

Chilliwack Child and Youth Committee

Minutes: April 6, 2010

Chilliwack School District Board Room

Co-chairs: John Stellingwerff, Shari West

Recorder: Duncan MacDonald

Presentation: Aboriginal Education , Brenda Pointe, Nerine Graham

Discussion included:

- Aboriginal Education Advisory committee of the Chilliwack Board of Education with representatives from the aboriginal community and CSD .
 - The First Nations Local Education agreement
 - The Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement
 - Nerine can be contacted at Nerine_Graham@sd33.bc.ca (phone 604-701-6175), information can be added to their website.
 - Brenda and Nerine reported that aboriginal students are becoming more comfortable with who they are
 - They also highlighted Michael Audet's support of Aboriginal Education in Chilliwack
- 1) **Abuse response protocol:** discussion centred on having a more formal signing process. Marianne suggesting having it during the Consultation day. A recommendation was made to putting it back to the working group for consultation. John will work on adding the RCMP to the protocol.
 - 2) **Chilliwack Early Years Central Screening committee:** Kiran described the development of a committee which is will screen referrals for children aged 0 to 6, who are experiencing social, emotional and development problems. The committee is a partnership between: CDC, Dr. Pleydel Pierce, CYMH- MCFD, Stolo Nation Health, CYSN- MCFD and others.

There was also discussion about having a similar process for other age groups. A plan was made to ask Rob Lees (Note: Rob has agreed to do this) or Mark Littlefield to facilitate a discussion about this during our next meeting.

There was discussion about the Community Coordinator position which was part of the action plan.

- 3) **ABC consultation planning** update. Next meeting for the committee scheduled for April 12th. Focus of meeting will be providing accountability
- 4) Discussion regarding the definition of **At-risk and vulnerable youth**. Shari will make up a draft and send it out.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10AM

Next Meeting : May 4. 2010 , 9AM , Chilliwack School District Board room.