



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



When: Thursday, April 7, 2011, 1:00 to 3:00pm

Where: Chilliwack Community Services – 45938 Wellington Avenue

**Attendance** -Sherry Sinclair, Sheri Josephson, Trish Ackland, Pauline Pigeau, Darby Wilkinson, Sandy Seib, Dan Bibby, Karin Rempel, Kiran Sidhu, Elaine Jackson, Windy Solla

### 1. Welcome & Intros

### 2. Agenda

3. **Approval of the Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> minutes** - approved as circulated

4. Joy circulated Community Co-ord. Act report with March minutes

### Task Group Updates

- Child Care- no update
- Finance- on agenda
- Gateway Steering - Feb 2010 last meeting - stagnated - Pulled group together today - 16 in attendance. Meeting went well. MCFD, FHA, CCS, UFV, FVCDC - Intent to move steering committee forward. Orientation to history & current. Used FVCDC as example of integrated programming. Next meeting set for May 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. Dan & Darby have been conversing about potential for Gateway outreach services where families are and need the support. MCFD proposing 3 office spaces in room 104 for community professionals, including MCFD on site. Presence & private meeting space (Dr Playdel-Pierce, Nurse Practitioner etc.) Room 102 converted to Family Resource Room to engage families on site. Gateway is moving quickly in growth. Trish will be on site summer 2011 "Infant Mental Health" assessment (like therapy preschool) Changes at Central - needs additional classroom space with intent of protecting Gateway.
- Healthy Kids - no report
- Mapping - no report
- Social Marketing - no report
- Strat Plan - re-org; update information; re-issue
- Terms of reference - no report
- Transition 6-9 - no group formulated - sitting with CYC Middle Years

- YPP - Trish - have been meeting looking at presenting to design group on options for model moving forward. Dan extended an invitation to Karin Rempel to attend meeting on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Will send time.
5. Like the idea & guest speaker etc. Need to get a wider audience. Sherry has invited Dave Pack as keynote. Plan - pull together a committee plan for 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in November at city Hall. Plan for recognition of programs happening. Sherry & Kiran set meeting. Send invitations.
  6. Joy absent - been in position since late October. Dan in process of renewing contract - looking for feedback for Joy's professional development. Darby- "is the job description being reviewed?" Dan- "broad description, needs to be directed from table. Darby- "annual feedback - draft feedback form where we review work plans. Future based on table feedback." Karen felt "this would be very helpful." Kiran- "focus more on strategic goals" Dan- "help defer some community flack."
  7. Co-Chair Shuffle - Dan proposing coordinated be co-chair. Positions chair/coordinator to work with table members. (needs to be changed in CYC Terms of Reference)
    - Dan does not believe he should be co-chairing.
    - Table replacement for Sherry. History had MCFD as co-chair to ensure MCFD time.
    - 40-50 hours/year to pay for minute taker. Brings stability to the table & deals with structural support.
    - Karen- suggests MCFD stays involved as part of the leadership team.
    - Sherry- need to appoint new co-chair
    - Darby- I'm stepping down as chair as Finance Task Group. Prepared to step back by end of April.
    - Time commitment- Joy take on admin parts-bulk of the work
    - Prepare minutes to reflect need to make decision for end of month
    - May 5<sup>th</sup> Sherry's last meeting as co-chair.

#### Sheri J - Success Story

Home Depot generously donated \$5000 to the YMCA's Annual Campaign, announced at the Grand Opening. 4 youth from the YMCA's Alternative Suspension Program spoke at the event, telling their story of how the Y has helped them. They did an excellent job, received handshakes & lots of positive feedback. One of the youth who spoke was asked to apply for a position to work at Home Depot.

Home Depot will be an excellent addition to our community as they are very supportive.

## 8. Fiscal Planning

106,000	MCFD
2,405	From 2007/08
<u>30,769</u>	Success by Six
<u>\$139,174</u>	

25,920	Community Care Co-ord Wage
6,000	Community Care Co-ord Expenses
2,405	EY's Committee Expenses
40,000	Gateway (to keep it stabilized)
20,000	YPP Restricted
<u>23,814</u>	MCFD Restricted EY's
118,139	
<u>-139,174</u>	
<u>\$21,035</u>	

## 9. Updates

Sardis Doorway - Karin

- 9 weeks left
- Full - 59 preschoolers 36 families

CDC

- Therapeutic Kindergarten in Abbotsford -would love to have here
- Conference April 15-16 Keynotes from Gordon Neufeld & training workshops

Trish

- Changes
- Piloting a new program to get children back into their child care program (4 children) (Complex kids-how can we help them)
- Assessment
- 5 year olds-put them through screening
- If mental health-refer them to mental health

Families First

- Next week with Spring Session until June
- Summer we are developing a 5 week program (MCFD children priority) Outdoors Program focussed work with families - looking to engage with children (trying to get leadership students to help) - Role playing-Going to Cultus Lake last week - learn how to use the bus-Direct Hands On

## Public Health

- Pre-Natal Program continuing
- June-Peri-natal Depression
- Expanding post-natal to 2 years
- Focus on beginning & moving along with them

## Aboriginal Supported Child Development (ASCD)


- AIDP Infant Development coordinating Program
- Speech
- CDC helping
  
- Better Beginnings - 180 children came through program
- PPYOW - 100 connected with
- Sardis Family Place - 70
- Broadway - 122
- Greendale - 55
- Yarrow

## Book Bins

- Look at a plan to move ahead & put together a plan. Project is important to Early Years

### Symbol key

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

 task for everyone

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