

# Table of Partners Minutes

Wednesday, September 21, 2022 @ 9:30 am

Zoom

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**Participants:** Penny Cote (Chairperson), Marcie DeWitt (Coordinator), Natasha Dumont, Ellen Froot, Deb Haggard, Debra Hamilton, Mollie Law, Sally Mole, Alisha Pauling

**Regrets:** Mariah Charleson, Rachele Cole, Edward Johnson, Curt Smecher, Christine Washington, Julia Martin

**Guests:** Toni Buston (West Coast Youth Engagement Facilitator), Mary Catherine Williams (United Way BC), Sandra Alison (VIHA), Jordan Higgins (Alberni Valley Youth Engagement Facilitator), Jane Osborne (BC Community Response Network), Jaslyn (Youth Intern for the Barclay Communities CBYF Initiative)

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 9:32 am.

The Chairperson recognized the meeting is being held throughout many of the traditional territories of British Columbia.

## 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES

The Agenda for the September 21, 2022, meeting was approved.

The Minutes of the June 15, 2022, meeting were approved.

## 3. ACHN REPORTS

a. **Coordinator Update** - Marcie DeWitt reported on activities that she was involved in since our previous meeting as outlined in the agenda package.

Highlights:

- Lots of follow-up from June meeting
- CBYF team meetings
- Cooling Project – got fans out to the community

b. **Island Health One Time Grant**

- ACRD received additional funding to add the contract with Island Health
- One time grant of \$36,258.86
- Future discussions to be held on how to allocate these funds

c. **Island Health Evaluation**

- New Interim Manager of Healthy Communities, Janelle Hatch, working on an evaluation to look at Island Health Networks to help them be more effective

- Marcie prepared a power point which highlighted priority areas from ACHN Strategic Plan for review during meeting
- ACHN ToP and community partners discussed successes, enablers & barriers (will send out document summary after meeting)
- Information from this session will be shared with the Island Health evaluation team and used to start informing next steps in strat planning and Poverty Reduction.

#### **4. ACHN UPDATES**

##### **a. Communities Building Youth Futures**

- Toni – more outdoor time this summer spent with youth, building on the project, lots more stuff coming this fall, brought on Trinity who is working with youth post-high school in a support group format.
- Jordan – was great to hand out the grant funds then work with the programs who received the funds, worked with ADAPS regularly, looking forward to more opportunities this fall including a Hallowe'en event and the BeSafe app

#### **5. INFORMATION ITEMS**

Penny – UBCM: attended several sessions/workshops around health; looking at solutions.

Ellen – sent a group to Bamfield (highly successful), created a video titled “Human’s First” – will send out the link, Sage Haven has begun construction.

Jane – got funding for a project around community organizations that want to up-their-game in regard to inclusive and affirming services for queer/trans. Will write up a promo piece for Marcie to pass along.

Mary Catherine – rolling out a volunteer management platform, willing to work with any groups wanting to use it, publicity is forth-coming. Getting more “period promise” products from the provincial office and will try and get some out to the west coast and Bamfield.

Natasha – gearing up for influenza vaccinations – likely the first week of October. Going into schools to provide grade 6 & 9 immunizations. Postponing vision & hearing screenings until the new year, as well as health unit school catch-up clinics. Just re-opened mass immunization sites in the majority of communities.

Sally – operating K-12 this school year, went from 23 kids up to 49 students. Squeezing into the school, but it is a great thing for Bamfield.

#### **6. MEETING ADJORNED**

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

The next meeting of the Table of Partners will be held Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am.