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Chilliwack Child and Youth Committee Early Years Sub-Committee



When: Thursday, October 07, 2010, 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Where: Chilliwack Community Services – 45938 Wellington Avenue

ATTENDANCE:

Barb Presseau	CCS – Childcare Resource and Referral	presseaub@comserv.bc.ca
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REGRETS:

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Co-Chairs: Sherry Sinclair

Recorder: Karin Rempel

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Agenda:

- a) As circulated

3. Approval of Minutes of September 09, 2010: approved as amended

4. Business Arising

- a) Celebration / Strategic Planning Day discussion
 - i. Paul Kershaw is available so the date has changed to Nov 25 12-3pm to accommodate his schedule. See attached invitation.
- b) CYC Early Years Community Coordinator Position Update
 - i. committee will meet next week to create posting and process
- c) Environmental Scan – Karin and Pauline
 - i. Ministry of Sport & Leisure, Ministry of Health and MCFD is doing an environmental scan as they look at how Fraser Health delivers programs/services in our community under the new model
 - ii. This scan is looking at programs and services that target at risk pregnant and new mothers

- d) Mid Year Updates
 - i. Karin will send out request for updates
 - ii. Completed updates sent to Karin by Oct 28

5. New Business – None at this time

6. Task Group Reports (prioritize): if available, please offer an electronic copy for the minutes

- a) **Child Care Task Group / Healthy Kids Task Group / Social Marketing Task Group:**
 - i. Karin reported that these 3 task groups have decided to work together to update the current Developmental Guide (funding will be sought again from the Chilliwack Children’s Foundation) as well as develop a set of cards for parents in an effort to address the current EDI vulnerability scores.
 - ii. It was felt that many parents might not know what they can do everyday to support their child’s healthy development. SD#33 (curriculum department) will pay for the printing of the cards.
 - iii. The Child Development Centre (Kiran) reported that while universal screening is not happening in our community on a large scale, the Integrated Screening Group continues to provide screening/coordination to all referrals received. This model provides 1 point of entry to lesson the confusion for parents and caregivers. Referrals can be received from families as well as from service providers. Please find attached the terms of reference as well as referral process for the Integrated Screening Process.
- b) **Finance Task Group** – will meet on October 20, 2010
- c) **Gateway Steering** – nothing to report
- d) **Mapping** – nothing to report
- e) **Membership and Orientation** – Dan Bibby to have his orientation. Karin will update Core members list and members at large list at attach to minutes
- f) **Mobilization & Social Marketing** – November 20 National Child’s Day. more details to come
- g) **Strategic Plan Development** – Update
- h) **Terms of Reference** – nothing to report
- i) **Young Parent Services** – Christine continues to work on calendar to be distributed to service providers & families. Task Group will reconvene soon

7. Community Coordinator Report – highlights . . . Karin Rempel

- a) The Chilliwack Child & Youth Committee has adopted a definition of at risk or vulnerable children and youth.

Definition of At Risk Children and Youth *CYC Terms of Reference, page 4*

The Chilliwack Child and Youth Committee defines the term ‘At Risk’ or ‘Vulnerable’ children and youth as young people who do not have their basic and/or universal needs met and their healthy development and well-being is affected. The term includes those children and youth identified as having learning challenges, have witnessed or experienced abuse or live in a situation affected by underlying social, psychological, developmental and/or emotional issues and are more likely to participate in unhealthy activities.

Basic needs include: food, clothing and shelter; social, emotional and physical safety; and health.

Universal needs include: attachment and belonging; competence based skill; ability to make wise choices; knowledge of and ability to participate in the broader community.

Risky behaviours include: early sexual activity, gang affiliation, transience, criminal behaviour, and drug and alcohol use.

- b) Many upcoming workshops & events
HOW TO GROW A CHILD'S BRAIN - November 4 7pm – Community workshop (CCRR)
\$5 GW Graham, no RSVP required

NATIONAL CHILD DAY – November 20, events to run throughout the month

Kids & Cake in the Council Chamber – Nov 15 at 2:15

FREE Concert at the Library – November 20 at 2pm

Townie skate at Prospera Centre – November 20 at 1pm

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION - November 25

- c) Day at the Income Assistance & Housing office: Karin & Tammy spent part of the day at the Income Assistance office on cheque issue day. This was very exciting as we were able to give information to many families who are not accessing any community supports. see attached report. The plan is to attend 1 cheque issue day each month (probably Thursdays)
- d) 2009-10 EDI Community Summary is now available from HELP
<http://www.earlylearning.ubc.ca/wp-uploads/web.help.ubc.ca/2010/09/SD-33-CommunitySummary-2010.pdf>
more information will be given at the Community Celebration in November

8. Updates – please offer an electronic copy to be added to the minutes

9. Adjournment –

10. Meeting Dates: Nov 25 Community Celebrations

Dec 2 (12noon at Rendezvous Restaurant)


Jan 6 – 1-3pm at CCS Board Room

Feb 3 – 1-3 pm at CCS Board Room

Mar 3 1-3pm at CCS Board Room

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 task for everyone



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