

Youth Sub-Committee Meeting

Inuvik Interagency Committee

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

SHSS – Library

Minutes

Present:

Mary Ann Ross	GTC
Brandi Larocque	SHSS-SLC
Tessi Kendi	SHSS-SLC
Euodia Mutua	SHSS-SLC
Caroline Kaufman	SHSS-SLC
Chloe Gillis	SHSS-SLC
Mabel Brown	Inuvik Justice Committee
Roman Mahnic	Principal- SHSS
Luke Eberl	SHSS
Mike Millen	Inuvik Youth Centre
Tony Devlin	Community Services Town of Inuvik
Rose Constantineau	Community Services Town of Inuvik
Jo-Ellen Lyso	SHSS- Counsellor
Silva Koso	Interagency Committee
Patricia Davison	Interagency Committee

Regrets:

Logan Ruben	SHSS-SLC
Alfred Moses	MACA
Nancy McInnis	Probation Services
Sue MacNeil	IDC
Kevin Floyd	IDC

1. Call to Order @ 12:05 by co- Chair Mary Ann Ross

Mary Ann passed on regrets of those members who were unable to attend. Introduced Patricia Davison new interim Coordinator of the Interagency Office. Larry Peckford has moved over to a position at the Town of Inuvik as Manager Community Economic Development.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion 03/02/10 – 1 to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved by Euodia Mutua Seconded by Chloe Gillis

Carried

3. Review & approval of previous minutes

Motion 03/02/10 – 2 to approve minutes with amendments of:

Adding Tony Devlin in attendance, and spelling/typo errors removed.

Moved by Euodia Mutua

Seconded by Brandi Larocque

Carried

4. Business Arising from Minutes

Mary Ann reviewed the minutes updating those present on various items.

a) co-chair position

Discussion around vacancy with Nancy going on maternity leave.

Need someone who is able to make a 8month commitment.

Mary Ann thanked Luke Ebrel for his interest, however he is leaving the community soon and the position really needs some consistency. Patricia and Mary Ann had went through the list of members and identified 4 possibilities. Each of these individuals have been approached or contacted group is waiting to hear back from them.

Tony nominated Rose Constantineau for the position of co-chair seconded by Roman

Rose is taking on the youth orientated programs for the Town of Inuvik her position would be a good fit for the co-chair of the committee.

Decision will be made at next month's meeting on co-chair position

Action:

A list of those interested will be distributed with agenda for next meeting

b) MACA application

Alfred has emailed to the interagency office the application for the funding for Pizza and other items discussed at last meeting.

Action:

Patricia will complete application with input from Mary Ann and members as needed.

5. New Business

a) Follow on Priorities for 2009/2010

- actions to date

Mary Ann gave an up date on the three priorities:

Absenteeism

Bullying

Alcohol and Drug abuse

The Youth sub committee had wanted to update the priorities and get more information on the issues. Student Council and the Youth centre will take an active role in this task.

- future plans

Mary Ann brought forward the plan to write a letter to the all layers of government, (GNWT, GTC, IRC, Federal, Town) and the NGO's (Youth

Centre, Ingamo, Recreation Centre) with the identified issues so they can plan their programs and priorities with the ideas the youth bring forward. This will help the leaders and organizations know what the youth see as important issues and solutions to the issues.

Discussion:

How do we get youth to give their honest ideas into what the issues are in their life?

Input from SLC

- ❖ *Discussion in class about topic and issues, everyone gives great ideas.*
- ❖ *Talking to friends hear about problems at home, suicide, family issues*
- ❖ *Ask class mates their ideas*
- ❖ *Turtle concepts worked to get the groups together and have a discussion*
- ❖ *When given a survey, sometimes people just check anything so they can be finished, don't really think about answers*
- ❖ *Paper surveys do not get the best/most honest answers*
- ❖ *Discussions with young leaders,*
- ❖ *helps if it is someone you kind of know*

Action:

SHSS SLC will work on finding out priority issues and what the youth see as solutions to share at next meeting

Youth centre completed target specific anonymous surveys (age/Gender) at their program. Youth were asked to check off answers, they were given a \$10 gift certificate as an incentive fill out surveys. Same three issues were identified as priority along with a fourth of "What is there to do in this town."

Action:

Youth centre will share at the next meeting data from the surveys they completed in their program.

- **assistance needed**

The town of Inuvik through their Community Services department is trying to create opportunities for youth that might lead to solutions to some of these issues. Any idea for programs for youth can be brought forward to **Rose Constantineau at 777- 8636 or email RConstantineau@town.inuvik.nt.ca**

Action:

Youth will make list of ideas from friends and classmates to give to Rose.

b) **Interagency Face**

Interagency Youth Sub Committee has a face book page

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=145162987155>

Action:

Everyone check out the Youth sub group face book page and come with ideas to make it more interactive or post on the page.

c) Other reports

Round table updates:

SHSS – Roman Mahnic

- Having issues in school with electronic devices with cameras a privacy issue and ipods and attention and focus issue, no more electronic devices in school, students are being very cooperative, even if they do not like the rule, they are understanding the why.
- Closer follow up on junk food ban, looking at energy drinks that are not healthy and reinforcing not having them in the school
- Started using digital data base to track incidents, started off the new term by clarifying expectations, procedures and policies.
- Working on celebrating students success and building school spirit

In transition right now DEA is helping on decision making level.

Justice – Mabel Brown

On land Program started after Christmas, a rich experience to be out at camp and learn a lot from the elders. It happens on the weekends. If any students are interested or know of a youth who might benefit from going to a camp let Jo-Ellen Lyso know and she will put them in touch with Mabel Brown at the Justice committee.

Youth Centre – Mike Millen

All planned initiatives are under way and on track:

Healthy relationship sessions on Thursday nights

Girls Night Tues/Thurs @ 6:30

Traditional Beading 3-5 daily

Mentoring Program still working on this project

End of March to move into new building

Working on getting all new computers in building

Would Youth Centre be interested in Pianos, let Mabel know

SHSS - Jo-Ellen Lyso

Celebrating students success, may try new initiative to recognize students who have been drug free for an extended period of time. An opportunity for them to talk to other students about their choices and success.

Town of Inuvik - Rose Constantineau

Arena busy the next while

Youth Gwichin Cup the end of February

IRC cup On the weekend of the 18th

Figure Skating this weekend

6. Due to the strict late policy in place at the school future meetings need to conclude before 12:50 so students can participate in the full meeting. Everyone please make an effort to be at the newt meeting right at 12:00 Noon.

Action: Look at meeting times to ensure best time for youth to participate

7. **Date of next** meeting March 3, SHSS 12:00 noon

8. Adjournment

Motion 03/02/10 – 3 to adjourn @ 12:55

Moved by Rose Constantineau