



### Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday September 22, 2021 11:30 – 2:00 pm via Zoom

#### In Attendance

##### Municipal Members:

Cynthia Day, (Colwood); Marie-Terese Little, (Metchosin); Jeff Bateman, (Sooke); Marcie McLean, (Highlands); Esther Paterson, (Oak Bay); Daleen Thomas, (Central Saanich); Adam Flint, (View Royal); Lynda Hundleby, (Esquimalt); Barbara Fallot, (Sidney); Marnie Essery, (Recording Secretary).

##### Members at Large:

Bill McElroy, (C.R.A.T.);

**School Districts:** Angie Hentze, (School District #61); Margot Swinburnson, (School District #62); Alicia Holman, (School District #63).

**Resource Persons:** Rachelle Dallaire, (Executive Director, Indigenous Perspectives Society)

**Regrets:** Matt Sahlstrom, (Langford); Ranj Atwal, (Director of Operations, South Vancouver Island Ministry of Children and Family Development); Sarah Potts, (Victoria); Heather Gartshore, (North Saanich),

**Guests:** Steve Carey, (Legal Services CRD)

The Victoria Citizen Representative K. Sloane is now on maternity leave. The City of Victoria Council Representative S. Potts has a conflict with the time of our meetings.

Welcome to the unceded traditional territories of the Coast Saalish Peoples, in whose traditional territories we are blessed to live, work and play.

#### 1) Call to Order-11:31 a.m.

#### 2) Resource Members Updates (including School Districts)

R. Dallaire was welcomed and she shared that she is the Executive Director of Indigenous Perspectives Society. R. Dallaire is from the Montagnais people in the lower part of Quebec. Her father was a residential school survivor, and she and her siblings were taken from him in the Sixties Scoop.

The City of Victoria is hosting an event on September 30 from 12-2 at Centennial Square. R. Dallaire is Master of Ceremony for the event. She will forward the event information to our Secretary to share with VFCYJC members.

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[Xe xe Smun' eem-Victoria Orange Shirt Day: Every Child Matters Ceremony is Sept 30 in Centennial Square | Victoria](#)

R. Dallaire thanked VFCYJC Member A. Hentze for attending the Indigenous Perspectives Society Annual General Meeting.

It was shared that there will be a Reimaging Schools event coming soon in School District 63.

School District 62 shared that there are 600 new students this year.

- 3) **Chair's Remarks** – Membership list role call was taken and Chair C. Day acknowledged the contribution to VFCYJC and the retirement from our committee of Sandra Sarsfield.

R. Dallaire left the meeting.

#### 4) To Approve the Agenda

**MOTION: M. McLean/ E. Paterson**

**NOT CARRIED**

L. Hundleby suggested that we amend agenda to change order to discuss 8a Steve Carey's correspondence re bylaw before working group and priorities.

**MOTION: L. Hundleby/ B. Fallot**

There was discussion on the motion.

**L. Hundleby, B. Fallot, A. Holman, B. McElroy in favour**

**C. Day, J. Bateman, E. Paterson, A. Hentze, A. Flint, D. Thomas, M. Swinburnson, M.T. Little, M. McLean opposed.**

**Motion defeated, agenda not amended**

There was a request to discuss under 8c Steve Carey's attachment.

Chair C. Day stated that there will be no changes to VFCYJC's Constitution and Terms of Reference until our AGM on January 19, 2022.

**To approve September 22 Agenda**

**MOTION: M. McLean/ E. Paterson**

**C. Day, M. T. Little, J. Bateman, A. Flint, D. Thomas, A. Hentze, B. McElroy, M. Swinburnson in favour**

**A. Holman abstained**

**L. Hundleby and B. Fallot opposed**

**CARRIED**

**5) Adoption of Minutes & Receipt of Steering Notes**

**a. To adopt June 16, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION: M. McLean/ D. Thomas**

**CARRIED**

**b. To receive September 8, 2021, Steering Notes**

**MOTION: M.T. Little/E. Paterson**

**CARRIED**

**6) Treasurer's Report for September 22, 2021**

(for the period June 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021)

**Opening Balance April 1, 2021:**

**\$ 19,297.45**

**Expenses:**

Website costs	\$	36.75
Secretarial (Note 3)	\$	1,500.00
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,536.75</b>

**Revenue:**

Interest:	\$	0.00
Total Revenue:	\$	0.00

**Closing Balance August 31, 2021:** \$ 17,760.70

Note 1: Accounts kept on a cash basis.

