



When: June 6, 2013 1:00-3:00
 Where: Central Gateway, 9435 Young Road, Rm 119

Recorder: Annette Williams

Chair: Trish Ackland

ATTENDANCE:

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1. Welcome and Introductions

- 2. Approval of Agenda** – Approved, with the following additions
- Chilliwack Learning Community Society celebration recap
 - Child and Youth Committee (CYC) website statistics

3. Approval of Minutes of last meeting – Approved



4. Business Arising from the minutes

a. Early Years Budget – Included in 4.b.

b. Central Gateway: Childcare Expenses

Debbie Onucki is the Coordinator for any questions about what programs there are, or how it is run. Jackie Ayer is the budget contact. There have been exciting expansions to the programs.

Jackie provided a program budget which was reviewed at the meeting. Much of the subsidies go to wages. There is still question about some of the income and expenditure allocation, with respect to money given from the Early Years subcommittee.

DECISION: Jackie will research and report back at September's Early Years subcommittee meeting.

Dan clarified that \$32,000 has been received from Successby6 and \$8,000 top up monies from MCFD. Chilliwack Community Services should report to the Early Years subcommittee on a semi-annually basis for the funds received from the subcommittee.

c. Bouncy Castle and Tent Costs

Discussion ensued about the allocations for recent successful United Way grant. \$1500 U.S. is the cheapest price found for a bouncy castle. Craigslist sometimes has toddler sized one for \$450. Transportation, storage and liability insurance would be required. Renting is about \$350/day. The Abbotsford Early Years committee has one. Since the Early Years subcommittee cannot obtain liability insurance, it would need to be provided under the umbrella of an agency.

DECISION: Karen will meet Denise from Abbotsford to see what they do, then email the committee to begin a discussion.

A 10" x 10" logoed tent will cost about \$800. It would be used when doing developmental screening at events. Karen will tell Successby6 that we don't have our own tent. One can possibly be rented, and the Successby6 banners be temporarily attached to it for the duration of the event.

One option for spending some of the United Way grant would be advertising with radio stations when the Early Years will be at an event.

United Way grant must be spent by March 31, 2014, but recommended by December 2013.

5. New Business/other Business

a. CYC Consultation Evaluation Update

There were 160 registered guests and an additional 20 who came for a portion of the day. Evaluation ratings were very high. There will be one again next year, with recommended topics of navigating the system for clients, dealing with some of the issues of clients not being aware of what's available, and how to find out more about them.

"Every door is the right door" concept was well liked. It raised a question of how to make staff aware of what's happening in the community. In September the CYC will meet to see how to address those challenges. One proposed idea is to bring administrative front line staff from all agencies together for a half day, to educate about different organizations and contacts.



Debbie Denault mentioned that since CLCS has been a part of the Early Years subcommittee, they've tracked when a CYC agency connects with them about literacy. One agency connected with them after the consultation to refer a learner, who is now in touch with their English as a Second Language coordinator to find the most suitable environment for his learning needs.

Donna gave an update on the Child Development Guide at this point. The Provincial Successby6 has decided they want to do a development guide. It will be a Provincial general guide, not with specific local resources. There was discussion about whether the Early Years Child Development Guide should continue, due to this.

DECISION: Continue with the local guide, to be completed by July 19th for Party in the Park. Anyone who wants to be there with CHHCF is invited to join them at no charge. Donna will email information out through Karen.

b. Party in the Park Invite from CHHCF – covered directly above

c. Logo Refresh

There has been a quote of \$350 to refresh the ladybug logo, possibly as part of the Child Development Guide budget printing expense. It is projected that the printing expense line will be under budget.

DECISION: Approved

6. Strategic Plan: Goal Activity Updates:

Child Development Guide – covered in 5.a.

7. Task Group Updates

a. Social Marketing – Healthy Kids Day

It was very successful with an excellent turnout. Two screenings done by FVDC and none by Sto:lo. People seemed to just want to have fun. CLCS handed out about 400 books and three parents expressed strong interest in a tutor. Karen gave out a lot of magnets and pens. Sto:lo had an activity – 150 cups of supplies for the activities and all were gone at the end of the day. CCS' Family Literacy Programs received a couple of potential students for fall.

It would have been good for families to be given bags to carry the items they received that day.

b. Young Parenting

There was a Building Healthy Relationships session this past weekend. One couple and one recently single person attended, rather than the ten preferred. There will be some changes made and another session will be run next year.

There are three Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) mentors ready to take on young parents. Generally they're finding that the 14 to 16 year olds aren't "buying in", so BBBS will increase the age to take 19-20 year olds who do want the support.

c. Terms of Reference Committee

Kiran and Karen met. Some of the language will be changing to more closely reflect the current Early Years subcommittee. Will be updated over the summer and presented in the fall.



d. Upcoming Training

- i. June Webinars (HELP) – was June 5, 6
- ii. July 20th – Self Regulation Workshop
June 21 session is now full.
- iii. July – Brain Development – Bruce Perry et al
4-5 days at UBC. \$700
- iv. Force Webinars
These are on their website, listed under “in the know” on the left sidebar of the following link: <http://www.forcesociety.com/support>, available for parents and professionals. Send families there.
- v. Trauma Informed Practice Sessions
Run the third Thursday of the month at Sardis Family Place, 9-11am.

Strongest Families BC – a telephone parent coaching for mild to moderate behaviours disorders. Need a doctor referral, the referral form is on the website. 3-12 year olds.

In the fall CLCS will have workshops to train Family Literacy volunteers, the approach very collaborative between agencies.
ACTION: The topic will be added to September Early Years agenda.

Youth Clinics Health Forum, run by Fraser Health, one of the activities being giving out free birth control. There is no forum in Chilliwack, so could use advocacy to get it in Chilliwack due to high birth rate by teens.

7. Website

Site visits increased significantly between March and April and were steady in May. Number of visitors navigating directly to site by hyperlink was consistent month over month; those navigating by keyword search has increased. Highest keyword search was Fraser Valley Aboriginal Children and Family Services Society (FVACFS).

8. Coordinators Report

<http://childandyouth.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/Community-Coordinator-Report-June-2013.pdf>

9. Agency Updates

CLCS hosted a Celebration Dinner to thank everyone who has been part of literacy and learning over the last year, inclusive of volunteers and contributors.
CLCS logoed gifts to Early Years subcommittee members.

10. Next Meeting: September 12, 2013

11. Adjournment: 2:57 pm

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