



Alberni-Clayoquot Health Network Minutes

Wednesday, June 17th, 2015 @ 10:00 am

ACRD Board Room, 3008 5th Avenue, Port Alberni, BC

Attendees: Laurie Money, Wes Hewitt, Esther Pace, Penny Cote, Peter Klaver, Marcie DeWitt, Bob Baden, Jess McConnell

Guests: Faye Missar, Maggie Hodge Kwan, Julie Rushton, Greg Smyth

Regrets: Rebecca Hurwitz, Janice Johnson, Ellen Brown, Shaune Casavant, Craig Summers, Josie Osborne, Adriane Schroeder

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

The Chairperson acknowledged we are on the traditional territories of the Hupacasath and Tseshaht First Nations.

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA & MINUTES

The Agenda and the Minutes of May 20th, 2015 ACHN meeting were approved.

3. COORDINATOR REPORT

Review of the Coordinator Report

TOP reviewed the Monthly reporting spreadsheet.

BC Healthy Communities Transportation Forum

35 people attended the Transportation Forum held Thursday, June 11. There was representation from Government, First Nations, the health sector, and transportation providers. The next step is to compile the information and send the report to the attendees and the network. In September a call for participation in 2 Action Tables will be promoted, a region wide and a West Coast Action Table.

Evaluation Update

Marcie info from document

Action Items:

1. AVCSI report will be distributed by Wes Hewitt in July.

2. Marcie has spoken to 10 individuals to date to collect the data in the document, in the next month will be touching base with the remaining ToP members and community members identified.

4. ACHN OPPORTUNITIES

LIRN Workshops

LIRN BC is offering 21 workshops coordinated by a number of BC's leading community development organizations.

Action Items:

1. Marcie will follow up with Scott at LIRN, submit an expression of interest, deadline is July 3rd. (#1, #4 and #9).

Organizing Against Racism and Hate Grant for Port Alberni

Presented for information. Port Alberni is eligible for \$1000 grant to start up an Organizing Against Racism and Hate Board. The City of Port Alberni is investigating.

Alberni Children First Network -Aboriginal Table Funding,

Greg Smyth, SD70 explained that with the school configuration and closures, catchment areas being enforced they will have space in schools to offer pre and post school child care for providers. At this point the School District is trying to get away from a grade school and progress to an age school.

The questions are how does SD70 utilize school facilities and how do we support children in their neighbourhoods without having to go outside their catchment area. The School District supports offering child care after school and wants to expand their partnerships. Currently the SD70 has partnerships with Hummingbird day care, Alberni Children First, the disclaimer is the School Board does not want to get in the child care business but they have space and want to explore the opportunities.

Early Years Centre

Julie explained at the end of March a forum was held by the Ministry, 200 people were invited to discuss Early Year Centers. Early Years Centers are about communities working together to ensure families have access to services that promote the health, well-being and development of children aged 0-6 years. They build on what already exists in communities, they are welcoming and supportive, culturally safe and recognize communities should have discretion to determine which activities would benefit families with young children.

Maggie explained they have identified 20 individuals to invite to the next meeting and the formal request to the ACHN ToP is to invite Marcie to attend these meetings. Meetings will be held once a month with an approximate time commitment of 2 hours, an RFP will be prepared and submitted in October.

MOU Aboriginal ECD

In 2013 the ACHN entered into agreements with the ACHN to gain capacity dollars. Since then there have been some changes the Aboriginal ECD group started to lose momentum in how they worked in our community. There is \$8500.00 remaining. Options are to hold the funds, can give back to the ACHN, or use the funds.

Action Items:

1. Marcie will attend the monthly meetings (6 hours) until the RFP is submitted in October.
2. Marcie will write a letter to Friendship Center – Cyndi Stevens from the Chair regarding the expired MOU and request the funds remaining be returned.
3. Julie will attend September meeting with ideas options to use the remaining \$8500.00.
4. Future MOU's will have a statement saying monies not used will be returned to the ACHN.

5. Binder Update

Binders will be collected, updated and distributed at September meeting.

6. MOU's

1. MOU's are signed.

Action Items:

1. Disperse \$20,000.00 to the Coastal Family Resource Coalition via Westcoast Community Resources Society.

7. Other Business

MDI data is out for SD70 - Marcie will distribute.

8. Meeting Close

Agenda Items

ToP attendance, Alternates, Guests, Observers,
Incorporate a community check in

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm. The next meeting of the Table of Partners will be held on Wednesday, July 15th, 2015 @ 10:00 am.