

Surrey – Delta – White Rock Community Council

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Community Council Minutes

Wednesday, November 27, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:

CLBC – Surrey Office

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From 6:00 to 8:30 pm

Present: Vernon Hudson, Vicki Stratton, Linda Beck, Jennifer Benjamin
Regrets: Crystal Thompson (Pivot Point), Tracey Chan, Alison Scholefield, Laila Karim
Guests: Akshay Sachdeva, Sean Beddows
CLBC staff: Real Bernier, Facilitator
Recorder: Edwina Jeffrey

1. Call to order and Welcome

Vernon chaired and called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm following dinner. Vernon identified the unceded territories of Kwantlen, Musqueam, Katzie, Semiahmoo, Tsawwassen, Qayqayt and Kwikwetlem peoples, and acknowledged their land where we have our meetings.

The Council members were pleased to have Akshay Sachdeva and Sean Beddows rejoin us at the meeting.

2. Motions:

a) Review and approval of the November 27th meeting agenda.

Motion: *Moved by Vicki and seconded by Linda to accept the November 27th meeting agenda. Carried Unanimously*

b) Review and approval of the October 30th meeting minutes.

Motion: *Moved by Vicki and seconded by Vernon to accept the October 30th meeting minutes. Carried Unanimously*

3. Council Member Updates:

- a) Review of member term expiry dates: An email has been sent out describing membership terms. The motion: 'Nomination of a new Vice-Chair person' will require council to regroup or identify new members and

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determine how recruitment will be established. Therefore, this item deferred until January (2020). (Refer to 3 b) for more information.)

b) Status / Action / Person responsible for Membership Recruitment via:

i. Business or service areas (not discussed)

ii. One page Council rack card: ideas for discussion

1. A one page letter size is available, (no picture) and the rack card is an electronic version in .pdf format.

- Can the rack card be photocopied in colour (side by side, portrait print) and add Surrey office phone number.

2. Identify whether a media release/ad from CLBC (via community newspapers) is doable to help Councils recruit.

- Have a more punchy rack card for advertising. (All members experimented with the wording.)
- Feature local employees in the local papers.

3. **ACTION:** Real will follow-up with what other alternatives are available for Council to tell the community about what we do and/or to have 1-page rack card by next council meeting or before.

iii. Community workshops (and find out where the gaps are)

1. Sirota Alchymy Martial Arts

Real is in discussions with Sirota's Alchymy and will have formal updates and clarifications soon.

- Previous workshop ideas on Work Plan that need attention/review; e.g., RDSP's, Microboards? Discussion that other regions doing this. But, how can we advertise to our large Surrey area community members the other regions where workshops such as RDSP's, will, trusts and estates, are held? (We were talking about FACEBOOK, OneHub, or a tab on CLBC website.)

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ACTION: Real will follow up with Josefina on how information is disseminated to families (e.g., for previous workshops/forums in Surrey/Delta).

iv. Indigenous Health and Wellness workshops

Suggestion: approach them for member recruiting.

4. Outstanding items from October 30th meeting

October 24, 2019 Inclusive Employer Awards event: 34 nominations.... Winners:

Small Business: Boyd Auto Body and Glass

Medium Business: LMI Technologies Surrey

Large Business: Starbucks Newton Village

Not for Profit: PICS Progress Intercultural Community Services Society

Discussion followed: What made these employers inclusive? Can we feature local employees and put in the local papers, or if anyone encounters the employees at these businesses please advise Council members.

ACTION: Edwina to forward email featuring Mark Wafer in “3.21: Canada’s Down Syndrome Magazine” (the Employment Issue). Note: There is a Mark Wafer feature video on www.employerawards.ca under ‘About - History’ tab.

- a) CLBC Welcome Workshops: more family/parent participants are needed
not discussed
- b) Council meeting attendees to bring topics of interest forward for the Council to explore/discuss.
 - i. Surrey Arts Council ‘Spotlight’: to have Council sponsor and put in a small art show at Newton Arts Centre: Unfortunately the gallery is booked for 2020. Council would need to become a (group) member.
ACTION: Vicki to ask Surrey Arts Council of possibility to get name on the list for 2021.
 - ii. Hold a music workshop because music is a calming influence for children. If the workshops are frequent then that brings awareness of the Council to the community. *On hold for now.*

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iii. Self-advocate’s vision and main reason for joining council is to change or draw attention for service providers to find meaningful work for individuals and determine a quantifiable number or percentage of success for employment.

5. **Meeting check-in: a round table discussion to see how is everyone doing. What is working well and what are challenges (time permitting).** Members shared lots of information during the meeting, thus there was not time for this agenda item.

Adjournment at 8:34 pm and Reminders:

6. **Next Community Council meeting is January 22(?), 2020 at the Surrey CLBC office. A meeting request email will be sent out; please reply with your Accept, Tentative, or Regrets. January 2020 Agenda items: none**