Minutes of the Steering Committee meeting 22nd meeting

Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2008 Place: Heron Road

Present:

- James Williams, Chair
- Euphrasie Emedi, Community Developer
- Al Nowaczek, TCW, Ottawa Community Housing
- Andrea Thomson, Confederation Court Community House
- Bonnie Conlon, Councilor Maria McRae's Office
- Abid Jan, CDF coordinator
- Kelli Tonner, Manager CS/BBBF, SEOCHC
- Kim Seguin, Boys and Girls Club
- Jessica MacAulay, Christie Lake Kids
- Guy Marcoux, OCH
- David Laveridge, OCH
- Sonia Luberti, City of Ottawa
- Cst. Walter Duhme, OPS
- Nick Zeis, City of Ottawa, Albion/Heatherington Rec.
- Mike Dube, City of Ottawa, Jim Durrell/Banff
- Suad Yusuf, YOW
- Gino Vaillancount, YOW
- Michael Pranschke, CAS

Regrets

- Michael Justinich
- Don Sauclit
- Sylvie Manser

INTRODUCTION

There are 9 new Board members. James is back and accepted to chair the steering committee.

1. AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated

2. MINUTES

Corrections were made in the spelling of Emedi instead of Emdi (on page 2) and Vaillancourt instead of Vaillancont (on page 1).

That the minutes of the NCLB Steering meeting Committee held on September 30, 2008 be approved.

CARRIED

3. PROGRESS UPDATE (Oral report)

Abid Jan presented a report on the following matters:

- NCLB City wide:

• Started the implementation of the NCLB approach in 4 local communities: Carlington, Bayshore, West Centre town and

Overbrook-forbes. Carlington is having its first meeting on December 10th.

• Started as 4 tables. The process is going to be similar in other OCHCs. The table will focus on specific issues

- Document for HRSDC:

- Status of the NCLB documentation under HRSDC support project for knowledge sharing is to be finished in January 2009
- Still working on a document concerning what we are doing and where we are going. This is to be finished in January 2009.

- Community level:

- The Russell Heights Community Action Plan was distributed
- The magnet: error in the City number: 311 instead of 211 (but it doesn't matter: people will still get service in calling either number).
- Issues from Banff Community House Director: "Community Police is not working"; need for additional funding for youth.

- Youth Survey:

- Brief presentation on youth survey results different communities comparing year 2007 and 2008.
- The results will be posted and sent to members.

Euphrasie presented a report on specific communities:

- Revived the TA at 1455 Heatherington as well as at Confederation Court (in collaboration with OCH)
- Working on reviving the TA at Heatherington and at 2100 Russell Road.
- Co-facilitated the Russell Heights AGM.
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4. UPDATE ON NCLB-related roles

Kelli reported on the following issue:

- SEOCHC is in a critical period
- Youth (dollar for facilitation for drop in and other activities).
- SEOCHC still has to see how Euphrasie is going to pick up what Abid did.
- Kelli indicated that Abid is still with SEOCHC. Have additional resources from United Way.
- We are in a period of transition: who is doing what in Banff?
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- David (OCH) raised a question about NCLB program sustainability: what's the future of NCLB as Abid is going to be more with the City? Need to have a discussion about where we are going/see if SEOCHC can work with OCH on this.

- Now the TA does no longer have any much support as there was in the past.
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- Abid indicated that there is a meeting on November 27 at the City to bring some ideas about NCLB sustainability.
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- City Rep. said that SEO is an example. CDF is building on NCLB. NCLB program was successful without the City.
- The actual communities must be able to look for their funding for sustainability and not remain dependent.
- CDF is not the same level of service but is still there to support.

5. PARTNERS' REPORTS

Ottawa Police Service

Inspector informed the committee that:

- Great news from the neighborhoods
- 2 officers are doing a fantastic job. 2 other officers are glad to join to be able to do projects or something else
- Last week's meeting on the following issues: do we have a right number of people at a right place?; doing their best to hire more people to do the work; have to be able to replace those who went to serve abroad (there is a problem of movement in the organization); need to have a little bit more direct contact;
- Participated in Day of Caring in Russell Heights
- When people call (613) 236-1222 ext.: 7300 to report incidents, they will be asked to provide their names.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

Kim Seguin informed the committee that the program in Heatherington is packed. There is a struggle of funding for the next year: 70% of the money comes from fundraising. Some activities, such as busing the kids, will no longer be offered. BCG is looking for a multi-year funding.

PARKS AND RECREATION.

Nick indicated that the Heatherington Sports Centre is still to be opened in January 2009. There is a meeting with staff tomorrow on that matter. Possibility to move Heatherington Dinner and Chat in the location to be able to start Homework club 4 days/week in the playgroup.

Mike added that Tuesday evening program for Banff is going well There will be a tournament in mid December Skate: 10 kids have skating lessons Hokey: 15 kids.

Andrea wanted to know why the Confederation Court is not receiving the recreation programs as Banff.

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

Michael informed the committee that he has been going into communities houses, during dinner and chat, to talk about what CAS is, what they do, etc. Some changes to come due to economic problem.

OTTAWA COMMUNITY HOUSING

David Laveridge presented on the following area:

- Day of Caring in Russell Heights: OCH had a budget of \$7,000 but ended up with over \$25,000. Even though, the event was very successful. The video taped by Abid went to the Board: everybody is thankful.

- Russell Heights: Play structure Grand opening is planned for December 15

- Banff/Ledbury: Every tenant is in the moving. Before there were 22 empty units, now there are 32 empty units.

This project has unpredicted consequences: literally torn families apart. How do we bring the programs back? Etc...

- Confederation Court: The money dedicated for the community programs is still to go to the Board for the approval.

TA has to work with the Community House to fill out the forms.

- Fearly/Peddington: started a process of discussion on some local safety issues. This shows the kind of problem we have in Heatherington: i.e. need of program for youth.

COMMUNITY HOUSES

Andrea from the Confederation Court presented on the following area: - Community Foundation is not funding anymore. This is going to hit small children's program.

- TA/OCH joined Holiday Party. This is going to be held on December 12, 2008 at St Louis school, 6:00pm – 8:00pm. 200 peoples are expected.

6. NEXT STEPS

- Work on the sustainability in Banff –
- Introduce the big City's survey to the Banff community. Work on that and bring it back on the table by early next year. Have a strategy for that.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

- A lot of regrets.

8. NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting in going to be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at Heron Road Community Centre, 1480 Heron Road. (To be confirmed)

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

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