



Provincial Advisory Committee Meeting

April 22, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Community Living BC Head Office

Attendees:

Provincial Advisory Committee Members:

Debbie Moore, *Chair, North Okanagan/Shuswap*

Kerry Lawson (Guest), *Simon Fraser*

Alex Evanshen, *North Shore/Sunshine Coast*

Debra Roblin, *North Region*

Charlene Barney, *South Island*

Crystal Bermel, *Kootenay*

Kara Anderson, *Central Island*

Sharrie Dahl (Guest), *Surrey/Delta/White Rock*

Tracy Jo Russell, *Thompson Cariboo*

Vanessa Mendoza/Vicki Wang, *Vancouver*

CLBC Board

Simon Philp

Corey Walker

Amber Rainshadow

CLBC Staff:

Ross Chilton, *Chief Executive Officer*

Randy Schmidt, *Vice President, Governance and Communications*

Jessica Humphrey, *Self Advocate Advisor*

Jeffrey Bernasor, *Executive Assistant*

David Johnston, *Strategic Initiatives Advisor*

Minutes prepared by:

Kelly Lai, Executive Assistant

1. Welcome

Debbie Moore called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. and provided an acknowledgement of Indigenous traditional territories. Debbie welcomed the guests and members.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 28, 2022, meeting was reviewed.

Motion

Debbie Moore duly SECONDED by Debra Roblin moved to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2023, meeting. **CARRIED**

3. Member Roundtable

Each PAC member shared an update about what their respective Councils are working on, as well as membership and recruitment needs. Some highlights noted were:

- Held Valentine's Day dance and presentation from Nanaimo Self Advocacy group – *Central Island Council*
- Hosting connection and information sharing event on Wednesday May 31st in Fort. St. John. Helping to present and promote Welcome Workshops – *North Council*
- Planning a 'making and maintaining healthy relationships' event, BBQ picnic event, and partnering with community theatre to host monthly autism friendly nights. Invited local Fire Chief to present to the Council and gathered resources for emergency preparedness – *North Okanagan Shuswap*
- Hosted a Joint In-Person event to bring two Councils together to share ideas and plans for the following year. Visited local social enterprise – "*Potluck Café Society*". Vancouver Council was asked by the City of Vancouver to continue assisting with the Vancouver Accessibility Work Plan – *Vancouver Council and North Shore Sunshine Coast Council*
- Hired a student to do research about accessible and inclusive housing. Working on community mapping and planning to hire a contractor to support self-advocates to present about inclusive housing to local housing and municipal groups – *Thompson Cariboo Council*
- Working on recruitment, community picnic, and identifying continuing issues: Ageing, Housing and Transparency – *Simon Fraser Council*
- Working on an In-Person annual general meeting, planting "*Tree of Rights*", and new Trail Self Advocacy Group – *Kootenay Council*
- Continuing Council member education by hosting speakers at meetings (such as ex-Nidus and representation agreements). Partnering with Upper Fraser Council and the Indigenous Community to host drumming and smudging event – *Surrey/White Rock/Delta Council*

4. CLBC Updates from Chief Executive Officer Ross Chilton and Vice President, Governance and Communications, Randy Schmidt

- There are positive changes with the Community Living Authority Act:
 - The Community Living Authority Act will require the CLBC Board to have a minimum of two individuals eligible for CLBC – one family member and one Indigenous member
 - The Community Living Authority Act will require the CLBC Board to have an Indigenous Advisory Committee

- Jessica Humphrey received a promotion. Her new title will be “Manager, of Community Engagement”. Jessica will hire someone to assist with supporting PAC and the Community Council
- Community Living BC is designing a new Crisis Prevention and Response Service. **The Design Team can join the May or June Council meeting to discuss your ideas about the design. If the Council members are interested, please notify Jessica Humphrey**
- Community Living BC received a budget increase and raised the Individual and Family Core Funding
- The BC CEO Network received a grant from CLBC to assist with recruiting more people to join the Community Living field
- The Ministry announced an increase for shelter for individuals on PWD of \$125.00/month
- There will be final COVID call for self-advocates and families on Tuesday May 2, 2023, from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Join on your computer, mobile app, or room device:
 - [Click here to join the meeting](#)
Meeting ID: 223 968 016 450
Passcode: hUdfCu
[Download Teams](#) | [Join on the web](#)
 - If Council members have any questions or need more information regarding the above update, please contact Jessica Humphrey @ Jessica.Humphrey@gov.bc.ca

5. Board Updates and Discussions with Board Liaisons – Amber Rainshadow, Corey Walker, and Simon Philp

- Corey Walker gave Board updates to the Council members
- The Board will be travelling to the Northern Community of Hazelton with the Indigenous Advisory Committee in May
- Attached is the Board report
- The next Open Board Meeting is happening on Wednesday May 10, 2023. The meeting is open to the public. Council members are encouraged to attend the meeting.
 - If Council members are interested, please contact Padminée Chundunsing @ Padminée.Chundunsing@gov.bc.ca

6. Common Issues/Questions Across the Province to Bring Forward to the Board

- The PAC has a role to let the Board know about the issues and questions that are in common across the province.
- The Council members are hearing that self-advocates and families are concerned about the future and want to know what type of supports and options available for future planning
- The Council members collectively agreed about bringing forward the issues of ‘Ageing’ to the Board

ACTION: CLBC will organize for staff to bring a presentation on current work around aging back to the PAC in October 2023

ACTION: PAC members agreed to take back to their Councils the idea of having a regular item on their Council meetings to discuss any issues individuals and family members in their community are encouraging to bring back to PAC

7. CLBC Accessibility Draft Work Plan Actions

- Randy, Jessica, and David presented the draft work plan actions for the CLBC Accessibility Work Plan
- Attached is the presentation with the draft work plan actions
- The Council members agreed and supported the draft work plan actions presented by Randy, Jessica, and David
- [Plain Language Summary of the CLBC Accessibility Baseline Report can be found here](#)

ACTION: CLBC will move ahead to finalize and publish the CLBC Accessibility Plan

8. PAC Chair Nomination

- Debbie Moore's last meeting as PAC Chair will be in October
- If a Council member is interested in becoming PAC Chair or interested in nominating someone to be PAC Chair, please contact Randy Schmidt @ Randy.Schmidt@gov.bc.ca
- If Council members want to know more information regarding the role of PAC Chair, please contact Debbie Moore @ debbiemore40@gmail.com
- There will be a vote for the new PAC Chair in October

9. Self-Advocate Leadership Institute is Accepting Applications until Friday April 28, 2023

- Check below link for application deadline updates
 - <https://inclusionbc.org/self-advocacy-leadership-institute-2023/>

10. Charlene Barney's Reminder to Recognize and Be Part of Indigenous Awareness Days

- May 5, 2023 - [National Day for Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women](#)
- May 11, 2023 - [Moosehide campaign](#)
- June 21, 2023 - [National Indigenous Peoples Day](#)
- September 30, 2023 - [Orange Shirt Day](#)

11. Annual Joint In-Person Meeting with the Board, Council Chairs, Provincial Advisory Committee, and Indigenous Advisory Committee on Saturday June 3, 2023

- The Annual Joint In-Person meeting will include a special ceremony where CLBC will sign a statement as a commitment to Indigenous Reconciliation

12. Closing and Next Meeting Date

There being no further business to discuss, the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and participation and the meeting was adjourned at 2:49 p.m. The next Provincial Advisory Committee is scheduled for Saturday October 14, 2023.