



Council/School Board Liaison Committee

Date: January 17, 2018
Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall
Present: Councillor Alexa Loo, Chair
Councillor Linda McPhail
Trustee Donna Sargent
Trustee Debbie Tablotney (entered at 9:07 a.m.)
Trustee Alice Wong
Absent: Trustee Ken Hamaguchi
Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA ADDITIONS

The Chair advised that Adolescent Mental Health Support in Richmond will be considered as Item No. 7A, High School Concert Series as Item No. 7B, Draft Affordable Housing Strategy as Item No. 7C, and Cannabis Regulation within the City of Richmond as Item No. 7D.

It was moved and seconded

That the Council/School Board Liaison Committee agenda for the meeting of January 17, 2018, be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Council/School Board Liaison Committee held on November 8, 2017, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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STANDING ITEMS

1. TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Donna Chan, Manager, Transportation Planning, COR, noted that the school's principal is the primary contact to communicate traffic safety concerns in the school. It was further noted that a response can be made directly to the Richmond District Parents' Association (RDPA) regarding broad traffic safety concerns; however traffic concerns related to a specific school should be directed to the school's principal.

It was moved and seconded

That the update on the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee be received for information.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING & NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Tablotney entered the meeting (9:07 a.m.).

2. CHILDCARE SERVICES ADVOCACY

Coralys Cuthbert, Child Care Coordinator, COR, spoke on new and proposed childcare facilities in the city, including facilities on the Cadence development near the Richmond Olympic Oval, the Fantasy Gardens site in the Ironwood Area, and the former Steveston High School site.

Concern was raised regarding challenges to staff childcare facilities and the potential loss of childcare space to redevelopment. Ms. Cuthbert noted that the City is in consultation with the Province to support child care programs and that once census data is received, the City will be updating childcare demand and supply information.

It was moved and seconded

That the update on the Childcare Services Advocacy be received for information.

CARRIED

3. CULTURAL HARMONY PLAN: GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Kim Somerville, Manager, Community Social Development, COR, reviewed the proposed Cultural Harmony Plan Guiding Principles, noting that recommendations will be drafted following examination of best practices and existing services levels. She added that the School District and other multicultural organizations were consulted on the proposed plan.

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It was moved and seconded

That the update on Cultural Harmony Plan: Guiding Principles be received for information.

CARRIED

4. **CITY OF RICHMOND – TRANSLINK TRAVELSMART PARTNERSHIP – COMPLETION OF PILOT PROGRAM**

Ms. Chan reviewed the City of Richmond TransLink Travelsmart Partnership Pilot Program, noting that (i) the Program is a TransLink initiative with involvement from the City and the School District, (ii) the Program is a pilot project that involves creating customized travel plans for three schools, (iii) the plans in the Program includes information that encourages walking and cycling, (iv) stakeholders such as ICBC, the Richmond RCMP, HUB Cycling, the schools' principals, and the schools' PAC provided input on the Program (v) the City's area of responsibility includes pedestrian infrastructure improvements, parking restrictions and traffic calming measures, and (vi) City staff will conduct detailed reviews on the proposed measures.

Discussion ensued with regard to (i) working with ICBC, the School District and the RDPA to re-establish walking and cycling programs, (ii) coordinating with TransLink to improve east-west bus routes and service to the Hamilton area, (iii) expanding the City's cycling lane network, (iv) identifying available cycling lanes near schools, and (v) coordinating with TransLink to continue the Travelsmart program.

It was moved and seconded

That the update on City of Richmond – Translink Travelsmart Partnership – Completion of Pilot Program be received for information.

CARRIED

5. **TRAFFIC SAFETY CONCERNS AT HOMMA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Ms. Chan noted that City staff has scheduled a meeting with Homma Elementary School's principal to discuss traffic safety concerns.

It was moved and seconded

That the update on Traffic Safety Concerns at Homma Elementary School be received for information.

