



Vancouver Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 26th, 2020
3rd floor, 210 West Broadway
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Attendees: Aileen, Annie, Bruce, Robbie, John, Menwoh, Margaret, Sienna, Norine, Spencer, James, Vicki, Vanessa, Sunny

Guests: UBC students: Lisa Odland, Matt Cheung

Regrets: Renee

Minute taking: Namgay

Agenda Item 1: Welcome & check-in

The council began with a brief intro and check in of council members; guests present also introduced themselves to the group.

**Agenda Item 2: Approval of
January 29th, 2020 meeting
minutes**

The council approved the January 29th meeting.

**Agenda Item 3: Presentation of
Sienna Program with UBC
students**

Norine gave a background of Sienna's program to the council. Sienna is a part of mentor/mentee program along with three UBC students from various health related background. Lisa Odland in occupational therapy, Noreen in pharmacy and Matt in medicine have formed a group with Sienna. It's a 9th month program and they meet once a month. The students must write a journal on reflections with their time with Sienna. They also visit Sienna at home and work on the poster board together with Sienna as a team. Norine also told the council Sienna has been invited to attend a collaboration meeting at the end of March with CLBC's Randy Schmidt (Executive Director, Communications and Stakeholder Relations and Jack Styan (Vice President, Strategic Initiatives). They will be discussing curriculum on disabilities. The students addressed the council that they are enjoying working one to one with Sienna.

**Agenda Item 4: Update on CLBC
Provincial Advisory Council
Meeting**

Spencer updated the council on the Provincial Advisory Council meeting. He covered for John. CEO of CLBC sees the guiding principles for CLBC work is focussed on are Home, Health, Employment and Friendship & Community. This contributes to sense of inclusion and well-being. There is a BC working group on inclusion on phase 2. It identifies issues on inclusion and to identify players on future contemplation. They also discussed on accessibility of CLBC offices. Distance of the offices, parking, size of the front desk, staff, washroom. Various PAC members pointed out their challenges on accessibility of CLBC offices. They discussed that at the time of choosing a CLB office location, these points are taken into consideration. There is a survey/assessment tools that is being sent out to see what improvements can be done to make the building more accessible. They also discussed about various councils across the province. Key points of discussions were how to improve recruitment and communication amongst the councils. The CLBC board members who was present in the meeting were also very actively taking part. Next meeting in in the first week of April 2020.

**Agenda Item 5: Roundtable on
Aging**

CLBC Manager, James White addressed the council on Roundtable on Aging. Back in 2013 CLBC had done presentations throughout the province & gathered information associated with supporting adults with developmental disabilities who are growing older in our community. Currently, we are working around projecting how many people CLBC will serve that are 50+ in 5-10 & 20 years from now. We have set up a committee and would like to have one family member to come to attend a meeting on roundtable on aging. Its scheduled-on March 19th at CLBC head office at 10 am. James invited the members to attend this meeting.

Agenda Item 7: UBC presentation on the podcast initiative (Vicki)

Vicki updated counsel on her roundtable on podcast that she had with UBC student, Archana & CLBC self advocate Alex Magnussen. They discussed the challenges faced when participating in election, offering experiences and advices for other people with disabilities and their support staff. She presented a PPT and by the end of it has some question for the council as to how we can we make this podcast most useful for them and other self-advocates & also, what do you think people need to know about accessible democracy. The council brainstormed about it and came to a conclusion that social networking is important and

Agenda Item 8: Update on Self-advocate Leadership Conference

Sunny reports that the conference will take place on March 30, 2020 in Burnaby Bonsor Rec Centre from 8:30-4:30pm. Registration dead-line is March 16th. This year's theme is "Wholesome Living". A brochure will be shared soon, and staff are to share with agencies, individuals and families. Registration is open until March 16. For interested attendees, please contact Heeae at 604 999-9522.

Agenda Item 9: Next meeting date

Council agreed to meet on March 25th, Wednesday.