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To engage families and communities in children's healthy early development

Communities for Kids Table

Monday September 20, 2010 at Sonora Community Centre

Attendance: Verla Strawn, Alicia Osland, Maureen Potter, Starla Braithwaite, Hester Brunner, Pat Buckland

Approval of Minutes: noted

Action items:

1. Signage: suggestions to SCC; drafted letter for Gerald Davis
2. AgriSpirit funding: Maureen checked costs
3. Chamber suggestions: tabled
4. Meeting time now 4pm

Balance of Funds: \$137.81

- Discussion re spending this "literacy" money on Books for Babies as Public Health is out of kits; letter has gone out to RCLegion for funds to cover more kits

Motion: to buy as many B4B kits as this fund will cover – Alicia moves; Maureen seconded; all in favour

Action 1: Pat will order from Lethbridge Public Library depot asap

Comm. Facilitators Report:

Standing Item:

Website Updates: nothing new

Ages & Stages pilot project: PH will ask parents if they are ok to be involved with A&S; hoping for a consent at the 3 year check for Ready Set Learn

Members' Reports:

Public Health: Verla

- discussion re B4B and book gifts for children up to 6 years; IH has a proposal for funding for a stand & books for PH for a book exchange in the "child health" room.
- immunizing lots of children; has translation services available for parents

Speech-Language: Hester – Mother Goose planned for the fall

Strong Start: Starla – good start to the year; has set up a facebook for parents

- providing a literacy bag for parents to borrow – ex. 4 bears and their clothing
- planning a pot-luck on Oct 14 from 4-7pm
- set of English & Punjabi language books – through multilingualbooks.com – classics
- SS brochure translated into Punjabi
- Starla's contact phone number is now 495-7248 – please change CFK directory

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Old Business:

Signage: Hester has draft letter to be forwarded to SCC's Gerald Davis (attached); idea – mobile board

Action 2: Maureen will check with Osoyoos Elementary re possibility for board there

National Day of the Child – Saturday November, 20, 2010:

- Osoyoos quilters will put together
- hang at the library on Nov 20 to celebrate
- invite the newspaper
- organize the CFK logo on muslin

Toy Swap: Starla – only one person came to the planned meeting; message out to parents; organize a committee; time – have on the National Day of the Child Nov 20?

Lending Library: Maureen – lots of info from Cranbrook - \$10,000 start up funds from MCFD continue to fund to keep it running with funds through gaming, bingo.

- huge inventory but also include services such as craft cupboard, workshops, etc
- membership fee of \$25 covers cost of new materials

Action 3: ask Corinne Valleau how we might proceed/ may be a future project; could Corinne come to our November meeting?

New Business:

SO Chamber of Commerce: website page in planning

Additions:

Margaret Chadsey, Town Councillor: assigned as Child & Youth rep

Action 4: Pat to invite attend CFK meetings

Next Meeting: Monday Oct 18 at 4 pm at Sonora Community Centre

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