



June 2, 2020

Via ZOOM

Chair: Dan Bibby & Kate Healey

Recorder: Annette Williams

Present:

Arlene Doyle	CCS	doylea@comserv.bc.ca
Carol Marleau	City of Chilliwack	marleau@chilliwack.com
Crystal Salter	Fraser Health	Crystal.salter@fraserhealth.ca
Dan Bibby	MCFD	Daniel.Bibby@gov.bc.ca
Danielle Cliburn	PCRS	dcliburn@PCRS.ca
Danielle Edmondson	FVDC	dedmondson@fvdc.org
David Manuel	SD#33	David_Manuel@sd33.bc.ca
Diane Braun	District Parent Advisory Council	dpac@sd33.bc.ca
Diane Janzen	CCS	janzend@comserv.bc.ca
Donna Simon	BC Responsible Gambling	donnassolutions2016@gmail.com
Heather Cuff	CCS	cuffh@comserv.bc.ca
Helen Edwards	CCS	edwardsh@comserv.bc.ca
Hunter Forseth	CCS	forsethh@comserv.bc.ca
Jannette Loosdrecht	City Live: Afternoon Adventures	jannette@citylifecentre.ca
Julie Nickel	CCS	nickeli@comserv.bc.ca
Kate Healey	CCS Youth Services	healeyk@comserv.bc.ca
Kelly Guiaya	UFV	Kelly.guiaya@ufv.ca
Ken Neufeld	Youth Unlimited	ken@youthunlimited.com
Michael Suedfeld	Stó:lō Nation	Michael.suedfeld@stolonation.bc.ca
Michelle Price	CCS Immigrant Services	pricem@comserv.bc.ca
Natalie Karam	CSCL	natalie.karam@cscl.org
Rob Lees	CYMH	Robert.Lees@gov.bc.ca
Sukaina Rehmtulla	CCS	rehmtullas@comserv.bc.ca
Tara Cummings	YMCA Volunteer	taracummings.chwk@gmail.com
Tammy Webb	Ann Davis Transition Society	twebb@anndavis.org
Vanessa Corke	CCS	corkev@comserv.bc.ca
Wendy Bruzzese	FVDC	wbruzzese@fvdc.org
Willow Reichelt	School Board	Willow_reichelt@sd33.bc.ca
Yves Trudel	United Way of the Lower Mainland	yvest@uwlm.ca

Regrets:

Amanda MacPherson	Restorative Justice	executivedirector@restoringjustice.ca
Ann Hagel	FVACFSS	Ann.hagel@gov.bc.ca
Avery Haynes	Intern, CYHC	
Cathy LaHaise	Highroad Academy	CLaHaise@highroadacademy.com
Colby Stinson	Community Living BC	Colby.Stinson@gov.bc.ca
Cynthia Parasiliti	YMCA	cindy.parasiliti@gv.ymca.ca
Debra Onucki	CCS	onuckid@comserv.bc.ca
Debbie Denault	CLS	debbied@chilliwacklearning.com
Doris Marko	MSDPR	Doris.Marko@gov.bc.ca
Duncan MacDonald	CYMH	Duncan.MacDonald@gov.bc.ca
Edie Karacsonyi	MCFD - intern	
Jacqueline Luna	CCS	lunaj@comserv.bc.ca
Jaden Courtney	RCMP	jaden.courtney@rcmp-grc.gc.ca
Jocelyn Thomas	Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Fraser Valley	jocelyn.thomas@bigbrothersbigsisters.ca
Jodi Higgs	PCRS	jhiggs@pcrs.ca
Julianna Tuioti	Chilliwack Community Services	tuiotij@comserv.bc.ca
Jutta Wykpis	PCRS	Jwykpis@pcrs.ca
Karen Steegstra	Fraser Health	karen.steegstra@fraserhealth.ca
Kris Potter	Ann Davis Transition Society	kpotter@anndavis.org
Kristin Hall	Wilma's Transition House	Kristin.hall@wilmasth.org
Mandy McMahan	MSA Society for Community Living	mandy.mcmahan@msasociety.com
Mark Klassen	NLC	Mark_klassen@sd33.bc.ca
Natasha Herrick	Fraser Valley Brain Injury Association	elliott.herrick@gmail.com
Nicci Hallberg	Fraser Health	Nicole.hallberg@fraserhealth.ca
Sabine Mendez	CHC	coordinator@healthierchilliwack.ca
Steven Esau	PCRS	sesua@pcrs.ca
Stuart Morris	Highroad Academy	smorris@highroadacademy.com
Sunita Lakhanpal	Sardis Library	sunita.lakhanpal@fvrl.bc.ca
Tracey Abrahamson	RCMP	Tracey.abrahamson@rcmp-grc.gc.ca
Tracey Bann	CYSN	Tracey.bann@gov.bc.ca
Trevor Weins	Cyrus Centre	trevor@cyruscentre.com

1. Welcome

2. Review Agenda & Approval of May Minutes – Approved

3. Presentation: Tenant Engagement Project, Jen Hawkins

See attached presentation.

