

CYC Monthly Meeting, via Zoom

March 1, 2022, 9:00 am - 11:00 am

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1. Welcome and Land Acknowledgment 10 Minutes Annette Williams, Chilliwack Learning Society (CLS) Review and Approve Agenda – Approved 5 Minutes 3. Approval of February 1, 2022, Meeting Minutes - Approved 5 Minutes

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4. Program Presentation: Chilliwack Learning Society (CLS), Annette Williams 20 Minutes

- PowerPoint slides included with the minutes.
- Literacy is not just about reading and writing- it is also about the understanding of what things mean, such as what does Starbucks mean when they refer to their cup sizes as Tall, Grande, and Venti?
- Lots of engagement with ESL programs on Zoom, participants are enjoying that platform as it increases • accessibility.
- Use Volunteer Tutors, ages 19+ for ESL programs.
- Also have Volunteer Tutor Program for those who are born and raised in Canada, participants are a diverse group of learners with a diverse array of learning needs and literacy goals.
- Money for Living Program, financial literacy, tailor workshops and webinars to learning and community needs and asks, such as stress-free taxes. Have a partnership with a business in Chilliwack that provides financial education information for free to the CLS to share with the community, Financial Literacy is a critical need in our community.
- Bookworm Friends- older adults read to children, great example of intergenerational programming, lots • of engagement from children, received funding for books, hearing that both the children and older adults get so much enjoyment and joy from this program. Not sure yet where the program will go next.
- Ladybug Book Bin, not used as much due to the pandemic but some agencies still have them, have capacity to circulate about 10 bins.
- There will be another Story Walk in the summer. Materials are available to borrow for agencies who would like to host a Story Walk. Agencies like CSCL have borrowed materials to host a Story Walk for their clients. Nice pop-up initiative. Also had collaboration with Chilliwack Library.
- City Wide 21 Day Literacy Challenge is coming up. Stay tuned for more information. There will be prizes.

Additional Notes Provided by Annette with links:

- Ladybug book bins stocked with used books are in waiting rooms for families to read together. Bins are available for organizations and businesses.
- 1,200 new books were given to organizations, daycares and individual in September 2021. They were donated to CLS from First Book Canada. More may be coming in August 2022 – a notification will go out through the CHC/CYC mail out when it happens.
- The Chilliwack Coliseum has a supply of gently used books to borrow, on the second concourse. Supplied by CLS and the Rotary Club of Chilliwack.
- <u>StoryWalk</u> materials are available to borrow for posting in hallways or outdoors.
- We're hosting a stress-free tax preparation webinar on March 9.
- The City-Wide Literacy Challenge (Reading Challenge) will be April 1-21.
- Annette can be reached at Literacyoutreach@chilliwacklearning.com; 604 392 2404

5. <u>Connection Café – Breakout Rooms:</u>

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• Conversation Starter: "What drives you to do your work every day? Please reflect on the ways you persevere and intentionally renew your mind, body, and spirit to continue to do your work?

Break

6. Subcommittee Reports

- Primary Prevention Levi Bailey, Chilliwack Youth Health Center (CYHC), UFV BSW Practicum Student
 - Submitted brief to the Senate on Child Proofing Porn 0
 - HSEP workshop with high school students, focused on access to child pornography
 - Reconnecting to Protect conference, gave lots of good ideas and inspiration
 - o Main goal- more media attention, not a lot of bites from mainstream media, airtime limited with pandemic and war
 - Social media focused, sent information to Senator who does tik tok videos, Bill S210, hoping to get the word out that way.
- Early Years Annette Williams, Chilliwack Learning Society (CLS)
 - Truth and Reconciliation work continues, survey about our knowledge, knowledge sessions coming forward
 - Strategic Plan brochure, ensuring photos used are accurate representations of the diverse community of Chilliwack
 - Update from Cristal on speakers for conversation
 - Child poverty Report Card review- still 1 in 5 children in poverty
- Middle Years Aileen Mathews, Chilliwack Society for Community Living (CSCL)

