

SEACAT Minutes June 2018

In Attendance: Karen Steegstra (CYC), Tammy Webb (Ann Davis), Karen Slingerland (CSCL), Nadine Willis (Hope for the Nations/Youth Wellbeing Project), Janine Schaefer (Community Member), Brenda Calendino (SD33)

Regrets: Trevor Johnson (ReConnect), Melissa Johnson (Cyrus Centre), Cher Rampton (MCFD), Sita Merrifield (MCFD), Cara Godbehere (MCFD), Andrew Ming (Sto:lo), Joan Goosen (Pearl)

Carried Forward from Last Meeting:

- Group expressed interest in touring Pearl; could do between 9 and 10 a.m. or 4 and 5 p.m. on their working days
- Tammy will bring "Silent Witness" cards for formatting ideas for our promotional material

Pamphlets

- Janine created several resources we can use to promote our cause (Thanks Janine!)
- ACTION ITEM-committee members will review list of resources she's compiled and provide feedback about which community services are most valuable to have on the pamphlet

Ideas for Potential Promotional Activities

- Idea to have mural somewhere in town with info re: where to call/go if being exploited-Karen Steegstra reports that the City of Chilliwack has certain bylaws if we want to post on their property. Idea to do hanging signs as they would be more economical and could be moved around for maximum exposure
- ACTION ITEM-SEACAT members to review both of the following program overviews to gauge if they are too alike to do both or if it would be feasible to run both at different times
 - It Can Happen to Anyone-presentation on exploitation by Diane Sowden, founder of Children of the Street Society. Karen Steegstra will look into the length and Brenda C. will see how that might fit into a Pro-D Day <http://www.childrenofthestreet.com/itcha>
 - Little Warriors -Karen Steegstra looked into this and there is a \$90 honorarium they request; we likely are able to provide that. <http://littlewarriors.ca/prevention/workshop/>
- ACTION ITEM-Karen Steegstra will talk to CYC website designer to inquire about adding an extra tab for SEACAT info; we would include aforementioned resources that Janine compiled, Children of the Street toolkits for parents and service providers, and other relevant links. This would provide our community members an easy access point for exploitation information

Miscellaneous

- Brenda C. shared about upcoming events with potential for SEACAT representation in October
 - October afternoon TBD-Maple Batalia's friends present on her story; opportunity to provide info and field questions
 - Oct. 25 from 3:30 to 5:30-safe schools teams gather to review protocols; hope is to have committees and agencies from around Chilliwack come together to provide resources to teachers and support workers.

- There is an SEY worker at Xyolhemeylh named Lynne Barisoff; hopes to get her involved in our committee or at least find out how to, and who can, access her services

Next Meeting: September 18 at The Village (Youth Services)