www.communitiesforkids.ca

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

MINUTES
April 27, 2009 Monday at 6:30 p.m. at OK Falls Elementary School

Attending: Sam James, Lindsay Clements, Janet Black, Ruell Smith, Pat Buckland
Regrets: Karen-Ann Atkinson
Introduction: Shari Anderson, Let Them Be Kids – grant application information

Approval of Minutes: approved with amendment – Parenting Wisely ran in Oliver.

Community Facilitator report: passed
Report on funds: Balance $100.86

Presentation:Let Them Be Kids grant - Shari

- *"Let Them Be Kids Initiative* is a first of its kind, nation-wide program that helps communities build playgrounds in areas of need, while also building community capacity amongst citizens "
- June 13 will be the community build day for the "family park" in Kenyon
- Based on "dot macracy" theory: goal is $20,000
- Belair company provides free consultation rel to space, age group critieria, etc
- 3 years and up- component for little tykes; to be named after a local "war hero" – Johnny Bell who is the oldest living member of the Royal Cdn Legion
- Belair is CSA approved/a copy of the agreement is with RDOS
- Check out the Let Them Be Kids website for a description of their vision etc

Motion from the Table: CFK Table to submit interim SB6 funding proposal for Kenyon Park support
Moved by Ruell; seconded by Sam, approved

<u>Success by 6 Evaluation:</u>

- This is the second evaluation done for SB6; last year's was a trial run and not obligatory; this year's evaluation is to be completed by all SB6 initiatives
- The Stakeholder's evaluation form may be done on line
- Last year's stakeholders indicated a preference to complete the survey evaluation while discussing at a Table meeting; forms were distributed; questions were discussed and members were given the option of doing it on-line of completing the hardcopy and returning to Lynn Cook for entry into the process after June 1. Until that point only one evaluation can be done per computer.
- 4 evaluations were completed

<u>Old Business</u>:
Member updates:

Boys & Girls Clubs: Lindsay – Parenting Wisely is happening in Penticton on Tuesday 1:30pm now; with child care at Parkway for anyone interested.

Public Health: Karen-Ann - tabled

Recreation: Janet

- SB6 funds for the Balance and Books program are almost spent – Ruell provided Janet with great book ideas for the 0-6 age group
- Skate board park is set to open on the East side of the new Keogan park
- TBall happening with 16 kids
- Janet from Fit Kids in Penticton is facilitating the gymnastics program – there are 44 kids in the program.

Strong Start: Sam

- Ready Set Learn had 40 kids/29 families turn out – great time had by all
- Suggestion box – coffee afternoon; bucket swing in playground
- PAC redoing school playground for the littlest students on the north side of school – PAC hopes to provide swings for younger age; does not have extra monies for a bouncy ride, would SB6 interim funding fit?
  Motion from the Table: that CFK OK Falls Table apply for SB6 interim project funds (up to $1,000) to provide a bouncy ride for this park
  Moved by Janet, seconded by Lindsay, approved by all
  Action: Sam to approach PAC or OK Mini School re non-profit status to accept funds

Signage: Pat to collect more samples and information

<u>New Business</u>:

CFK Family Fair event for 0-6 only: suggestion that with the 2 school events that already happen for all ages it might be more appropriate to have an event that coincides with the Friday Tumble Bumble. Open to further discussion.

HUB: Table approves Christine Schwartz's request to visit the Table to discuss the HUB concept.

SB6 ads: noted on TV with Pamela Martin (CTV?) ads at 1:19am and 5pm– topic examples: Setting the table and getting along; children and storytelling

Next Meeting Date: May 11, 2009