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

Minutes

Oliver Community for Kids Monday September 28, 2009

Present: Hope Miller, Laurene Sloboda, Jen Jensen, Barbara Joy Taggart, Pat Buckland
Regrets: Jim Insley, Vicky White, Dana Bedard
Minutes approved – passed

- Business arising from the minutes:
  1. Tour arranged for Boundary Family Centre/s on Oct 1 – Hope Mendes, Christine Schwartz, Mike Safek and Pat B to tour Rock Creek Elementary
  2. HUB meeting on Jul 20
  3. Action: Pat to check with Jen Anderson @ B&G re Mother Goose training - tabled

Additions: Nobody's Perfect information – Barbara Joy
- There will be 6 sessions of NP starting Oct 15 at 11:15am
- Program is for isolated, limited budget, lower education etc. Parents
- MCFD, B&G and Tippy Toes may know parents who would benefit from NP

Members' Reports:

Little Wonders preschool at St. John's Lutheran church: Jen
- Preschool in the mornings; child care in the afternoons
- Serene Knippelberg is Manager
- Currently taking enrolments – filling fast; hope to be open Nov 1

Boys & Girls Club:
- Be An Angel Christmas Hampers – Oct 12: referral forms will be ready; Nov 27 is deadline for referrals – there were 49 families helped in SO last year with food, toys and games
- Spaghetti dinner on Thursday Oct 1/5-7pm at the Oliver Cadet Hangar for 50 year celebration – thank you to community
- Lend a Hand program with McDonald's restaurant is fund raiser for B&G – buy a $2 handprint

I Old Business:

a) SB6 proposal update: OFTI transportation status – Laurene
-car seat – funds have been increased twice because of demand; approx. $500 left so will need to apply for more transferred $
-gas vouchers – fewer used than hoped but are starting; suggestion to use both of the gas stations – only one being used so far
-long distance medical – one paid out for $359 for a baby to go to Vancouver's Children's hospital
-planned meeting for partners on Oct 21 or 22 to discuss OFTI and sustainability
-Walmart has new management who is not aware of discount for car seats

Action: Laurene to check with management to confirm discount

b) SB6 proposal: Mother Goose & Evening with Mother Goose – Theresa -
Pat reports that SB6 funding approved for a Mother Goose program at SPC with OIB; open to anyone in Oliver and a spring evening program

c) SB6 proposal: Community Gardens/Kitchen – completed; report to be submitted

d) Signage: tabled

New Business:

- ECD Community Evaluation – to be completed by Nov 15; next meeting for planning

Next Meeting Date: Monday October 26/09 at **4pm** at School Board office – note change of time!