Note 2: No physical meetings since February 19, 2020

Note 3: Includes retroactive pay as decided at June 16 meeting

Submitted by Bill McElroy, Treasurer

**To accept Treasurers Report**

**MOTION: B. McElroy/ M. T. Little**

**CARRIED**

7) No CRAT Report this month.

**8) CRD Review**

- a. Succession Working Group – Report was attached with the meeting mail out.

E. Paterson acknowledged all members of the committee for their work and input over the summer. S. Carey was thanked for his clarifications.

E. Paterson was thanked for the incredible amount of work she has done.

The only two working groups that have met are Succession Working Group and Priorities Working Group.

A member asked S. Carey where the term limits come from? He stated that most CRD committees have term limits.

Members stated that it might be difficult to find volunteers who have the time to give and experience to share.

There are provisions for exceptional circumstances to extend a committee members term.

Chair shared that the committee appreciates the dedication of its members who are volunteering their time.

A VFCYJC Member appreciated the wisdom and experience you get from long term members.

**Recommendation:** That the Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee adopt the recommendations of the Succession Planning/Meetings Work Group as outlined in the Work Group's August 16, 2021 Report to the VFC&YJ Committee, specific to:

1. Term Limits
2. Committee member numbers and committee appointments (members & volunteers); and
3. Meetings and that the Chair of the VFC&YJ Committee send a letter to the CRD Board and Staff providing the wording of the Committee's resolution and including a copy of the Work Group's Report, dated August 16, 2021.

**To move the Recommendation**

**MOTION: J. Bateman/ M.T. Little**

**CARRIED**

- a. Priorities Working Group – Report Attached

**Recommendation:**

That the minutes with recommendations of August 27, 2021, from the Priorities-Grants Working Group be placed on the Sept. 22, 2021 agenda for consideration of the main committee, and that

The Priorities-Grants Working Group's Recommendations within their report/minutes of August 27, 2021 be supported by the main Committee, and that

the Priorities-Grants Working Group minutes, recommendations and applicable attachments be forwarded to both the CRD Board and CRD Staff in respect of the CRD Review by way of a formal letter from the chair together with any carried motions from the September 22, 2021 meeting.

There was discussion on the motion.

Member appreciates the work the working group has done. A member asked when VFCYJC needs to report back to CRD? The CRD Governance meeting does meet in October. S. Carey stated that there is no rush.

M. Swinburnson left meeting at 12 47 p.m.

Re Priorities there was a suggestion by member for VFCYJC to see where priorities are and identify gaps and invite applications from these groups and make a difference.

It was clarified that anyone who receives a grant from VFCYJC needs to provide a report and is invited to present to VFCYJC and to share the impact the project had and how it helped.

Members shared those gaps are often identified by guest speakers and will be part of the process in our strategic plan which is on the horizon.

**To move the Recommendation**

**MOTION: E. Paterson/ M. T. Little**

**CARRIED**

b. CRD Bylaw – Correspondence was attached with the meeting mail out.

**Recommendation:** That the Draft CRD Delegated Commission Bylaw be forwarded to the working groups for review, and that the working groups provide comment to the next regular meeting.

There was discussion on the proposed motion.

The following information was shared by Mr. Carey:

- The VFCYJC Is managing its own internal affairs.
- Suggested to look at section 19-22 in document he forwarded to VFCYJC
- Suggested registering volunteers and insuring volunteers who are subcommittee volunteers
- October 1 is when you need to get your budget in
- VFCYJC records will be stored by CRD in future
- Commission bylaws can be changed in the future.
- Directors and Officers would not need insurance as you are covered by Local Government Indemnity Act.
  
- If Delegated Bylaw adopted in future VFCYJC might not need Constitution and Terms of Reference.
  
- There are no requirements to have a certain number of people on a commission.
  
- The Governance Committee is very pleased how review is going.

A member stated that Mr. Carey is the CRD Lawyer and not the lawyer for the Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee.

The VFCYJC thanked Mr. Carey for his continued advocacy for our committee.

**To move the Recommendation**

**MOTION: M. McLean/ A. Flint**

**D. Thomas abstained**

**CARRIED**

9) **Good News**-Chair C. Day said the sun is shining and thanked everyone for their participation. She also thanked the CRD for being a great partner.

The next VFCYJC meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 20 from 11:30-2. The meeting dates and times will not change until changes are discussed and voted on at our AGM which will take place on January 19, 2022.

10) **To Adjourn at 1:26 p.m.**

**E. Paterson/M. McLean**

**CARRIED**