



April 3, 2018

Neighbourhood Learning Centre; Alumni Hall

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1. Welcome and Introductions.
2. Review of March Minutes.
3. Brain Injury Society – Carol Paetkau
 Carol gave an informative presentation on what is and acquired brain injury and its impacts. She shared symptoms of concussion. Cattonline.com/concussions a concussion awareness tool. Brain injury is the leading cause of death and disability in children. The Fraser Valley Brain Injury Society offers a variety of supports for those with brain injury and groups for caregivers. Supports are both referred and self-referred. www.fvbia.org

4. Agency Updates

Sardis Library – Book sales taking place April 21. Leftovers from the sale will go to elementary schools.

School District #33 – Student Learning and Services will be under 1 umbrella and site working collaboratively. Coordination around reconfiguration continues.

CSCL – Hockey game fund raiser raised \$21,000

BC Responsible Gambling – Story book initiative for kids aged 5-6; mainstream and Indigenous school based curriculum.

NLC – Open during Spring Break. More people just wandering in off the streets. Gearing up for next year.

Chilliwack Division – Wrapping up Mini-med Schools. Expanded into the Canyon. Reminder of the Youth Health Centre Fundraiser April 18.

YMCA – New cohort of youth works begins April 30.

Cyrus Centre – Warming Centre now closed. Lot's of older youth/young adults. Been ha tough time for some transitioning back serving up to age 18.

RCMP – offering mentorship in the Learning 2 Lead program.

CCS Youth Services - Signing contract for Homeless Outreach program. Youth Drop-in name soon to be announced.

Youth Unlimited – Phase 1 of fundraising complete. Will be going to Alabama to purchase fire truck for outreach program.

Bowls of Hope – reminder of May 4 fundraising dinner.

Big Brothers Big Sisters – Bowl for Kids Sake a big success. Gold tournament in both Chilliwack and Abbotsford in June.

5. Conversation on Chilliwack’s Children 2018

First CYC event held at the United Church in downtown Chilliwack. The theme is around caring for the caregiver and discovering what “fuels your fire” or passion for the work you do.

6. Sub-Committee Profile – Primary Prevention

CHC has a task group focussing on mental health awareness. Fraser Health has an initiative around Trauma Informed Communities. The committee has taken interest in the work of Marshall Rosenberg around “Compassionate Communication” (also known as non-violent communication). June 14 will be hosting a workshop at the NLC. Most of us have been trained to speak violently – even praise can be a method of gaining control.

7. Metis Nation – Nikki Dionne

Metis Nation BC offering a fully funded Community Support Worker diploma program in partnership with UFV. Focussing on the vulnerable and underemployed population. To qualify must identify as Metis and be unemployed or on disability. Can spend the first semester upgrading. Criminal record check may effect practicum. 90,000 Metis in BC; students at UFV Chilliwack identify as Metis. The program runs June 2018 to December 2019. The cohort consists of 18 sisters. The certificate program will provide a number of career opportunities. Some classes do carry forward to other institutions all transfer to UFV.

8. Sub-Committee Reports

Early Years -Currently updating Childhood Development Guide. Continuing with “Let’s Play” events. Participating in regional parenting initiative looking at how parenting classes are being offered.

Youth Matters – reviewing the Strat plan and looking at how to match with CYC Strat plan.

Youth to Adult Transitions – Did not meet in March



SEACAT – Screening of “Over 18” on March 14 was well attended. Good discussion followed.

Middle Years – Will focus on parent education. Considering creating a version of the development guide similar to the one for early childhood.

Clinical – Did not meet.

9. Youth Hub Drop in

Identified lack of opportunity for vulnerable youth. Completed an inventory of the various surveys; 3 contracts to start identifying a youth strategy for Chilliwack. City has asked for a proposal on a youth commission for future planning around youth.

10. Trending Topic

Discussion around SOGI 123

Next meeting May 1, 2018