

# **CYC Monthly Meeting, via Zoom**

Sept 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 9:00 am – 11:00 am

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1. Welcome and Land Acknowledgment

10 Minutes

- Teri Westerby, President of Chilliwack Pride, and Margaret Reid, Secretary of Chilliwack Pride
- 2. Review and Approve Agenda Approved



3. Approval of June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Meeting Minutes – Approved

5 Minutes

4. Program Presentation: Teri Westerby, President of Chilliwack Pride, and Margaret Reid, Secretary of

Chilliwack Pride 20 Minutes

- PowerPoint slides included with the minutes.
- History of Chilliwack Pride:
- It all began with the creation of the Gender Support Network
- Implementation of SOGI curriculum required Chilliwack Pride to increase their advocacy. Advocacy has been and continues to be a significant part of Chilliwack Pride.
- Wanting to host an event saw the creation of the Annual Chilliwack Pride event connect the community to Pride and Pride to the community.
  - Hosted the first Pride Event in 2019 that had about 50 volunteers and over 700 guests, hosted at the NLC. The event was accessible, free food and flat to support mobility accessibility
- What Chilliwack Pride Offers:
  - Offering Gender 101 to support Gender Education
  - Promoting inclusive medical, social and mental-health related resources to members of the LGBTQ2S+
    community this has been challenging for them as it's difficult to know if a service is truly affirming.
     When encouraging an individual to connect with a resource, that resource has to ensure their staff have been trained fully and that they are intersectional.
- Chilliwack Pride Events
  - After the first year of Pride, Covid regulations meant they couldn't host the regular Chilliwack Pride.
     Using a Rainbow Piano, they hosted a Community Wide scavenger hunt well received event to engage the community
  - Third year still couldn't host Pride so they put their resources into making an up to date Resource Guide that was shared in the paper. Focused on affirming resources only. If you want some of these resources, connect with Teri
  - o 4<sup>th</sup> year able to host Chilliwack Pride voted 3<sup>rd</sup> festival in Chilliwack for the year
  - Fundraisers and new things they did this last year Drag Bingo; Retro Dance Party for youth; LGBTQ2S+
     Scholarships; Downtown Pride banners (Courage is the center message of the banners)
  - 5<sup>th</sup> year estimated up to 20,000 people came. Took over a portion of downtown and was all street level. Really focused on accessibility, used symbols instead of letters and colours. Learned a lot through this year of Pride – had a quiet zone.
    - Was in partnership with the Downtown Market 75 vendors (30 of those were from the market)
    - 33 local service providers on site this was a fantastic to see so many agencies
    - 5 Drag Queens
    - All the local bangs were paid for their time to be there to support equity and inclusion
    - 9 food vendors
    - Over 100 volunteers!
    - The Chilliwack YMCA ran the kids' game
  - Chilliwack Pride has been the first Pride event many have attended as it's so accessible do what they
    do to ensure kids know they matter
- Other Exciting Initiatives:
  - o Chase Gray painted the mural over the course of 9 days, on the back side of Wellington Health



- Partnered with Tourism Chilliwack & District 1881 sell at their downtown office!
- Raised over \$25,000 from local fundraising and still have money in the bank to support ongoing activities
- The Future of Pride
  - Wanted to make each booth interactive, by making the events engaging you strengthen the community and support the community
  - Looking at having a formal Queer Prom/Winter Formal in partnership with CBYF
  - Wanting to engage more youth and more Indigenous voices
  - Looking at ongoing events throughout the year, across the community
  - Wanting to partner with service providers who have a wide range of clients served to support stronger awareness of the event
  - Wanting to engage with more local tables to get feedback ongoing
  - O Didn't have any faith providers at this last year's Pride they are going to start a meaningful conversation on this to see how this can be incorporated, but don't want it to be triggering
- Gender Inclusive Schools Resource: <a href="https://www.genderinclusiveschools.org/">https://www.genderinclusiveschools.org/</a>
- 5. Connection Café Breakout Rooms:

10 Minutes

• In what ways can the CYC and our individual agencies support Pride initiatives and promote the spirit of gender diversity and inclusion? Please share things you are already doing and/or things that could be done.

Break 10 minutes

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6. Subcommittee Reports

5-10 Minutes

- Primary Prevention No representative
  - No update at this time.
- Early Years Annette Williams, Chilliwack Learning Society (CLS) (provided by email)
  - There was a meeting on June 9th but not for July and August. The next one will be on September
     17, a hybrid meeting at Sto:lo's boardroom (in person with a Zoom in option).
  - June's meeting highlights:
    - Pillar 4 of the Strategic Plan was discussed and related to current and future work of organizations.
    - "Reduce sources of stress: excessive activation of the body's stress response can overload the brain and other organ systems, affecting healthy development and making it difficult to use core life skills.
  - Common stressors of finances and behaviour were identified.



Ministry initiatives that are scheduled to start in September were discussed. These include:
 Changing Possibilities for Young Children; Just B4 at Watson Elementary; Strengthening Early
 Years to Kindergarten Transitions; Seamless Day at Central; ECE Dual Credit.

