



YOUTH MATTERS

A subcommittee of the Chilliwack Child and Youth Committee Meeting Minutes (February 22, 2018) – 9:00-10:30am

Co-Chairs: Kate Healey (CCS) and Trevor Wiens (Cyrus Centre)

Recorder: Trevor Wiens

Present: Kate Healey, Trevor Wiens (Shalene), Donna Simon, Mike (Youth Works), Aileen Matthews,

Regrets: Whitney Sundman, Kristy Jones

Welcome & Introductions

- Introductions
- Reviewed minutes.
- Reviewed action items.

Updates

- VOYCE (Donna Simon)
 - Go Fund Me account created to help raise money for the alternative grad event: <https://www.gofundme.com/chilliwack-voyce-inclusive-alt-prom>
 - The Voyce is seeking causes they can be involved with.
- CYC (Kate)
 - Strategic plan has been approved.
 - The Conversation is moving forward (April 27). The event will be directed towards supporting service providers.
- SECAT (Kate)
 - SECAT is hosting a movie night: Over 18. (March 14 at NLC at 6pm). The movie night includes a panel discussion. Event directed at youth and families.
 - Sexual Exploitation awareness week in March.
 - Creating a document to help service providers with the process of how to support and navigate with a youth who has disclosed a sexual assault.
- Youth Hub (Kate)
 - Completing research and reports to find out what is needed and what would be a fit for the Chilliwack context regarding youth centers.
 - A new Drop In pilot began February 1st at Mainstreet Church. It is a partnership between CCS, Cyrus Centre, and Mainstreet Church.
- **Service Integration: Agency Updates**
 - YMCA Youth Works – new program begins Monday. Still space available. Currently located on Yale Rd. beside GT Hiring.
 - CSCL - Successful Alumni Hockey Fundraiser held last week.. Transitions and PWD Workshop March 5. More information to come. April 18 at 6pm is transition fair “Life after high school” – open to all youth. Held at the NLC, Alumni Hall – food included.



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- BC Responsible and Problem Gambling has a new story book initiative/ presentation directed at children (5-6 years old).

New Business

- The Federation of BC Youth in Care Networks (FBCYICN, or the Fed) is a youth-driven, provincial, non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of young people in and from care in BC between the ages of 14 and 24.
 - The Fed offers once in a lifetime volunteer opportunities for youth, financial supports in the form of bursaries, 121 supports, access to youth retreats and more.
 - There is also financial support available from The Fed, expiring March 31, to put on an event for youth that is in line with the Truth and Reconciliation's Calls to Action.
 - Kate will be in contact with the Fed to hopefully put on an event during the first week of spring break.

ACTION: Trevor to communicate this event to the Opening Doors Task Group.

- Strategic Plan (tabled to next meeting so more can be in attendance)

ACTION: Review CYC's Strategic plan through a Youth Matters lens.

Next meeting: March 22, 2018

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