The Housing Hub and Pathways project spun off of the project.

The recent homelessness count results are anticipated to be released in July.

The Housing Hub houses youth.

Paramount – 8 affordable housing units will be available for youth ages 19-24, for those who do not require support. The remainder 63 units will be for seniors. Tenants will be assessed as to their ability to live independently when they apply for units.

BC Housing just put out a call for community housing, the deadline is in September.

4. Presentation: Fraser Health COVID-19 Transition Plan Update, Crystal Salter

Fraser Health is transitioning from emergency response to long term planning and are looking at sustainability. In March and April Public Health deployed 45-55% of staff for contact management and follow up.

They are following up with high risk pregnant and parenting families and also immunizations. 1,300-2,000 grade 6 population immunizations that were missed due to school closures need to be caught up. The kids will be immunized in the health units. This coming fall's school-based immunization protocol is not yet known. A multi-purpose room is being used as a testing site. Fraser Health expects a high uptake of influenza immunizations. The more people who don't have influenza, the more people aren't in the hospital with influenza if a second wave of COVID occurs.

There are fewer COVID-19 cases right now, but as people's bubbles expand that may change. Most of the COVID cases now are associated with clusters. Kids are unlikely to spread. All child cases appear to have adult contact.

The clinic space and clinicians are cleaning and sanitizing. Nurses in clinics clean after every contact with clients. Chairs have been removed because there isn't the capacity to clean them after every client, but chairs are available by request, particularly for those with special needs.

Acute care has their own set of direction, but office settings will be following WorkSafeBC directions and government directives.

They're looking at how to provide services that allow for social distancing and anticipate this will be the approach for the next few years.

There has been a significant decline in child protection reports. Public Health is considering how we keep our vulnerable populations from being invisible during this time.

5. Presentation: Phasing Back Operations - Insights

MCFD, Dan Bibby

MCFD is following the BC Government & Dr. Henry's directions.

60 people work in the Chilliwack location. There are 8 in-office programs with phase-back plans, which depends on their group's requirement. They will be incorporating WorkSafeBC guidelines, MCFD facility guidelines and the MCFD Human Resources department's requirements. MCFD is working on what's best for the employees and the clients. They're considering one-way hallways and stairways, and leaving certain offices empty.

Much of MCFD business is contracted out. They're working with the businesses in their phase 2 and 3 plans. The overriding focus from government is to proceed slowly and methodically, gradually phasing back to the new normal by September, with a virtual component being present into the future.

School District, Dave Manuel

The Ministry of Education has posted the K-12 Restart Plan ([link](#)). There are 5 stages. Different districts throughout the province won't necessarily be at the same stage, it depends what's happening in their community.

Stage 1 was prior to spring break. Stage 5 occurred immediately after spring break. The Chilliwack School District recently shifted to stage 4, keeping in-class instruction minimal.

This past Monday the District moved into Stage 3, which means children in grades K-5 can come in 2-3 days per week (usually 2), for a total of 4 teach in-class days. Student attendance has been low. Many teachers have 1 day per week to support distance learning. Kids in grades

6-12 can attend one-day per week, typically those who are struggling with online work can schedule to meet with the teacher for 1-1 face-to-face support. There is support for children with disabilities / diverse abilities.

Stage 3 is helping to prepare for September, working through processes and protocols.

The District is also supporting the needs of the teacher, for instance they might not be in school as much if their children don't have care or aren't themselves in school.

In buildings there's signage about room capacities, hallway flow, etc. After 4 weeks of this system it will be evaluated for bugs.

In September it's likely they will be at Stage 2 or Stage 3, decision to be made based on guidance from the Public Health Authority.

More than 800 laptops were given to children who needed access to continue learning.

Agencies are being invited to work with the schools. Nursing support has been providing assistance with students with disabilities / diverse abilities. Agencies are invited to connect with the individual school principals to discuss their involvement.

The schools are Controlled Environments. They do daily checks on students, have isolation rooms for those who may exhibit COVID symptoms (not diagnosing them). Custodians are following provincial guidelines – high touch surface cleaning twice a day, once a day intensive cleaning of active areas. Interactions between people are limited. There are signs on room designating the number of people who can use at one time and movement within the buildings are localized. There are special protocols for kids with special needs and physical needs.

Children don't transmit or display COVID-19 symptoms the same way adults do. Realizing that it's difficult to manage a 6-foot distance between children, the focus is on avoiding contact.

Hand washing is expected when children arrive at school and move around the building.

Non-medical masks for support staff are not recommended by Public Health Authority since the schools are a Controlled Environment. If any staff or students choose to wear a non-medical mask they are to be treated with respect.

