



**Chilliwack Child and Youth Committee  
Early Years Sub-Committee**



**When:** Thursday, April 1, 2010, 12:30 to 3:30pm

**Where:** Chilliwack Community Services – 45938 Wellington Avenue

**ATTENDANCE:**

Carol Dorn	CCS – Downtown Family Place	<a href="mailto:dornc@comserv.bc.ca">dornc@comserv.bc.ca</a>
Darby Wilkinson	CCS – Director of Early Years Programs	<a href="mailto:wilkinsond@comserv.bc.ca">wilkinsond@comserv.bc.ca</a>
Donna Gannon	Chilliwack Learning Community Society	<a href="mailto:dmgannon@shaw.ca">dmgannon@shaw.ca</a>
Elaine Jackson	Chilliwack Family YMCA	<a href="mailto:childcare@ymcachwk.com">childcare@ymcachwk.com</a>
Karin Rempel	Make Children First	<a href="mailto:rempefamily@shaw.ca">rempefamily@shaw.ca</a>
Kiran Sidhu	Supported Child Care FV Child Dev. Centre	<a href="mailto:ksidhu@fvcdc.org">ksidhu@fvcdc.org</a>
Mary-Anne Smirle	School District #33	<a href="mailto:maryanne_smirle@sd33.bc.ca">maryanne_smirle@sd33.bc.ca</a>
Nadine Clattenburg	Principal - Watson Elementary School	<a href="mailto:nadine_clattenburg@sd33.bc.ca">nadine_clattenburg@sd33.bc.ca</a>
Sandy Seib	CCS – Families First	<a href="mailto:seibs@comserv.bc.ca">seibs@comserv.bc.ca</a>
Sherry Sinclair	CCS – CPNP & CAP-C	<a href="mailto:sinclairs@comserv.bc.ca">sinclairs@comserv.bc.ca</a>
Tammy Boersma	Community Coordinator Assistant	<a href="mailto:tboersma@shaw.ca">tboersma@shaw.ca</a>
Trish Ackland	Child and Youth Mental Health	<a href="mailto:Trish.ackland@gov.bc.ca">Trish.ackland@gov.bc.ca</a>

**REGRETS:**

Barb Presseau	CCS – Childcare Resource and Referral	<a href="mailto:presseaub@comserv.bc.ca">presseaub@comserv.bc.ca</a>
Dan Ludeman	Community Manager - MCFD	<a href="mailto:dan.ludeman@gov.bc.ca">dan.ludeman@gov.bc.ca</a>
Joanne Kovanchak	School District #33 – Education Centre	<a href="mailto:Joanne_kovanchak@sd33.bc.ca">Joanne_kovanchak@sd33.bc.ca</a>

**Chair:** Sherry Sinclair

**Recorder:** Karin Rempel

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**3. Approval of Minutes of March 04, 2010** – approved as presented

a) Will continue working on number 6 and 7 of March minutes at today’s meeting.

**4. Business Arising**

a) *We received a note from Barb Presseau on behalf of the CCRR program thanking the EY Committee for funding received over the past 3 years*

**5. MCFD Budget Update**

a) Dan still does not have solid numbers. He suggested that we work with a the knowledge of the Children First funds and 2 scenarios – 1 with Sx6 funds of \$25,000.00 and 1 without sx6 funds

## 6. Finance Task Group Update

- a) Darby presented the amounts based on the 2 scenarios Dan suggested. She also presented the results of the core membership priority votes from March meeting (see attached)
- b) We are working from the following unconfirmed funding amounts

Success by 6	\$ 25,000.00
Children First	\$100,000.00
Carry over (2008)	\$ 4,164.64
Sub total	\$129,164.64
Less Coordinator ext	(\$ 27,000.00)
Amount remaining	\$102,164.64

- c) The proposals received that met all the criteria (based on March meeting) Central Gateway, DFP, Families in Motion & Pregnant & Parenting Youth Outreach Worker.
- d) Those who met all the criteria were asked to revisit their budget and come back with a revised amount. All resubmitted with a revised budget as follows:

	Original amount	Revised amount
Central Gateway	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 28,000.00
Downtown Family Place	\$ 23,358.00	\$ 16,350.00
Families in Motion (Childcare)	\$ 23,838.00	\$ 16,687.00
Pregnant & Parenting Youth	\$ 22,933.00	\$ 21,000.00
Positive Parenting	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
	\$130,129.00	\$ 97.037

### e) Implications of funding reductions

#### i. **Central Gateway**

- (1) funding cut will reduce staff hours and could put in jeopardy the funding received for Families First and Family Literacy Programs (childcare numbers). Cuts affect the ## of adults in programs.
- (2) \$10,000 original reduction was due to the funding received by having licensed preschool at Gateway.

#### ii. **Downtown Family Place**

- (1) already operates on a shoestring budget cut would cause loss of 16hr position and limit program time.

#### iii. **Families in Motion (Childcare)**

- (1) no other funding is available for the childcare portion of program and loss would affect other funding sources for the adult portion of program.

#### iv. **Pregnant & Parenting Youth Outreach Worker**

- (1) this was a very successful pilot funding received last year will carry position to October 2010.

#### v. The proposals received that met criteria but were on the hump because of unanswered questions or didn't quite meet all the criteria but those present felt were very important to the support system in Chilliwack: Sardis Doorway, Positive Parent, Infant Mental Health.

- (1) Sardis Doorway resubmitted proposal with clarifications made.
- (2) After discussion:
  - Infant Mental Health has been taken off the table (by Trish Ackland)
  - Sardis Doorway was taken off table (by Karin Rempel) unless more funding comes available.
- (3) The Coordinator/asst Coordinator positions will remain (reduced to \$27,000.00) and work plan will be looked at the Finance Task Group Meeting.

## **ACTIONS:**

**Mary-Anne** suggested that Laura & Joanne prepare presentation to Board of Education to raise awareness of the position and the outcomes received. This may result in reallocation of SD funds.

**Mary-Anne** also suggested that Laura & Joanne work together to prepare a joint proposal to send with Joanne's for Community Link funding

**Donna** will take information on the fragile place Early Family Literacy Programs are in an effort to raise awareness as well as possible allocation of Chilliwack Learning Community Society funds. At this time, it is not known whether it is possible to use these funds directly for programs.

**Darby** will look at bringing representatives together to look at drawing up a collaborative plan as we need to start to look at different ways to raise funds, awareness and support for programs.

## **7. New Business**

- a) Task Group Updates – no reports given
- b) Young Parent Services – electronic minutes added

## **8. Community Coordinator Report**

- a) **Literacy Challenge**
  - i. was again a success with great coverage by the Chilliwack Times.
- b) **Food Matters Committee**
  - i. new committee meeting to look at food security issues in Chilliwack. If you would like to get involved, please contact Karin for info. Meet monthly.
- c) **Health Network (City of Chilliwack)**
  - i. I went to my first meeting (formally Mayors Committee on Health) and think that this will be a great place to network and gain support for EY health issues (pre/post natal programming, screening etc)


\* It is time for the 2009-10 final reports to be filed for those projects funded last year. Karin will send out template. *All reports are due May 15<sup>st</sup>.*

## **9. Adjournment**

**Next meeting:** Thursday May 06 1:00-3:00  
Thursday June 03 1:00-3:00

### Symbol key

- ◇ question from the table
- 🕒 task for a specific person
- ☑ approved item
- 📌 please note

 task for everyone



**School District #33**  
**(Chilliwack)**  
*Partners in Learning*