



When: June 2, 2015, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
 Where: Central Elementary, Room 119

Recorder: Annette Williams

Chair: Karen Steegstra

ATTENDANCE:

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1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Agenda – Approved, with the addition below.

Add budget discussion under business arising; and Conversation on Chilliwack’s children update at end.

3. Approval of Minutes from last meeting – Approved



4. Business Arising from the minutes

a. Success By 6 Funds

There was a Capable Kids meeting with Karen, Trish and Tara. Tara wrote a letter of support. Trish will create a budget.

b. Early Years Committee Budget – was circulated at the meeting

Discussion regarding expenditure of uncommitted funds ensued as follows.

At the June 2nd CYC meeting delegates from the Early Years committee spoke, and requested that the 2016 Consultation have an early years focus.

The School District might be interested in an early years topic being presented at their October 23rd professional development day. Perhaps a high profile keynote speaker can present in an evening, to provide a learning opportunity for parents and early childhood educators. The next day could be the professional development day. Then the same language and message would be communicated, directed at socio-emotional well being. It's possible that the teachers might not be able to attend the 2016 Consultation, so perhaps there could be more than one event throughout the year to accommodate them.

IDEAS: Use some of the uncommitted funds to bring in a keynote speaker. [Mike MacKay](#), Director of [Canadian Self-Regulation Initiative](#), would be a good speaker.

Some of the unallocated to go to the Parenting Club; third printing of the Child Development Guide, perhaps in the fall.

Join in a Seniors Resource Fair, and profile Relatives Raising Relatives.

Create a “Self-Regulation Outreach Activities or Professional Development” budget.

Create a story about grandparents raising their grandchildren, for use in the community and the press.

DECISION: Set money aside from the budget to bring in Mike MacKay or another high profile keynote speaker. If the school district isn't able to partner in this in October, invite the presenter to speak the evening before the Conversation on Chilliwack's Children and also be a keynote speaker at the Conversation (Consultation).

Budget was approved as presented.

5. New Business/other Business

a. Healthy Kids Day

The event is on Sunday, June 7th. Danielle and Katrina will have a table, and would welcome display information from other agencies for their table.

b. Stakeholder Survey

The deadline has been extended to June 12th. The survey was reviewed at this meeting, and recommendations were made for Karen to take to Joseph Dunn at Success By 6.

MCFD's Provincial Office for the Early Years has opened the RFP process for BC Early Years Centres. The deadline is October 28th.

IDEAS: Replicate a hub in Watson, where there are higher vulnerability numbers.

Rent a unit at the mall. Partners would take turns at the unit. Perhaps there is space within RONA, which is moving to the mall.

ACTION: Karen will contact the mall to find out pricing. Darby will contact RONA.



6. Task Group Updates

- a. **Social Marketing** – not covered
- b. **Childcare Task Group** – not covered
- c. **Parent to Parent Mentoring** – not covered

d. Baby Friendly Initiative

Baby Friendly Initiative is putting together information packages for businesses, samples of which were handed out at this meeting. Wording of the introductory letter was discussed and some changes recommended. It is endorsed by the Chilliwack Early Years Committee.

- e. **Visioning Committee** – not covered
- f. **Parenting Classes** – not covered

7. Coordinators Report – not covered

8. Agency Updates – not covered

9. Next Meeting: September 10, Central Gateway, Room 119, 1:00pm – 3:00pm

10. Adjournment: 3:10 pm

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