Youth Health Centre, Rob Lees

Some face-to-face counseling restarted about two weeks ago, at the NLC only, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The numbers are slowly building.

Hands are to be washed upon entering, the waiting area is separate, and face masks and gloves are available for people who would like them. After counseling sessions the space and chair back in the meeting where it occurred is sanitized. There's 6 feet between counselor and counselee. There are safety and cleanliness protocols at the NLC.

Prior to COVID the Youth Health Centre was interested in developing an online counseling process and received training about online therapy. It is hoped that online counseling will continue to be utilized by clients.

Most of the interns are interested in being in-person at the NLC site. The bull pen has been moved to be online via ZOOM, 1:00-7:00pm. People go off for their sessions, then sign into the ZOOM room for their debrief.

Last week 50 youth were seen, 46 online and 4 in person. Of the 46, 42 were for counseling and 4 were medical appointments. The medical portion is slow to grow right now.

Chilliwack Society for Community Living, Natalie Karam

Their services have continued throughout COVID, except for group programs. One-to-one services for children and youth with special needs is offered instead. They are connecting

actively with the families and check in with how the families are coping. They support the children and youth for a couple hours each week, 40 clients per week.

Only child & youth services staff and the children/youth are permitted in the building; families do not enter. Janitorial cleaning occurs twice a week. Masks are not mandatory.

They have updated their policies, created and updated a COVID exposure control plan. The PIT team meets every other week discussing COVID response. They have monthly meetings with all managers about COVID and the services the organization offers. The Executive Director has been hosting Town Hall meetings with front line staff and gave daily updates in March and April about new directives, new processes in the organization, etc. PPE is the biggest topic.

A PPE storage room has been created, and there are PPE officers. PPE items are requested and given out from the room (bleach, gloves, masks, booties).

Their quarterly newsletter was all about COVID. They already had training/courses available online, so expanded what they offered to include COVID related material.

Summer 'Scapes daycamp for children aged 6-12 is usually open to everyone, but this year will be for children and youth with special needs only to keep participation level manageable.

6. Break

7. Presentation: YAC Year-End Report, Brittany Wheaton & YAC Reps

See the [video](#) created by the committee members.

There are 12 youth on this year's committee, from various high schools. Some of the activities included: New Matrix Meal group experience; community conversation of sexual exploitation; social media campaign for social distancing; virtual mental health week; participation in the Coldest Night of the Year, created approachable YAC social presence, attended inclusive community events/priorities.

There have been weekly hour-long committee ZOOM meetings since March, bi-weekly committee mental health check-ins, and an online YAC presence.

Some people in the community have commented that the committee should be more diverse. In reality the group is actually diverse, and it's pertinent to remember that diversity is not necessarily obviously visible.

3 youth from grades 11 and 12 will be coming back next year. The others will be creating succession plans for new participants.

They have had great support from agencies.

8. Update: Tamarack Institute, Communities Building Youth Futures Initiative – not covered

9. Other updates submitted in writing during/after the meeting

United Way of the Lower Mainland:

There are very few applications from the Fraser Valley for the United Way's COVID-19 Emergency Community Support Fund dollars, which have food security and mental health focuses. Click [here](#) for info or to apply.

UFV School of Social Work and Human Services:

I would like the members of the Chilliwack CYC committee to be aware that the UFV School of Social Work and Human Services is planning to move forward with practicum placements for our Social Service Diploma students for the Fall 2020 Semester. The Social Service Diploma Practicum is 200 hours and runs the length of the semester which is about 13-15 weeks. It is intended for students to be in placement 2 days per week, with 13-15 hours per week.

I am looking for placement options for Social Service Diploma students for the Fall 2020 Semester, September-December. I am reaching out to agencies to inquire about capacity and interest in hosting students given the limitations and challenges posed by COVID-19. I would love to chat with interested agencies about practicum opportunities within your various programs and hear about what you think a placement could look like in terms of on site and/or remote learning opportunities? What types of health and safety protocols do you have in place? I would be happy to chat with you more over the phone, virtual meeting, or continue to share information via email, whatever you prefer. If there are any agencies interested in having a practicum student or want to talk more about it please contact me at kelly.guiaya@ufv.ca.

Donna Simon:

I wanted to share that I have been hosting a virtual viewing of Screenagers Second Chapter - Uncovering Skills for Stress, followed by a virtual interactive panel which includes professionals and a youth with lived experience. The movie screening has been extended until June 6th at midnight and a recorded session of the panel can be viewed until June 11th. The attached poster has the registrations links for both the movie and panel.

Please distribute widely.

Sardis Library:

All our libraries will be open for returns starting June 1 and we are extremely busy bagging all the holds for curbside pickup. Here is the [announcement](#) about picking up holds and dropping off items. The photo below only shows half of the holds bagged and every day we get 30-40 boxes of holds to process.

Next meeting: September 8, 2020 at 9:00am
Location Neighbourhood Learning Centre