



Vancouver Coastal Community Council Meeting

April 11, 2012

4th floor – 210 West Broadway

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Present: Peter Swayne, John Davies, Liz Cochran, Ernie Baatz, Deanne Ziebart, Jan Mareels, Theresa Huntly, Rita Leedholm, Ada Ko, Susan Kurbis

Regrets: Yuko McCulloch, Mara St. Onge-Dueck, Mark Perry

TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed Minutes of February 22, 2012 		
		ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved 	All council members
			N/A
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Strategic Planning 3 subcommittees to report on progress and plans	<p><u>Recreation</u> : Carlos Canizales, Mara St. Onge-Dueck, Jan Mareels, Mark Perry.</p> <p><u>Education and Employment</u>: Jay Townsend, Deanne Ziebart, Theresa Huntly, Pete Swayne</p> <p><u>Housing</u>: Liz Cochran, Yuko McCulloch, Ernie Baatz, Rita Leedholm</p>		
		ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
		<p><u>Recreation</u>: Carlos and Mara to meet with Douglas College on May 14th to discuss the possibility of students volunteering for Mara's recreation program at YMCA. They will meet with Geri Paterson, Coordinator/Faculty Therapeutic Recreation Department</p>	Carlos
			May 14, 2012

At the last council meeting Anja (practicum student) said that she was going to contact UBC to discuss the possibility of the School of Social Work having a practicum component, in conjunction with CLBC, to develop and implement a recreation program for our individuals. John Davies will follow-up with this as Anja has completed her practicum placement with CLBC.

John

Next Council Meeting

Education:

May 2nd event has been organized. Presentation will be provided by representatives from Capilano University, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Douglas College and Vancouver Community College.

Education Committee to organize and participate in the event.

May 2, 2012

Discussed the possibility of another workshop titled "What can you do to make your children job ready"

Education Committee

Discuss at next community council meeting

Housing:

Liz reported on the Parent Support Group workshop on Housing. Various housing options were presented. Mara attended the workshop to discuss the Home Share option and her positive experience as a Home Share provider. Good feedback from the workshop. Organize another housing workshop in September. Suggestions for the next Housing workshop: 2 day workshop with small group discussions.

Housing Committee

Discuss at next community council meeting

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CLBC update - John	<p><u>Staffing Changes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rachel is now working as facilitator in Surrey • Megan Tardiff is the Quality Assurance Manager. New manager will be hired for the Richmond/North Vancouver CLC office. <p><u>Budget</u></p> <p>In fiscal 2011/2012 CLBC provided new services to 187 people. 42% of money was residential and 38% community based services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6.6 million increase this fiscal year, 3.4 million new spending <p>3 areas of priority for spending</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) CIC 2) Transitioning youth – CLBC will be providing direct funded respite

3) Health and Safety

Engaging the people we serve

CLBC is contacting individuals that are eligible for our services and updating our request for service lists.

Government wants families to be more empowered, more emphasis on Individual Funding. Assist families to pool resources, council involvement welcomed.

Jack Styan has been recently hired to work for CLBC to work on Strategic Initiatives.

ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
No Action Required	N/A	N/A

TOPIC DISCUSSION

Election of Vice Chair Liz Cochran was nominated for the Vice Chair position. She is now the Vice Chair for the Vancouver Community Council.

Retirement of council member Yaming Chen sent an e-mail to all community council members to inform them of his resignation from the Vancouver Community Council.

Ernie, Peter, Rita and Mara’s term of office will terminate on March 2013.

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No Action Required	N/A	N/A

TOPIC

Preparation for PAC meeting – Saturday April 14, 2012.

PAC meeting will address the following:

- Improve communication and collaboration between Community Councils, Advisory Committee and CLBC Board and staff
- Support Community Councils to be successful in achieving their goals
- Enhance the sustainability of Community Councils.

Input from council members:

- Not a clear understanding of community council’s role. Lack of distinction between CLBC and council. What should happen to bring about more distinction? Would council be more effective if it was more independent?
- Things that are of concern to families are not getting to the board. The information given to the CLBC board is not reflective of what is happening for families.
- Suggestion that PAC speak to board directly rather than a representative of the Board going to the PAC meeting.

- Simplify and clarify the process of giving information to the board.
- Written reply from CLBC board why some suggestions have been rejected and/or accepted.
- Terms of Reference should be addressed.
- Strategic Plan for community council has been successful.
- Working sub-committees for community council has been successful (example: Housing/Recreation/Education committees)

ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Liz and Peter will bring recommendations to PAC meeting.	Liz and Peter	April 14, 2012

TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Reports – issues, concerns, recommendations, commendations.	<p><u>Giving in Action</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deanne shared information on “Giving in Action”. GIA Volunteer Program. Families helping families. Giving in Action’s volunteer program connects new applicants with other families from around the province that previously received a grant from GIA. • Giving in Action has expanded the eligibility of the Family Independence Fund. FIF helps families throughout the province who are eligible to receive support from CLBC. <p><u>Transition group future meetings</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May meeting – wills/trusts • June – social <p><u>BC People’s First</u> http://bcpeoplefirst.wordpress.com/ “Nothing About us without us” conference and AGM will be held in Burnaby Hilton on February 24, 2012.</p> <p><u>BCACL conference</u> Conference in Penticton May 28, 29th and 30th.</p>

❖ Next Vancouver Council Meeting June 6, 2012 at 210 West Broadway