals in staffed residential placements. Staff will then receive vaccinations.
- Health direction received yesterday; roll out of 'back to normal' in four stages. Hopeful that by September we can meet in person.
- Direct Funded Respite flexibility for family members up to June 30, has been extended for another three months.

### b) Annual Council self-evaluation

- Monday, June 14, is the suggested deadline to complete the Annual Council self-evaluation
  - Comment: Found challenges within the survey.
- Knowing that many councils are struggling, one of the positives is that many are attending meetings. Example, the recruitment flyer was created, and any feedback is helpful; the engagement in responses is important rather than the number of achievements.

### c) Updates on council membership, renewals, vacant positions, further recruitment

- This meeting is the last one for the Chair position, so there will be vacancies. The chair and vice chair cannot be service providers. A parent, or community member can take these positions.
- Tracey's term is up, and we hope she will reapply for another term.
- Linda Beck has moved on and we wish her well.
- The council has received two applications, Ayesha and Jaret, who will join the council as new members.
  - Motion needed for Jaret and Ayesha to join council
- Bernadette moved to reappoint Jennifer for another term

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- Bernadette is now a new member; and two council members signed and verbally nominated her. The application has been sent to the Supervisor Administrative Services.
- Ayesha has contact at VanCity and requires a copy of the recruitment flyer
- Jennifer/Bernadette requested a copy of the Recruitment flyer
- Please continue to send out the Recruitment flyer
- Motion to give Linda and Vernon each a \$100 gift card; seconded by Bernadette (funds out of Council budget)

d) Annual Report submitted

Thank you to Real for creating and submitting the Council's Annual Report. The Council members appreciate his support.

e) New Criminal record check process with Ministry of Public and Solicitor General

Once this is available it will be sent out, and there is no fee.

## 5. Other Council Business:

a) Council information to report for PAC meeting on May 29<sup>th</sup>

Jagdeep will be attending this meeting. If someone can attend the meeting, let Jagdeep know. Also forward any thoughts, comments to take forward to the meeting.

- The PAC (Provincial Advisory Council) meets regularly, and the May meeting is the annual meeting with the Board, Managers and all provincial members.
- A representative shares information and then takes information back to the Council.

b) Milieu and LIFE-based pilot: L.I.F.E. = Learning Inclusion Friendship Employment

Jaret explained how Milieu is offering the LIFE-based pilot that now will potentially be offered. It is a unique service, with community inclusion and building skills. For example, as an individual needs services and when ready, being able to work your way out of needed supports with skills learned, out to the community and thus be able to plan independently and challenging how to accomplish anything.

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LIFE combines life-long learning and meaningful relationships and is a shift from Community Inclusion and Employment separately.

c) City of Surrey and Measuring Up Committee

Tara described the Measuring Up Committee, which is a community committee to City of Surrey (and reports to the Mayor). The committee looks at accessibility, and strategies typically within Leisure Access Program, where sometimes people have challenges within this. Individuals can bring their concerns to that committee who try to solve their issue. This committee comprises many people: disability organizations, community, etc.

Tara will present to the Council at a future meeting, to share resources and the strategies and synergies within the committee.

d) Incoming Council emails

- i. Four emails received: three prospective attendees/members, and one spam email (marketing nitrile gloves)
- ii. The three non-spam emails were forwarded to the ISM, for sending invitations to the three interested attendees: Sharrie Dahl; Jaret St. Andrassy, Daniel Sleath.

6. **Translink presentation on October 27, 2021; updates/further planning**

- Alison confirmed the meeting. Hopefully, the survey results completed by users will be included for this presentation. Suggest that this presentation be open to something Surrey council can host.
- CLBC has various points of interest and suggested invitees/attendees include: Service Providers, CLBC staff, other parents including from the Welcome Workshops.
- Perhaps send questions in advance? Send out an email to contacts that we are hosting this presentation?
- Another mention (by Milieu rep) is there is a committee set up for conversations around concerns for individuals to feel safe, to understand, and what happens when you get on the bus. This is about educating around other transportation (Translink) which is a great resource.

**ACTION:** Discuss this item further at the June meeting.

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## 7. CLBC Residential services: Shared Living/Home share and Residential Outreach

Jennifer Benjamin (BRAVO) presented on different options:

Introduction: Typically, when a family contacts them, there has been an assessment of their individual, and are CLBC eligible. The goal is to find the right match (usually from three agencies). A review and model of support or home share can be with a family, or couple.

Shared Living/Home share: These providers go through an extensive process of internal interviews:

- Identifying skill level, location and the motivation why the family/individual wants to do home sharing.
- Once it is felt that there is a potential match, then everyone meets, and determines specific area the individual wants to live in, all the things that are important to their lifestyle. We may not always have the families available, but ideally, we have a few available during emergencies. If our agency didn't have a good match, then they'd move onto another agency.
- After matching the individual with the provider, goals are determined with the individual (e.g., have their involvement in how their room should look, helping with chores, creating their own schedule).
- In the beginning check ins will be done and the home share provider will provide records, health and safety, and emergency kits.

It's also important to know:

- Religious/cultural background is a good match
- There are protocols for emergency funds.
- BRAVO provides supports for positive behaviour, seizure protocols.

Residential outreach: A support person would come into the family home and support with daily living chores, emotional support, helping them find a job. Very individualized, whatever they need and regular check ins to update goals. Support depends on CLBC funds, and really depends on the individual's needs.

Other remarks in response to Council member/attendees:

- A service agency can support a Landlord, help them understand who their tenant is, and expand and grow participants readiness to live independently. Getting Landlords on board, word of mouth at first, and the business-to-business piece (networking).
- Building on relationships with CLBC and accessible, affordable housing.

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- Can do independent living with supports.
- Individuals can live at home, pay rent and then get outreach services.
- For a future council meeting: Possibility to invite a service provider who does do employment services.
- PWD rates are set to encourage a person to work, and the ceiling has increased for support. Subsidized transportation which is better than in past years.
- If you want to change from home share to outreach, how does the funding work? Once funding has been allocated from CLBC it falls under residential, so we would take the funding and convert it into hours/week. In most cases, the individual does not lose their funding, but if the person is in crisis, so that request was for home share. But as they got to know the individual's capabilities, the individual could go back to working and live independently. And they may not need the entire portion of funding. The point is what does this individual need right now. Anything is possible.

8. **Check-in how is everyone doing?** Hopeful for the next phase and getting everyone together and go forward. Feeling light at the end of the tunnel. Looking forward to having an 'open' summer.

9. **Adjournment and Reminders:**

Recruitment Flyer will be sent out with the Minutes

Council will invite Nathan back to do a presentation to Council

**Next Community Council meeting: June 23, 2021 at 6 pm.**