

NORTH SHORE SUBSTANCE ABUSE WORKING GROUP

MISSION STATEMENT

The North Shore Substance Abuse Working Group will support community organizations to reduce the impact and incidence of substance abuse on the North Shore through advocacy, collaboration and leadership.

Meeting for Wednesday, June 4th, 2014
5:00 to 7:00 p.m. (A light supper will be provided)
Committee Room, District Hall
355 W. Queens Rd, North Vancouver

MINUTES

Invited:

Tanis Evans, Vancouver Coastal Health
Dr Mark Lysyshyn, NS Medical Health Officer
Trustee Dave Stevenson, WV School District # 45

Cllr Linda Buchanan, Councillor, CNV
Cllr Michael Lewis, Councillor, DWV
Cllr Doug MacKay-Dunn, Councillor, DNV

Arleta Beckett, DWV Staff Liaison
Annie Mauboules, DNV Staff Liaison
Paul Penner, CNV Staff Liaison
Lisa Stalham, DNV Committee Clerk

Apologies:

Trustee Lisa Bayne, NV School District # 44
Cst Nick Bell, WVPD
Cpl Richard DeJong, RCMP
Angela George, Director of Community
Development, Tsleil Waututh
Cllr Alison Morse, Councillor, Bowen Island
Cllr Joanne Ronsley, Councillor, Lions Bay

Quorum was not achieved.

1. Adoption of agenda

- The agenda was agreed by unanimous consent.

2. Adoption of minutes from last meeting (attached)

- As quorum was not reached, adoption of the minutes was postponed until the next meeting.

3. Business arising

- There was no business arising from the minutes that was not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

4. Committee finances

- Paul reported that expenses to date for the year were \$824 bringing the Committee budget to \$34,255. The \$5,000 approved at the last meeting to fund the CMHA proposal had not yet been dispersed and was therefore not yet deducted from the budget.

ACTION: It was agreed that an EOI be requested from CMHA to review prior to issuance of the funds.

5. Terms of Reference, staff

- A draft revised Terms of Reference had been circulated and it was explained that the two key items for consideration were the addition of the Medical Health Officer as a voting member, bringing the votes for Vancouver Coastal Health to two and the amendment to the definition of quorum to be 5 members.

ACTION: Members to pass any suggestions regarding the Squamish delegate to Annie. Annie to get in touch with Tanis and Mark in this regard.

ACTION: Clerk to send electronic vote indicating the recommendation of this subcommittee that the Terms of Reference be approved as amended by the general membership.

6. Staff reports on projects for consideration, staff

- An update was provided on Turning Point's Support Recovery Home.
- The abuse of prescription drugs sparked discussion regarding the scope of the problem locally and the regional effectiveness of broader campaigns in place. It was suggested that an initiative similar to the Anti-Bootlegging Campaign may be appropriate.
 - It was suggested that the focus should be youth with accessibility of prescription drugs being the key issue for the North Shore.

ACTION:

- Tanis can get one of her staff to do a search of the literature to see if there is any data on the broader issue.
- Arleta to contact preventable.ca to see if it is an issue they have looked at.
- Annie to do a follow-up with seniors groups to see if they are concerned about seniors abuse of prescription drugs, Mark already speaking with one group and will include this as a topic for discussion.
- Clerk to circulate the link to the federal program, "First Do No Harm".
- Annie to liaise with Mark to get some speaking points for Cllr MacKay-Dunn for the upcoming Anti-Bootlegging Campaign media launch event.

- A Men's recovery home in the City of North Vancouver had been discussed and CNV staff was considering potential sites.

ACTION: Annie and Paul to meet with Turning Point.

ACTION: Annie to confirm whether the final inspection has been concluded on Dovercourt House.

- Discussion was held with regard to youth drug prevention and education.

ACTION: Share the particulars of the Cycles initiative being worked on for UBC.

ACTION: Include on the next agenda a presentation on the shifting legalities of marijuana

ACTION: The Committee to recommend for a civic youth award next year the student who designed the poster for the 2014 Anti-Bootlegging Campaign.

MOVED and seconded

TO grant the \$675 requested by the North Shore Action on Prevention Task Force for the Anti-Bootlegging Campaign 2014.

Motion passed by those present.

ACTION: Clerk to send an immediate electronic vote for the remaining votes required for the motion.

ACTION: Staff to work with the Anti-Bootlegging Campaign to get the details appropriate to recommend a three year commitment of funding.

7. Date of next meeting

- The next meeting was scheduled for October 1st, 2014.
- Included on the agenda:
 - Prevention, marijuana presentation
 - Staff to return with ideas on the prescription campaign work plan suggestions

8. Any other business

- Cllr MacKay-Dunn would attend the Anti-Bootlegging Campaign on behalf of this Committee.

9. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.