

TRI-CITIES SENIORS PLANNING NETWORK

Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, June 17, 2014 - 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Location: Port Moody Arts Centre

Attendees:

Stacy Ashton
Masumeh Bakhshian
Peggy Hendrickson
Gina Hortelano
Judy Jackson
King Lum (chair)
Mike Oakley
John Schofield
Michi Tsurumi
Linda Western

Regrets:

Bruce Bird
Effice Garcia
Pat McBlane
Karen Tyrell

Introductions were made; King Lum chaired the meeting.

Agenda was accepted with no changes.

Minutes from Last Meeting

- Minor 'typo' changes identified by Bruce Bird, no changes to context
- Mike Oakley moved to accept the minutes; seconded by Peggy Hendrickson
- Carried

Business Arising from Previous Meetings

Transportation Forum Update (Stacy):

- Tri-City News published article about the Forum
- 57 people have registered
- Some members have said they are attending, but have not registered. Everyone needs to register so we have accurate numbers for food, etc.
- 9 tables have been sold
 - Open to all services for seniors/need some clarification in individual insurance requirements and/or if separate rider is required
- Speakers have been confirmed:
 - ICBC - re-examination of driver's license
 - Handidart - advocate
 - Translink - Compass Pass
 - City Transportation Planners (all confirmed)
 - Translink planner for NE sector
- Thrifty's will donate five trays of sandwiches
- Starbuck's will donate all coffee
- IGA will supply water and cookies
- Effie has organized ten volunteers for interpretation services

- Linda has agreed to facilitate the panel
- Bruce Bird will emcee the event
- Set up to begin by 9 am
- Need more volunteers
- Rides will be needed for approximately 10 people (Stacy to coordinate)

Logo Finalization

- Chose the logo which boxed the key between Tri-Cities Seniors and Planning Network
- Judy to send to Natasha; only change is bolding the Tri-Cities Seniors portion and lightening the colour as it prints like black
- Mike may have contact for a logo banner; will follow up with Stacy
- Mike Oakley moved to accept the logo; Stacy seconded
- Carried

Coquitlam Canada Day

- We have not registered separately
- Stacy confirmed that we can share some space with SUCCESS
- King is available to attend; need a couple of more volunteers

Topics for the Fall

- Lin Chen, BC Centre for Advocacy & Support has expressed an interest in presenting to our group
- Lin will be invited to attend our September meeting
- Linda Western and Massi B. will try to pull together a presentation around housing for the October meeting
- Day program planners will be invited to attend the November meeting
 - Discussion around recreational day programs
 - Fraser Health support re day care
 - How do people access?
 - Is what we have adequate?
 - Coordination of seniors centres programs
- In December, we will invite CARP and COSCO to attend the meeting to help us better understand what each of these organizations do

Upcoming Meetings

- The meeting on July 15th will be held at CVC offices; this meeting will focus on a debriefing of the Forum
- There will be no meeting in August

New Business

New Horizons Grant Application

- During the last round of funding we applied for two grants:

- To conduct a survey (turned down)
- Presentation to seniors re: volunteering (turned down)
- What would we want to do with the money?
- Project based - need project ideas
 - Involve senior volunteers
 - Expanding awareness re: elder abuse
- Long approval period - apply in July, approval March 31
- Stacy would like to see an intergenerational video made
- We will look at what we submitted last year and see if we need to 'tweak' and resubmit (will send to Network for ideas/comments)

Updates

King:

- Attended a presentation to the Homelessness Task Force at SFU
- Focus is on 15% which are 'severely' homeless
- Found independent rentals worked better than assisted living situations
- If given choice, this has been much more successful than the traditional model re: case manager, assigned living, etc.
- Residences being built at 3030 Gordon will include space for homeless individuals
- Coquitlam affordable housing strategic draft to be released in a couple of months
- There will be some community consultation re: design and use of housing at Burquitlam; Linda to forward info to Judy to share with Network

Michi:

- City of Port Moody is now looking into programs for seniors, space, etc.

Gina:

- CRN event tomorrow at Coquitlam Library, 10 am, re: Elder Abuse

Peggy:

- Tuesday, July 29th there will be a Multicultural Fair at Spirit Square from 11 am to 3 pm
- Free - lots of great multicultural entertainment

Stacy:

- CVC AGM to be held next Wednesday, June 25th

**Next meeting: July 15th, 1 to 3 pm, CVC offices, 25 King Edward St.
Focus of meeting: Forum Debriefing**