# Middle Years – Aileen Mathews, Chilliwack Society for Community Living (CSCL)

- No summer meetings, meeting in September
- Starting up the parent info nights in October will send out promo when it is ready

### Youth Matters – Tara Cummings, YMCA

- In a transition phase, looking at bringing on two new co-chairs. Tara will share this with us when this is solidified.
- September 21<sup>st</sup> is the next meeting

# 7. CYC Collaborative Partners Updates

5-10 minutes

#### • School District #33 – Brenda Point/Brenda Calendino

- Summer Program, in partnership with United Way through the Schools Out Summer Program.
   Ran 3 camps out the NLC, 4 days a week from 10-2pm in August. 9-12-year old's. Partnered with Indigenous Services the camp was truly inclusive. 8 people from United Way came out and participated.
- Full compliment of the Mental Heath & Behavioral Team focused this year on chronic nonattenders, from K-12.
- o Grade 9 Mental Health Summit coming up
- To provide a presentation at the Afterschool Learning Series, around Mental Health contact:
   jan mcalpine@sd33.bc.ca
- Partnered with Chilliwack Restorative Justice, Danielle Otermat was hired as the Restorative
   Schools Coordinator
  - Providing programs in three schools: Vedder Middle, Vedder Elementary, and Watson
     Elementary Restorative Circles
  - Working alongside the schools to address and support individuals when harm is done.
  - RJ provided a 4-day training for 14 Child and Youth Care Workers/Counsellors

## 8. CYC Updates 10 minutes

#### Request for CYC Monthly Meeting Presenters

 If you are interested in presenting at a monthly CYC meeting, please contact Kate directly or fill out the CYC survey.

#### CYC Co-Chair Update



- The amazing Kelly Guiaya unfortunately has to step back from her role as co-chair and we are now looking for a new co-chair to work alongside Kate. Kelly has been a truly fantastic addition to CYC over her time as co-chair and she will be truly missed. Kelly will still attend the monthly meetings.
- o If you are interested in learning more about the role, please contact Kate or Kelly directly. The role works with the other co-chair to plan each monthly meeting, chair or record at each monthly meeting, oversees the updating of the CYC Website, is a lead on the planning committee for the Annual CYC Conversation, act as a main contact for the CYC in partnership with the other co-chair, and other duties as required.
- **CYC Survey:** Please take some time to fill out the attached survey to provide helpful feedback to Kate and Kelly on the ongoing structure of the CYC meetings. Your feedback is incredibly valuable!
  - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZM5GZNM

#### 9. Updates: Agency Updates

40 Minutes

- Aileen Mathews and Dan Bibby, CSCL: Looking at expanding services and having staff participate in training, updating their building which will be available to rent by the community. Seeing complex needs in clients, supporting staff development to be confident to manage the needs of clients.
- Angela Rieberger, CCECSS: Successful Childcare camps all summer hosting 45 children from various schools, plus drop-in Early Years Immunization and Dental Clinics. Our family navigator was very busy supporting families over the summer as well as hosted 2 Story Walks welcoming close to 90 children. Food security and housing were two of the highest needs for the summer months and food was delivered weekly thanks to generous donations from Frescho and Cabin Fever Bakery.
  Fall programming we will have our drop-in Tween Club program starting Sept 22nd and 2nd Day program starting October 3rd in 5 schools as well as community classes for children ages 5-12 offering a variety such as: arts, sports, cooking, babysitting, and stay safe, as well as welcoming back Adult yoga and Zumba.
  - Lastly, we also are open back up for evening and rentals for public and community groups.
- Brandi Carlow, Chilliwack Youth Health Centre: Have a large group of interns who started last week, getting accustomed to the culture of the centre. Groups will be starting up here soon, flyers are being created and will be shared once they are ready. Average 90-100 youth a week for medical and counselling services. Partnered with a Nurse Practitioner who does outreach and connects with youth who are homeless. Partnering with the SD to identify space at schools in Sardis for access. Looking at reconnect with Fraser Health for space opportunities.



- Candace, BBBS: Starting our school based program, resuming matches from previous year and starting up almost 20 new matches. still looking for male mentors as we have a lot of boys on our waitlist for our community based program
- Cristal Biela, FH: No Updates
- **Corinna Landsberger, Family Smart:** The Fall 'In the Know' Series has just been released, see attached poster for more information.
- Kate Healey, CCS: CBYF Afterschool Hangout Program is having a kickoff event on September 21<sup>st</sup> –
  poster attached.
- **Katrina Ovens, PCRS:** Summer camp Prevention Program went well over the summer—continue to have this program running at two middle schools. Soon to have 10 youth at Traverse. Zoe is the new ASTRA worker, going to work with the current CAPS workers.
- Nikki Dionne, CCS: No Updates
- Tammy Webb, Ann Davis Society: Happy to welcome Traveena Alexis as our new Children's Counsellor, upcoming PEACE group for kids 6-12 who've witnessed or experienced violence, ongoing one-to-one youth counselling for 12-18 year old's with support regarding healthy relationships and more.
- Tara Cummings, YMCA: YMCA is taking on the two leisure centers in Chilliwack, lots of employment opportunities. https://www.gv.ymca.ca/join-our-team
- Yves, United Way of British Columbia: Some of the families who are impacted by the Hope fires, they are receiving supports from the FVRD. It is clear how impactful air quality is on our community with how things have been this last week with the fire in Hope encouraging to keep an eye on this. Ensure you are caring for yourself when difficulty conversations happen around the municipal elections coming up.

Next Meeting October 4<sup>th</sup>, 9-11am

**Location – Zoom** 

**Presenter: TBD**