

## **YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**March 28, 2013 5:00 p.m.**  
**Oak Room, Century House**

### **MINUTES**

#### **VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Hannah Block  
Veronika Gukova  
Tay Su-Jeong Kim  
Bryant Lee  
Jelena Mitrovic  
Valeria Nandayapa  
Kaylie Page  
Dana Radivojevic  
Jason Zhang

#### **VOTING MEMBERS REGRETS:**

Linda Ali  
John Cao  
Hayden Goss  
Anjelika Ku  
Wesley Ku  
Joe Shen  
Cynthia Tan  
Jonathan Yang

#### **NON-VOTING ADVISORS PRESENT:**

Councillor Chuck Puchmayr  
Dan Kalivoda  
David Phelan  
Kal Randhawa

#### **NON-VOTING ADVISORS REGRETS:**

Karon Trenamen

#### **STAFF:**

Leslie Cole  
Sandon Fraser  
Donna Martin

The meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m.

## **1.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

## **2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

### **2.1 Minutes of February 27, 2013**

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee meeting held on February 27, 2013 be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

#### **PROCEDURAL NOTE:**

Due to the nature of the presentation, the order of the agenda was changed, moving the presentation to the last item of the agenda.

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Item 5.0 New Business and Item 6.0 Reports and Information be moved to the next items on the agenda.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

## **5.0 NEW BUSINESS**

### **5.1 Additional Appointments to Youth Advisory Committee**

The Committee Clerk announced that at the March 28, 2013 meeting of City Council the appointment of Alyssa Favero was rescinded per her request and Veronika Gukova, Jelena Mitrovic and Valeria Nandayapa were appointed to the Youth Advisory Committee for the term ending September 30, 2013.

Ms. Martin issued the oath of office and gave the new members an orientation packet.

## **6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION**

### **6.1 Councillor's Report: Councillor Chuck Puchmayr**

Councillor Puchmayr told the members that he is impressed with the youth involvement in the community. For spring break, Councillor Puchmayr will be busy with the cattle on the charity farm.

## **6.2 School Board Trustee – David Phelan**

Mr. Phelan announced the following:

- A reduction of service next year is expected due to more budget cuts;
- Ground breaking for the new Elementary School (Qay Qat) is April 5, 2013;
- Planning has begun for the new middle school;
- NWSS will have a two week spring break next year.

## **6.3 DPAC Representative - Kal Randhawa**

Kal Randhawa reported the first Special Education Parent Network Day will be held on April 6, 2013 at the FW Howie School. The Ministry of Education will be doing presentations and workshops.

## **6.4 Community School Coordinator's Report – Dan Kalivoda**

Dan Kalivoda reported the following:

- The first group of Recreation Education students have been placed;
- Group B will be responsible for the Bunny Trail at Queens Park for Easter;
- Real Education and Applied Leadership (REAL) is available at Douglas College. This is an opportunity to learn how to work as a team and with children;
- A communication survey has been distributed at NWSS questioning what can be improved in order to involve more students in the community;
- Grade 9 Day is in the planning stages for October. Focus will be on wellness and stress management;
- Passion Project – focuses on female empowerment. They are looking for a community project.

## **6.5 ICBC Representative's Report – Karon Trenaman**

No report at this time.

## **6.6 Youth Coordinator's Report: Sandon Fraser**

Sandon Fraser advised of the following:

- I Stand – 75 youth standing for mental health are planning for next year.
- Firefighting applications are due in April. This can apply toward work experience.
- The City has partnered with the City of Vancouver to hire a youth counsellor who will be available in New Westminister on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
- Youth Awards – nominations are being taken in eight categories. There will be live music and food for the event.
- The City of New Westminister is hiring concession staff.

## **6.6 Member Reports**

Members reported participating in the following activities:

- Respect Ed in conjunction with Red Cross anti-bullying workshops.
- Overnight fast fundraiser to fight against child pornography.
- Planning a gala for the Honour Society.
- New You Program to assist new immigrant youth in integrating into the community.
- I Stand Program supporting mental health.
- Track Team
- Green Team

Jason Zhang announced he has been accepted to the University of Chicago political science program this fall.

## **3.0 PRESENTATIONS**

### **3.1 Envision 2032 – Descriptions for Success – Julia Dykstra**

Julia Dykstra reviewed the Envision 2032 Integrated Community Sustainability Plan and then engaged the youth in an exercise to determine their priorities for the community.

## **4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **4.1 2013 Radio Advertisement Update—Sandon Fraser**

This item was deferred to the next agenda.

## **7.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

## **8.0 NEXT MEETING**

**Thursday, April 25, 2013 at 5:00pm—Oak Room, Century House**

## **9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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**JASON ZHANG, CO-CHAIR**

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**DONNA MARTIN  
COMMITTEE CLERK**