CARRIED

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6. ELECTION RESERVE AND ADVANCE PLANNING FOR THE 2018 ELECTION

David Weber, Director, City Clerk's Office, COR, briefed Committee on the Election Reserve and Advance Planning for the 2018 Civic Election, noting that the 2018 Civic Election will be divisional based and the City will coordinate with the School District on utilizing school facilities. He added that the City will examine potential adjustments to divisional boundaries based on population changes in the city.

Discussion ensued with regard to community and student engagement in the 2018 Civic Election. It was noted that CIVIX, a non-profit organization promoting the Student Vote Program, approached the Lower Mainland local election officers planning group. It was suggested that CIVIX be invited to present to the Committee at a future Council/School Board Committee meeting.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Weber noted that (i) candidate resources will be available on the City's website and will be included in the nomination packages, (ii) election guides will available to the public and are available in English, French, Chinese and Punjabi, and (iii) electors are permitted to bring a translator to the polling place.

Discussion then ensued with regard to updating the newcomer's guide and collaborating with community organizations to encourage election engagement.

It was moved and seconded

That the update on Election Reserve and Advance Planning for the 2018 Election be received for information.

CARRIED

7. AMENDMENTS TO LOCAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCING LEGISLATION

Mr. Weber noted that Elections BC is working to update their online guides and that Elections BC is able to respond to queries related to the amendments.

It was moved and seconded

That the update on Amendments to Local Election Campaign Financing Legislation be received for information.

CARRIED

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7A. ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT IN RICHMOND

With the aid of presentation notes (attached to and forming part of these minutes as Schedule 1), Richard Steward, Director of Instruction – Learning Services, SD 38, spoke on Adolescent Mental Health Support in Richmond, noting that (i) mental illnesses are underreported which can lead to underfunding of mental health programs, (ii) the severity of mental illnesses is growing and impacts students of all ages, (iii) School District staff will be trained to identify mental health issues, and (iv) mental health will be part of the school curriculum.

Cllr. McPhail left the meeting (10:29 a.m.) and returned (10:31 a.m.).

Discussion ensued with regard to (i) online resources for information on mental health, (ii) supporting initiatives to increase mental health awareness, and (iii) organizing a coordinated approach with senior levels of government and community groups to target resources supporting mental health programs.

It was moved and seconded

That the presentation on Adolescent Mental Health Support in Richmond be received for information.

CARRIED

7B. HIGH SCHOOL CONCERT SERIES

Background information on the High School Concert Series was distributed (attached to and forming part of these minutes as Schedule 2).

The Chair spoke on the 2017 High School Concert Series that took place as part of the Canada 150 celebrations, noting that there is interest to continue the event in 2018.

It was moved and seconded

That the Council/School Board Liaison Committee supports in principle the continuation of the High School Concert Series for 2018.

CARRIED

7B. DRAFT AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGY

Ms. Somerville noted that consultation for the draft Affordable Housing Strategy will commence in January 2018 and an online survey will be available on Let's Talk Richmond. She added that the staff report can be distributed to the School Board and that City staff can present the Affordable Housing Strategy at a future School Board meeting.

It was moved and seconded

That the update on the City of Richmond's Affordable Housing Strategy be received for information.

CARRIED

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7B. CANNABIS REGULATION WITHIN THE CITY OF RICHMOND

The Chair noted that the City provided feedback to Health Canada expressing that the cultivation and production of cannabis should be restricted to industrial zones and that the use of cannabis should be limited to those who are of legal age. It was noted that the City is working with Vancouver Coastal Health to gather information on potential health issues that may arise from the proposed legalization of cannabis.

Discussion ensued with regard to advocating the Province to address concerns related to cannabis education and how the proposed cannabis regulations may impact the School District.

It was moved and seconded

That the update on Cannabis Regulation Within the City of Richmond be received for information.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

March 7, 2018 (tentative date) at 9:00 a.m. in the Anderson Room.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (10:57 a.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the City of Richmond Council/School Board Liaison Committee held on January 17, 2018.