10 Minutes

5-10 Minutes

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- o Middle Years Development Guide, practicum student is making good progress on that
- Next meeting is tomorrow, March 2, 2022
- o Parent Networking nights is an idea being explored for middle years age group
- CYC Conversation- secured a choir from Leary Integrated Arts and Technology School to sing at the luncheon. Very excited about this.
- Youth Matters Tara Cummings, YMCA
 - Had a fantastic committee meeting last month, some new faces joined which is exciting, brings new energy, always looking for more committee members, next meeting is March 16, 2022, on zoom
 - o Starting to launch into directions for the committee, strategic planning underway
 - Have been focused on the CYC Conversation, a number of our members stepped up for youth matters panel and a keynote Aaron Pete. Very excited about this.
 - o Please reach out to Tara, Kelly, or Kate if interested in getting involved with Youth Matters

7. CYC Collaborative Partners Updates

5-10 minutes

• School District #33 – Brenda Point/Brenda Calendino

- Brenda Point- Good work going on in school district in the area of running Circles and the celebration of hearing student voice; Dave Manuel, Jessica Adams-Luprette and Salish Wesley. Also working on an Indigenous project on mental health. Looking at student voice around the province. Wanting to determine how Indigenous youth view mental health and their access to resources.
- Brenda Calendino, Children and Youth in care, 330 kids in care in SD 33, want to identify, track, and monitor how they are doing, create child and youth in care monitoring plans to ensure transition plans are smooth and more successful than what we have been seeing. Over 280 plans in place for kids so far, 50 to go. Will be completed after spring break. Will include strategies for classroom teachers to support. Focus on children and youth in care advocate role.

8. CYC Updates

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- CYC Conversation Planning 2022, theme: Reflection, Reconnection, and Reconciliation
 - April 26-29, 2022- in person and virtual, 4-day conference
 - Strong working group pulling different pieces together; a lot of energy and time spent has gone into planning.



- Finalizing some of our presenters- March 8th is deadline to finalize presentations, registration packages to be sent out by March 18th. Save the Dates have been sent out already. Please connect with teams about attending the conference.
- A lot of learning space available for participants, across all age groups.
- \circ Celebrating the 30 th anniversary of the CYC with a Wine and Cheese event and a Luncheon
- \circ Venue and menus solidified, Chilliwack Curling Club for the 2 in-person events.
- Wine and Cheese- senior level reps there to network, spontaneous discussions about cross agency stuff. Want agency banners and tables.
- Luncheon- lunch and resource tables, allow time for networking and programming, choir set up and other entertainment ideas and a speaker to wrap it, nothing too crazy. Goal is to get 200 people together.
- Please connect with Kelly if your agency would like to have a table at the Resource Fair being set up at the Curling Club for the Wine and Cheese (April 26) and the Luncheon (April 29). It will be great to have CYC partner agency banners, program information, and swag available for participants.
- Recognizing National Social Work Week, March 13-19, 2022- In Critical Demand, Social Work is Essential
 - Kelly gave a shout out to Social Workers in Chilliwack who serve the children and youth in our community. She also reminded everyone about the dates for Social Work Week and professional development events being hosted by the BC Association of Social Workers. For more information, check out their website at <u>www.bcasw.org</u>

 $_{\odot}$ Yves will follow up with the Fraser Valley Labor Council to ensure they are aware of this.

9. <u>Updates:</u> Agency Updates

Yves Trudel United Way of BC

- Not much new stuff to report. If agencies are involved in flood recovery funding, please be aware that the cycle is coming to an end. If additional support grants are needed, please reach out to access them. <u>yvest@uwbc.ca</u>
- Still recruiting for Admin Support Position. Job Posting information below: United Way British Columbia: Apply for the Administrative Support - Fraser Valley position using the link below:

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- The new Community Engagement Specialist will be announced this week.
- Many United Way BC staff plan on attending the CYC conversation

Janette Loosdrecht, City Life- Afternoon Adventures

- 6 programs up and running right now, might be a 7th at McCammon Elementary, all going strong
- Vision for the program connecting with community programs to consider an outdoor component to programs, such as gardening, getting on the trails; activities have mostly been on campus, but hope is to get outdoors
- Finishing this school year strong and then starting up again in September

Aileen Mathews, Chilliwack Society for Community Living

- Has been given the OK to run summer camps again, registration will open May 1, 2022, haven't done it in 2 years so this is very exciting
- Slowly opening doors again to in person visits and programming as covid protocols are lifting
- Have returned to in-person training for employees
- Excited about CYC Conversation

Alexa Hendricks, Chilliwack Community Services, Settlement Worker in Schools

• With covid restrictions lifting, having a meeting about what programming they can start in schools, such as a support group. Stay tuned for more information on that.

