

Chilliwack Child and Youth Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 7th, 2011

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

CYC Chair: John Stellingwerff

Recorder: Julie Unger

Those Present:

John Stellingwerff – Family Services, Chilliwack Community Services

Julie Unger – Chilliwack Society for Community Living

Scott Street – Chilliwack Ministerial

Shari West – YMCA

Bobbi Jacob – Ann Davis Transition Society

Lindsay Gallagher – Chilliwack Addiction and Prevention Services

Joy Nolette – Early Years Coordinator

Jody Elliot – Child Development Centre

Todd Lueck – City Life Church, Pastor

Dan Bibby – MCFD Operations Manager

Susan Edgecombe – Chilliwack School District

Regrets:

Debbie Denault -

Kiran Sidhu –

1. **Welcome & Introductions:**

2. **Review Agenda:**

3. **Review of Minutes from May 3rd, 2011**

3.1 Community Suicide Prevention Document: Follow up today with Signatures ; John clarified that this has been approved previously by the CYC – the process now is for agencies to “sign on” to the document supporting the protocol – thereby committing to the training of our line staff in carrying out the protocol. Susan invited CYC agency reps to participate in the School District’s Fall Training; this could facilitate those attendees to in turn train their agency’s staff team.

Action:

- ***CYC requests that the Clinical Sub-Committee arrange training/orientation regarding this document in the fall.***

3.2 CYC Website Update: Dan Bibby provided an update – received a quote back from one; we are seeking a couple of other quotes. The Steering Group met and responded to a questionnaire.

Action:

- ***September Agenda to include a presentation from the selected firm.***

3.3 CYC Logo Development: Discussion regarding what criteria to present to children/youth for the logo submissions – “healthy”, “community”. Are we presenting to children and youth? Or do we want to target agencies & adults (in terms of participation in the committee activities). The committee decided that we still want youth to design the logo.

Action:

- **Susan will ensure the competition happens within the schools, beginning in September.**
- **Dan Bibby has offered a \$300.00 Gift Certificate sponsored by MCFD**

3.4 McCreary Centre Adolescent Health Survey report: School District #33 is one of only a few School Districts that does not participate in the McCreary Centre Study. John will write the letter on behalf of the CYC; and address the letter to both the Superintendent and the School Board. Dan added that Rob Lees has offered some input of how to proceed – hosting an information meeting and inviting the Board and Superintendent – sharing info about what information the report is generating and how that information is used in directing resources within communities and the province. Also recommended that we (CYC) ask to have time on a School Board Meeting Agenda – to present about the Survey & Report and lend support to having Chilliwack participate in the Survey.

Action:

- **John Stellingwerff will follow up with Rob Lees in regards to Rob's contact at McCreary, and to develop some strategies in regards to promoting participation.**

4. ABC Conference Review –

The working group will be meeting on June 14th, 2011 to review the event and begin planning for next year. John provided a quote from Rob Lees' email indicating the workshops were a success, and the consultation piece went well. John is recommending that the working group reevaluate the conference and consultation to ensure the format was workable. John solicited feedback from committee members in regards to their experience at the conference – John will take the information to the working group as they evaluate the conference and process. Dan asked if the CYC could recognize the Steering Group for their work on the Conference. Dan will get some gift certificates that he could give them at their meeting on the 14th of June. John will express words of appreciation from the Committee. A card was circulated for committee members to sign.

5. Choose New Co-Chairs for the committee

John stated that he has spoken with Tim Bohr and he would be willing in the future – but not for this year. Dan Bibby offered to Co-Chair; Susan Edgcombe also offered.

Decision:

- **Dan Bibby will be the co-Chair for Two Years (Sept. 2011 to June 2013)** Dan will also be bringing one of his Admin Team members to take minutes.
- **Susan Edgcombe will be the co-Chair from Sept. 2011 to June 2012**
- **Tim Bohr will replace Susan beginning in September 2012**

6. Early Years Coordinator Report: Joy Nolette

Joy reported that the City of Chilliwack is looking for a way to support families in healthy living. Joy had Ron Plowright invited to the meeting – and presented his healthy living strategies around the community. The Mayor's committee for Health will have a booth in the park "Party in the Park" generating ideas and information from the community.

7. Additions:

Bobbi indicated she had sent a note to CYC members about a Human Trafficking Seminar – Chilliwack Central Community Church. This is only peripherally around children – but Bobbi indicated that they do a lot of work with women about pattern changing and parenting which ultimately impacts their children

and relationships. Bobbi added that their Men's Group really supports families as well. There are quite a lot of services that are offered through Ann Davis that are beneficial to families and ultimately the community.

Jody Elliot – CDC - 2nd Annual Helping Kids Shine – Walk, Run, and Roll at Sardis Secondary Track – concert and fun –Saturday, June 25th, 2011 – Fundraiser for the Child Development Centre.

Shari West – YMCA's National Healthy Kids' Day – was held this past Saturday, June 4th, 2011. This free event was a great day – with vegetarian chili served for lunch.

Alternative Suspension Program – update since last March almost 200 students through the program. Nine of the top participants will be participating in an exchange to Moncton, New Brunswick - Canada Youth Exchange; the students from Moncton will be coming to Chilliwack in July of this year. Fund raising events for the youth are underway.

Susan Edgecombe – Train the Trainer for Level 2 Threat Assessment is taking place this summer. Yesterday Susan found out that two RCMP officers will be attending the training as well.

Dan Bibby – The Young Parent Program is under review right now; several partners involved in a steering group. Looking at how to remobilize the service; what does our community need, what can we afford; looking at day care enhancements. Triple –P meeting on Friday – Community Orientation on Friday June 10th – looking at where to move with this in the Upper Fraser Region.

Presentation in regards to Meth Labs and implications on Child Safety; the environmental impacts and a case last week where a little baby had some serious complications from crawling around on the carpet of a home where Meth was made.

8. Next Meeting – CYC Meeting – September 13th, 2011

i. Verge Silvera - Presentation

9. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.