

# TRI-CITIES SENIORS PLANNING NETWORK

## Minutes of Meeting Tuesday, June 21, 2016 - 1:00 - 3:00 pm Poirier Library, Boardroom 575 Poirier St., Coquitlam

### Attendees:

Stacy Ashton  
Masumeh Bakhshian  
Bruce Bird  
Judith Castillo  
Gina Hortelano  
Judy Jackson  
Ken Kuhn  
Anne Ladouceur  
Pat McBlane (acting chair)  
Roland Mitchell  
Mary Ong  
Irene Turnbull

### Regrets:

Elaine de Koning  
Effie Garcia  
Jeanne Goodrick  
King Lum  
Karen Tyrell

### Introductions

### Agenda

- Accepted with no changes

### Minutes of Previous Meeting (March 15, 2016)

- Accepted with no changes
- Moved to accept – Roland
- Seconded - Judith
- carried

### Business Arising from Previous Meetings

#### Housing Forum - Report back

- Stacy presented a draft of the final report
- Pre-survey results showed good responses and collected good information
- Issues identified through survey were addressed at the Forum
- Responses were aligned with Isobel Mackenzie's report
- In general, people wanted to stay in their homes and stay in the Tri-Cities
- Accessibility was a priority
- Six members served on the planning Committee – Kudos to all!
- Feedback forms gave excellent reviews
  - 4.4 out of 5 would recommend this to others
  - 3.6 felt they got what they expected
  - 3.5 feel more prepared for the future
- There was quite a lot of variation in responses

- When the report gets sent to all participants, it was suggested by Ken that we include a feedback form
- Final report should include Assessment
- Question of how we want to leverage information came up – discussion/decision tabled for next meeting
- Need to gather email addresses and/or home address for all participants; Stacy to have a volunteer do research
- Stacy will complete the report adding things going forward
- Where do we want to go?
- Ken mentioned there was opportunity to put in suggestions on the Port Moody website re: future use of the Port Moody Firehall, and he encouraged people to do so
- Event planning/sub-committees need to prepare their own agendas and records minutes to ensure meetings cover proper discussion and follow up
- Include sponsor/vendor contact info/or logos on one page
- Reviewed summary of expenses/revenue; few adjustments to be made; won't impact balance
- Discussion about how to use surplus funds; suggestions were a large banner and a table top banner/display – tabled for discussion at next meeting
- At some point it was felt we need to discuss the status of this Committee
- CVC is not in a position to request more funding for the committee; she has a certain amount allocated to TCSPN from gaming funds
- Our status currently is as a 'hosted network'
- Need something to outline current structure or look at other options for the committee structure – Stacy to send something prior to next meeting for discussion.
- Next meeting to discuss:
  - What does the Network want to do?
  - What is the best structure to work under in order to achieve goals?
  - Who is responsible for pulling the information together?
  - Funding element; will review Terms of Reference and Priorities
  - Once we review our goals, review our structure we need to ask:
    - Do we need more funding? ...for what?

## **New Business**

### **Political Forum/All Candidates Debate**

- Everyone feels that a political Forum was a great idea
- Planning needs to begin well in advance of the upcoming spring election
- Bruce Bird indicated that CARP would be willing to co-sponsor such an event
- Bruce is very interested in being a part of the planning committee
- Need to put out a 'call to action' through our Network for volunteers who would commit to participate in pre-planning and/or the event itself
- Ken/Roland to draft something and forward to Stacy prior to it being sent out to Network

### **Newsletter/Website**

- We currently have a webpage on the CVC website
- Do we need one of our own? (much discussion no decision; perhaps ensure Network page link is showing up on other search engines)
- Ken Kuhn will put together a sample newsletter for the July meeting
- TCSPN on Facebook (under Tri-Cities Seniors Planning Network) – log on and 'LIKE' us
- Need to look at maintenance of the social media connections
- Register our group on the Coquitlam Library website; Judy J to make inquiries and follow up

## Multicultural Fair

- Spirit Square (Glen Pine), 11-2:30 pm on Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>
- Mary Ong (Investor's Group) will have a table and would like to share with TCSPN
- Stacy to send brochure to Mary so that she can have it colour copied
- If anyone is interested in being at the booth with Mary – long time, short time, anytime....please let Mary know if you're interested and what time you may be dropping by ([mary.ong@investorsgroup.com](mailto:mary.ong@investorsgroup.com))
- Judith will offer discount coupons for seniors re: cleaning services
- If new Newsletter available, will send some copies to Mary

## Updates:

Effie Garcia: (in absentia)

- Coquitlam Park & Rec have sent invitation for participation in planning discussion around Seniors' programs
- Poirier Center, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 pm
- Information sent out post meeting to all of the Network

Stacy Ashton:

- CVC AGM, Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm

Mary Ong:

- Power of Attorney presentation, Glen Pine, June 29<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 3pm

Bruce:

- Webinar (from June 15<sup>th</sup>) had some great ideas.
- Check [www.ifc-fic.org](http://www.ifc-fic.org) for more information and information
- Report links from webinar sent to all of Network post meeting

Gine:

SHARE is starting two new programs:

- Welcoming Seniors' Spaces – community based hubs for services
- Seniors' on the Move – expansion of transportation services to include non-medical needs
- Both programs are through funding from the New Horizons grant

Irene Turnbull:

- Attended a Coquitlam Parks & Rec consultation workshop June 20<sup>th</sup>
- Interesting session – they wanted to know what was good, what was not so good and what our recommendations would be for change (or not)
- Community Idea Fair re: the future of Kyle Centre in Port Moody to be held on June 25<sup>th</sup> – drop in from 1 to 5 pm (more info on this sent to all of Network post meeting)

Judith Castillo

- Will share thoughts on what we are doing for seniors on her radio program Muy Bieno at [netradio.com](http://netradio.com)

Pat McBlane

- Walk for Elder Abuse Day went very well – several locations
- Organizers felt it was successful and will continue to grow awareness on annual basis

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, July 19, 1:00 to 3:00 pm , Coquitlam City Centre Library, BOARDROOM**