

CYC Monthly Meeting, via Zoom
February 2, 2021 from 9:00 am – 11:00 am

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Recorder: Annette Williams

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Guests: Andrew Ardell; Brenda Point; Brittany Wheaton; Chilliwack Crime Prevention; Ethie Misner; Hunter Forseth; Janice Cross; Jessica Tranquada; Jocalyn Kulba; Karen Singerland; Laura Scolar; Lisa Wallace; Mallory Tomlinson; Mark Klassen; Scott Wallace

1. Welcome and Land Acknowledgement: Antonia Victor

2. Review and Approval Agenda – Approval of the agenda was motioned by Natalie Karam and seconded by Diane Braun. Motion carried.

3. Approval of January 12, 2021 Minutes – Approval of the minutes was motioned by Willow Reichelt and seconded by Wendy Bruzzese. Motion carried.

4. Presentation: Pink Shirt Day

a. School District #33, Family of Schools – Lisa Wallace, Scott Wallace, Carol Petek, Shelley Wojcik, Mace MacGowan, Brenda Calendino and Brenda Point

For Remembrance Day there was a virtual assembly of K-12 students, which was a wonderful experience; the Pink Shirt Day assembly will be done similarly. Some of the focuses will be to acknowledge themes of togetherness, belonging and inclusion and to reinforce that those themes are not important only on February 24th but all the time. Chilliwack senior and

elementary schools will participate together. A logo incorporating the symbol of each participating school has been created with the saying “Together We Belong”.



Each school will define 13 words that will be woven throughout the assembly. Elementary Schools have Buddy Benches, each school will share how they use it.

A dance created locally in the schools will be part of the assembly and

each school will contribute to it. A film and television class recorded and edited the dance.

Tutorials were recorded for classes to use. The song is Born This Way by Lady Gaga. The video may be available to families of kids who attend the schools but for privacy reasons it will not be shared widely in the community.

The Youth Mental Health Summit has changed from a weekly summit to a monthly video which is sent out to staff to be played during flex blocks. The videos are from students for students and cover topics such as depression, body dysmorphia and relationships. In addition to the school-wide assembly there will be a video, starring a mental health police officer, played over a 24-hour period. covered in the monthly videos.

Acknowledgements and welcomes from Sto:lo Nation are included in the videos. Together We Belong is an important theme. For example, ribbon skirts have been a topic, particularly since a girl was told they weren’t appropriate school wear. It is being reinforced that they are appropriate and we all belong.

b. **Chilliwack Pride Society** – Mallory Tomlinson

Presentation pdf to be sent separately.

At their first Pride event in 2019 more than 800 people attended.

chilliwackpride.com has t-shirts, masks, stickers and other items available for sale. Contact Mallory at jmmltom@telus.net if you have questions or would like to refer someone.

c. **Chilliwack Society for Community Living** – Natalie Karam, Aileen Mathews and Elizabeth MacPhee

Presentation pdf to be sent separately.

5. Subcommittee Reports

Early Years – The first planning meeting was held for the Early Years Development Instrument (EDI) results forum. HELP has been contacted to make a date selection, more information to come.

Middle Years – Kate Healey is currently chairing, looking for someone else to chair. The next meeting is February 11th from 9:00-10:00 via Zoom. The age range of focus is 6-12. The committee is creating a strategic plan using information from the MDI. Contact Kate to join.

Youth Matters – The committee is seeking co-chair to join Tara Cummings. They’re looking for direction from Chilliwack and area youth (ages 13-29) as to what will benefit them the most in the way of health, education, and activities. Please spread the survey link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K3Q8L6P>.

SEACAT is doing presentations at group homes about sexual exploitation awareness and warning signs, and also presentations to Chilliwack Senior Secondary students. The Youth Action Committee

is also doing presentations on topics such as mental health and [period poverty](#), and involved in letter writing work.

Primary Prevention – Laura Scouler talked at this CYC meeting about Childproofing Porn and Horton Hears a Who. Bill S203 for ChildProofing Porn is in it's second reading the Senate. Senator Julie Miville-Dechêne has presented it there and is championing the cause. She is interested in being interviewed via Zoom. A survey is circulating to obtain quantitative data from people who have personal experience.

Every Door is the Right Door presentations will be hosted online for the upcoming School District 33 pro-D day. There will be an in-person session for service providers on February 24th from 9:00-12:00. If it cannot be in person it will be online. A new feature added to the agenda is hearing from a local youth with lived experience. See the attached poster; register at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/138664127137>. CYMH interns will be creating a small booklet pamphlet for youth to guide them where they can connect to services. Email Janice.cross@live.ca if you would like more information.

