

SEA-CAT Meeting Minutes
2012 Sept 26 – 1pm / Youth Services

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In Attendance:

Toby Araki, Joel Czeck, Alysha Stoddard, John Stellingwarff, James Morgan, Kelly Balasak, James Challman, Verna Ludeman, Tim Bohr, Karen Pedersen, Alisha Cartmell, Karen Steegstra, Amanda Johnson, Melanie Voth

Agenda

- 1- Refresher on purpose and goals of committee
- 2- Update on SEY week for March 2013
- 3- Discuss fundraising account to get brochures out
- 4- Reporting format (accountability to CYC and Clinical Sub-committee)

- 5- Grant application we should apply for
- 6- How to get the schools on board with participating in SEY week

- Chair is a jointly shared position
 - o Melanie Voth – administrative
 - o Amanda Johnson & James Morgan – working leadership
- The CYC committee has a new website and items from this committee can be put onto the website through Karen Steegstra (website: www.childandyouth.com)
- Verbal support has been given by the leadership teams of MCFD and CCS and the RCMP regarding the possibility of using Peace Bonds, Protective Intervention Orders and building legal cases for protecting youth from sex offenders
- MCFD has stated that MCFD lawyers will be available to meet with the RCMP, Social Workers etc to speak about how we can joint work on meeting these needs
- Jazzy Bindrah (regional coordinator for human trafficking for BC and Yukon) has been great in lending her expertise in the area of sexual exploitation
- It may be a great idea to have a portion of the ABC conference to give awareness and information to the professionals at this conference
 - o ABC – action builds community – this year will be the 20th anniversary
 - o Community event that is held each year to bring the community together and share information and focus
- Sexual Exploitation Week is March 10-16, 2013 – see outline of what the week will hold
 - o The speakers have been booked already as this became time sensitive
 - o We may want to talk to the schools to see if we can work together with them to see if youth can get school credit
- CCS has given permission to be the account holder for money to be funnelled though them with the understanding that CCS not be first and format as to who the committee is
 - o Brochures need to be approved and printed
 - o We need to develop a budget so that we can take it back to our individual organizations
 - o Now that we have an account we need to develop information around it
 - Who is responsible for it
 - Who is managing the money
 - Developing a budget
 - Managing the money
 - Once we have something official then we are able to give it out to increase our credibility as a committee
 - **Tobi** will contact Diane from SEY up north and have them send us a copy of their budget etc so that we can use that as a guide.
- **John** will present at the next CYC – Clinical Sub committee what is happening with this committee
- Need clarity as to what is the structure of accountability
 - CYC – clinical sub committee – SEA-CAT is the structure

- Would like to have some from the clinical sub committee to be part of the SEA-CAT so that there is always a very transparent view of what is going on
- James is speaking with Brenda Fresse (SD 33) who is going to be helping to write grant proposals
- Dan Bibby (MCFD Community Service Manager) is very supportive of this committee and gives support from his position for what is going on
- What can be done to have further involvement with the aboriginal community?
 - Verna Ludeman has been asked to see if she can gather further support and involvement from Aboriginal communities
 - Cherry Smiley is from Aboriginal community and may be a great compliment to this committee
- James & Amanda will make a list of what all needs to be done and send it out the committee so that people can send it out to their contacts to get volunteers

Next meeting:

Wednesday, October 24, 2012 @ 1pm – Youth Services