Councillor Alexa Loo
Chair

Evangel Biason
Legislative Services Coordinator
City Clerk's Office

Adolescent Mental Health Support In Richmond

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Richard Steward
Director of Instruction – Learning Services
Richmond School District



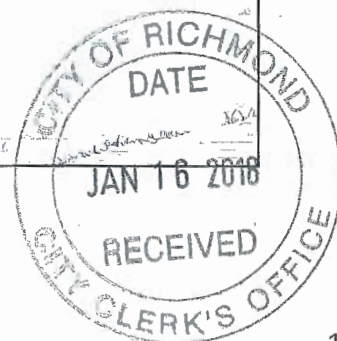
PREVALENCE OF MENTAL DISORDERS IN YOUNG PEOPLE: WHO IS IN YOUR CLASSROOM?

Population Prevalence

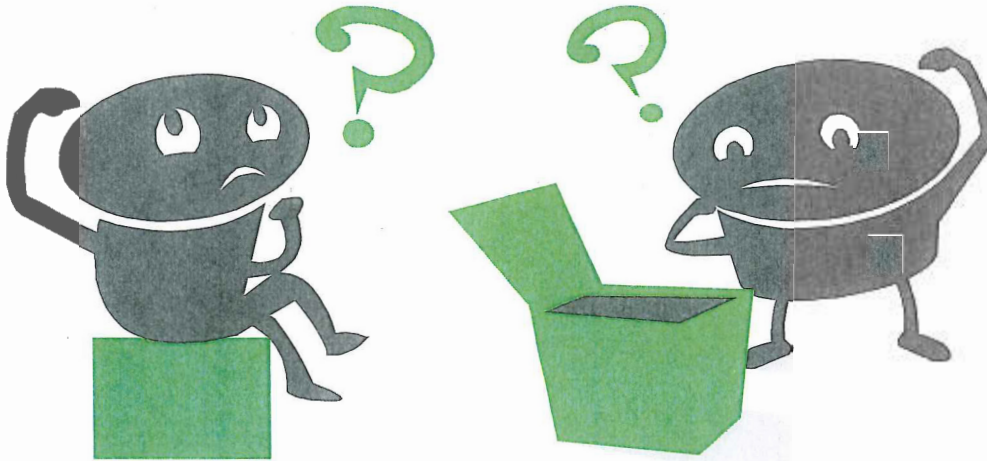
Depression (4-6%)
Psychosis (0.5-1.0%)
Anxiety Disorders (6-10%)
ADHD (4-6%)
Anorexia Nervosa (0.1-0.2%)
Total (15 – 20%)
SUICIDE: 4-7/100,000

Translation to the “average” Classroom

Depression (1 - 2)
Psychosis (rare)
Anxiety Disorders (1 - 3)
ADHD (1-3)
Anorexia Nervosa (rare)
Total (3 – 5)
SUICIDE: RARE