6. Agency Updates

CYC – School District 33 is doing a communications audit, Kelly and Kate will ask people from subcommittees to support the process.

United Way – Community Builders are pivoting back to neighbourhood activities in the Sardis area instead of COVID response. The next United Way giving campaign is starting now. The previous campaign giving was good, even through COVID. Health & Safety protocol still calls for remote work.

School Board – The bi-election is February 13th, the first advance voting day is tomorrow. Please vote.

ADVANCE VOTING DAYS

Chilliwack Landing Sports Centre, 45530 Spadina Avenue:

- Wednesday, February 3, 2021 - 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Heritage Park, 44140 Luckakuck Way:

- Wednesday, February 10, 2021 - 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
- Thursday, February 11, 2021 - 11:00 am to 7:00 pm

GENERAL VOTING DAY

Saturday, February 13, 2021 - 8:00 am to 8:00 pm at the following locations:

- Chilliwack Landing Sports Centre - 45530 Spadina Avenue
- Heritage Park - 44140 Luckakuck Way.

[ChilTV](#) is hosting an All-Candidates forum on Friday, February 5 at 7:00pm. Willow Reichelt has posted the questions submitted to the candidates on her [Facebook page](#). Questions submitted from DPAC are attached.

CYMH – Had over 3,000 counseling and medical sessions in 2020. Since November 2020 more than 820 sessions occurred in the participating site. More than 1,400 new youth access the services. Chilliwack Children's Foundation, sponsored by the Rotary Club, provides grants to lower income families for medical, cultural or recreational opportunities. More than \$60,000 was given out locally last year. For more information or the pamphlet contact Dan at dbibby@telus.net.

MCFD – Wanda Smith is the new Director of Operations, in Dan Bibby's recently vacated position. MCFD is offering a blend of in-person and online support in their roles.

YMCA – The Youth BEAT Employment program is over capacity, 13 are participating with more interested. Contact Tara. The Generation Health for children ages 8-12 will be virtual, register at <https://generationhealth.ca/registration-contact/>.

FamilySmart – February is Eating Disorder Month, a video will be shown on February 11th at 6:30pm online. See more information at <https://familysmart.ca/program/itk/>.

School District 33 – The District is hiring a full-time permanent Health & Safety manager. The Neighbourhood Learning Centre is open to partner groups, standard protocols are in place. The Youth Health Clinic at the NLC is busy. Rentals for the general community will be closed until the end of June.

BC Responsible Gambling – Donna is hosting Metis Violin Lessons and Metis Wheel Teachings for children and youth ages 8-12 and 13-19. Spots are available. A \$26 violin rental fee is requested, granting may be provided. Other than that the program is free; it runs until June. Lessons are In person with safety protocols.

UFV School of Social Work & Human Services – Winter placements are underway, there may be a few summer placements available.

Chilliwack Community Services (Early Years/Family) – The Families First program has been restructured to be the Family Education program. It is open to the community, for those who range from being pregnant to parenting an 18-year-old. Sessions are 3-6 weeks. See their [website](#) for details.

The Youth Rec program has a few services available in person although the majority is online. Connect with Nikki at dionnen@comserv.bc.ca.

The Director of Operations for Immigrant Services is retiring at the end of March.

Ann Davis Transition Society – is hosting the Coldest Night of the Year on February 20, please spread the word far and wide. Click [here](#) for more information.

Chilliwack Society for Community Living – is currently finalizing preparations for their online/virtual CARF Accreditation survey, which will be from February 8-10. All of their programming for children/youth are running status quo (COVID-style).

Afternoon Adventures

- Afternoon Adventures is running in-person at Bernard, Robertson, Evans, and CMS at a 50% registration capacity due to COVID restrictions.
- The programs at AD Rundle, Hang Out, Vedder Middle School, and McCammon are awaiting Dr. Bonnie Henry's update on February 5 in order to resume.
- All program leaders are in touch with their students either in-person or connecting differently on a regular basis.
- Two new churches are considering partnering with Afternoon Adventures/Hang Out as early as September 2021 and some elementary schools are interested in offering the program as early as September 2021.
- Afternoon Adventures at Evans Elementary re-launched last week. It was a great success with awesome feedback from Evans' child and youth worker the day after the program launched.

They notice that the smaller number of students (12/13) per program actually allow for amazing quick bonding with the volunteers (4/5). This is a very positive side effect of not being allowed full registration for the programs.



Next Meeting – March 2, 2021

Location – online, <https://zoom.us/j/96585712823> (recurring link)