Annette Williams, Chilliwack Learning Society

• No additional update

Brenda Point, School District 33

• No additional update

Brenda Calendino, School District 33

• No additional update

Candace Craigen, Big Brothers Big Sisters

- Looking for mentors, especially male mentors
- Going into businesses to do presentations to workers to gain volunteers, such as trade centers, car dealership, want to get our name out there
- Programs are all meeting in person unless schools ask for them to be virtual
- Some CYC members suggested the use of ivolunteer to find volunteers. Information on how to access it provided below:



ivolunteer.ca. Register your organization, post volunteer opportunities or register as a volunteer. Includes Criminal Record Check.:

https://www.ivolunteer.ca/?gclid=CjwKCAiApfeQBhAUEiwA7K_UH5t_NCr6HFeRbyFXKUPVppyZ5wP1Vq eWOTUBNA7foCn60VfHkJl2hBoCWQwQAvD_BwE

Corinna Landsberger, Family Smart

- ADHD the Real Deal, facilitated by Dr. Don Duncan was a great event that happened last week. It was very well attended, 2-hour event, speaker spoke for 1 hour and then 1 hour for questions, ran out of time to answer all of the questions, so much engagement.
- In the Know- 5 events each month province wide.
- Dr. Ashley Miller- What to Say to Kids and Teens When Nothing Seems to Work- emotion focused family therapy. Was another great event that was held.
- Very busy in our communities, meeting parents in the community and connecting via phone and email.

Kaleigh Roberts, Chilliwack Community Services, Youth Services

- Hired a new ReConnect Worker named Christina.
- SEACAT committee, next week is SAY week, will be handing out brochures at an event coming up next week at Superstore. Reach out to Christina with any questions.
- Spring Break program for Recreation launching soon, hopefully next week. Information will be on the CCS, Youth Recreation Website. For youth ages 9-18.

Levi Bailey, Chilliwack Youth Health Centre Intern

• No additional update

Michelle VanDaele, Fraser Health, Health Schools Nurse

• No update at this time. First meeting back.

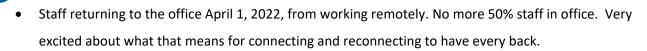
Sunita Lakhanpal, Sardis Library

• No update at this time

Tara Cummings, YMCA

- Youth programming has started again, all information on the YMCA website.
- Youth employment news- 13 youth in the Youth Beat program. Highly engaged and going well.
- Next session of Youth Beat will be happening in April, ages 17-29 interested in employment and struggling with mental health barriers across the Fraser Valley. No referral or diagnosis needed.
- New Marketing Coordinator in the department.
- Big surge of youth wanting to connect, couldn't take on everyone.

Wanda Smith, MCFD



Resources- Caregivers and Foster Parents, undergoing a significant transformation, 2 areas in BC, end of 2022/2023. Looking at the whole Foster Care System. Key focuses- how do we support out of care caregivers more; how do we support foster parents that have children with significant needs/trauma? How do we support staffed residential homes; short-term and long-term staffed residential homes for children and youth that are high needs and provide respite programs for families. 4 critical areas. More updates will be provided as the transformation starts to happen.

Kate Healey, Chilliwack Community Services

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- Hired a new Director of Housing and Operations
- On Feb 15th, 2022, CCS groundbreaking happened for the Paramount project on Yale Road. There will be housing for seniors and young adults who have transitioned out of care as well as office space for CCS staff. Very exciting, partnership with all levels of government; has been in the works for over 8 years, should be completed by Winter 2024.

Kelly Guiaya, UFV School of Social Work and Human Services

• No additional updates at this time.

Next Meeting April 5th, 2022, 9-11am Location – Zoom Presenter: Family Smart