WHAT IS MENTAL HEALTH LITERACY



MENTAL HEALTH LITERACY: the FOUR components

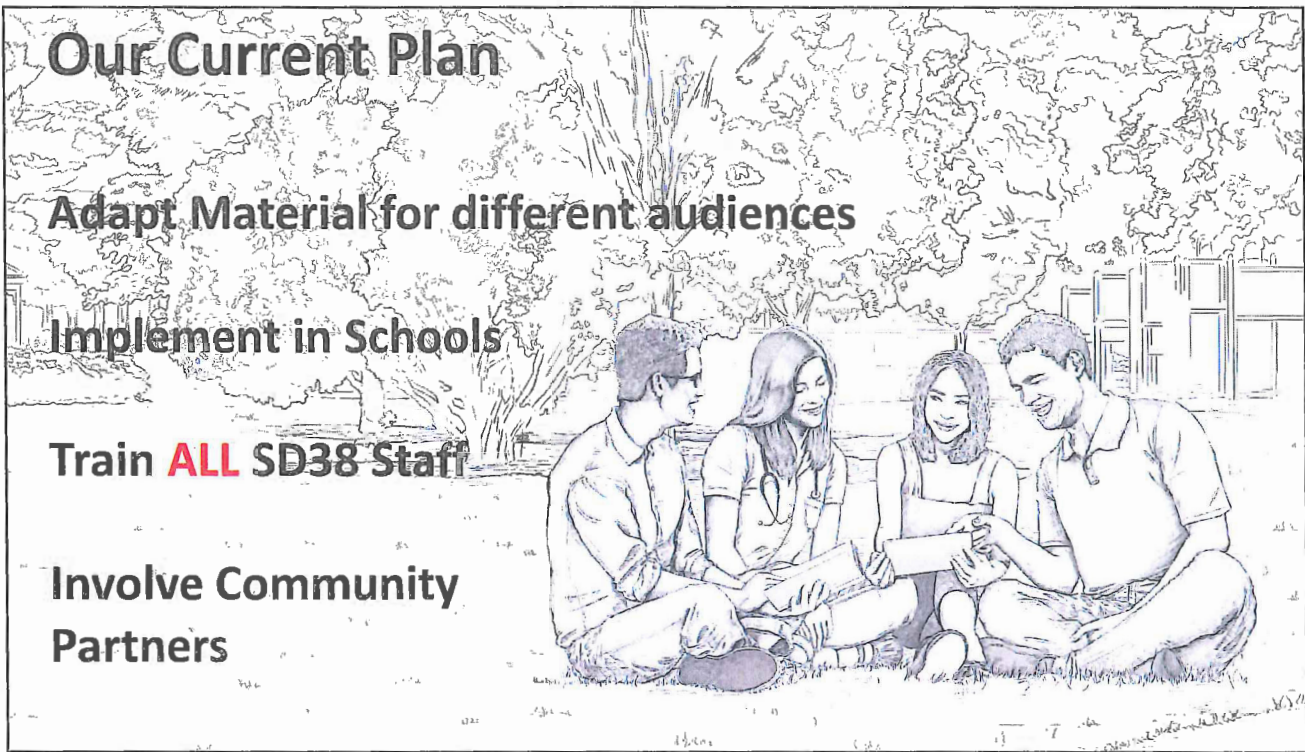
- Understand how to obtain and maintain good mental health
- Understand and identify mental disorders and their treatments
- Decrease stigma
- Enhance help-seeking efficacy: know where to go; know when to go; know what to expect when you get there; know how to increase likelihood of “best available care” (skills and tools)

MENTAL HEALTH LITERACY IS...

- Component of health literacy – very strong independent factor improving health outcomes of populations and people
- Foundation for health promotion, prevention and ongoing care
- Able to be taught (to teachers and students alike)
- Ideally taught in schools (that is what schools do)
- A life-long skill that can be used for self, family, friends, others

PURPOSE OF THE TRAINING

- Understanding the basics about mental health literacy (knowledge, attitudes/stigma, help-seeking efficacy)
- Assist those who work with adolescents in identification, triage, support and referral of students who may be experiencing a mental disorder.



Involving Our Community

PROPOSED Spring 2018 Sessions with Dr. Stan Kutcher

- 1. Full day session on Mental Health Literacy for those directly supporting youth in Richmond.**
- 2. Two day 'train the trainer' training on Adolescent Mental Health curriculum**
- 3. Executive briefing for senior leaders**



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Any questions,
comments or
suggestions?

Biason, Evangel

From: Loo, Alexa
Sent: Tuesday, 16 January 2018 11:52
To: Biason, Evangel
Subject: High School Concert Series

The High School Concert Series (HSCS) was a program of the Canada 150. It was funded by the federal government through a grant. The program appeared to be very successful in engaging students and building event production and volunteer capacity in our youth.

The HSCS went to nine of the ten schools with Richmond High opting out. We went to Hugh Boyd twice (because they had a rainy day for their Spring concert).

The budget averaged \$4000 per show and for a total overall budget of \$40,000 (federally funded). Staffing costs were on top of that amount (covered by the Canada 150 budget). Most of the budget went to hiring the band, DJ, yoyo performer, and/or hip hop crew. Costs were also incurred to rent the audio equipment and/or pay for the audio tech.

Council passed a motion to look at funding a HSCS in 2018. Should the School Board be supportive of continuing this program, we can move forward together to determine scope and funding.

Sent from my iPad

