

Minutes of the Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee Meeting held Thursday, April 25, 2024 CRD boardroom, 6th floor, 625 Fisgard Street

#### PRESENT:

**Municipal Representatives**: Marie-Térèse Little, Chair (Metchosin); Adam Flint, Vice Chair (View Royal); Jeff Bateman (Sooke); Cynthia Day (Colwood) (EP); S. Duncan (Sidney) (EP); Kimberley Guiry (Langford); Krista Loughton (Victoria); Marcie McLean (Highlands); Esther Paterson (Oak Bay); Rose Stanton (Highlands-Alternate) (EP); Mena Westhaver (Saanich)(EP)

**Capital Regional District (CRD) Representatives**: Cheryl Chaytors; Andrew Holeton (EP); Samantha Rappaport, (EP)

**School District Representatives**: Teri Vanwell (School District 63 Trustee) (EP); Karin Kwan (School District 61 Trustee) EP; Christine Lervold (School District 62 Trustee) (EP)

#### **Resource Members:**

**CRD Staff:** Steve Carey, Senior Manager, Legal & Risk; Sharon Orr, Senior Committee Clerk, Legislative Services; Marnie Essery, Secretary (EP)

**Regrets:** Micayla Hayes (Saanich); Bill McElroy (CRAT); Jack McLintock (North Saanich); Darlene Ratchford (Esquimalt); Jim Rondeau (Central Saanich)

EP - Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 11:32 am.

## 1. Territorial Acknowledgement

A. Flint provided the Territorial Acknowledgement.

### 2. Welcome and Introductions

Introductions were made around the room and online.

#### 3. Resource Agencies

There were no members from the resource agencies in attendance.

## 4. Approval of the Agenda

MOVED by A. Flint SECONDED by M. McLean,

That the agenda for April 25, 2024 Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee meeting be approved.

CARRIED

## 5. Adoption of Minutes

#### 5.1. MOVED by E. Paterson, SECONDED by J. Bateman

That the minutes of the February 22, 2024 Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee A be adopted with the following amendment:

- to add Darlene Ratchford, Jim Rondeau, and Christine Lervold under regrets. CARRIED

# 5.2. Receipt of the Steering Committee meeting notes of February 8, 2024

MOVED by E. Paterson, SECONDED by A. Flint

That the notes of the April 11, 2024 Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Steering Committee be received.

CARRIED

# 6. Chairperson's Remarks

The Chair welcomed the 3 new CRD appointed members in attendance.

# 7. Presentations/Delegations

# 7.1. Ashling Ligate, RN, MEd, BScN Manager of Programs & Services, Victoria Youth Clinic, Foundry Victoria

A. Ligate did not present.

#### 8. Sub-Committee Business

## 8.1. Priorities and Grants (Marcie McLean)

There was no report.

# 8.2. Capital Region Action Team for Sexually Exploited Youth (Bill McElroy)

There was no report.

## 8.3. Family and Youth Matters (Rose Stanton)

R. Stanton spoke to item 8.3. and stated that she attended the Village Presentation last month.

## 8.4. Court Watch (Marie-Terese Little)

- M. Little spoke to 8.4. and noted the following:
- Orca Lelum Youth Wellness Centre north of Nanaimo has introduced a wellness centre on Snaw-Naw-As territory offering detox services specifically for Indigenous youths.
- Aboriginal Coalition to End Homelessness (ACEH) announces Victoria's first culturally supportive housing for Indigenous youth aged 12-19 years old.

## 8.5. Communications (Jeff Bateman)

- J. Bateman spoke to 8.4. and noted the following:
- he encouraged the committee to check the website and social media and provide feedback.
- the UVic Law Centre will be invited back to present to the committee at a future meeting.

#### 9. Treasurer's Report (Esther Paterson)

E. Paterson stated that the CRD financial statement for the year ended 2023 has a surplus balance of \$42,879 in the VFCYJC account. The surplus is higher than the budget estimate of surplus \$39,743 and is mostly due to lower than anticipated grants being awarded to resource agencies.

# 10. New Business

# 10.1 VFCYJC Open House 2024

The Agency Reception will take place on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 from 3-6 p.m. at Victoria City Hall in the Ante Chamber. The invite is being approved by the VFCYJC Executive and will be emailed out shortly. 3 dignitaries have been invited; we are waiting to hear back.

# 10.2. Location and Dates of Upcoming Meetings

Meetings take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 11:30 in the CRD Boardroom, except for the months of March, July, August & December. Upcoming 2024 meeting dates are: May 23, June 27, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28. Meetings take place in person and electronically.

## 11. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no notice(s) of motion.

## 12. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

## 13. Roundtable

An informal roundtable took place.

### 14. Adjournment

MOVED by E. Paterson, SECONDED by K. Loughton, That the April 25, 2024 Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee meeting be adjourned at 12:37 pm. CARRIED