
**Board Update
May - June 2022**

Staff and office

- HSW mid-term evaluation conducted
- Started to explore other options for job postings as Indeed is definitely not as effective as it was a year ago. Re-activated Whitevalley's Job Bank registration and attending the SharED below
- 2 SharED trainings
 - o Boards of Directors - 'How not to get Sued' (Julie, Christine and myself)
 - o "A Brave New Employment World", subtitle "What Employers Need to Know to About Emerging Workplace Norms." (Christine and myself)

Finance/Funding

- 6 narrative/statistical reports and 5 financial reports submitted to funders
- June Finance meeting to be held June 15th – notes to follow for Board review
- Community Foundation North Okanagan application for Sage and Child Care software approved in full.

Seniors

- Field trips have started up again. Very much appreciated by the seniors; they are making a huge difference in their lives.
- Seated meal attendance increasing slowly
- Intergenerational Crafting Together event
- **STILL IN DESPERATE NEED OF VOLUNTEERS!**

Counselling

- Waitlist at 8
 - o AC- 2
 - o FSW - 4
 - o MH/D&A - 2
- Parenting Group underway. Running May 30 to June 20. The crock pots, dinner and take home meals very well received
- Sharon Storms will be taking Connect Parent - Developed by Marlene Moretti, Professor and Canada Research Chair, in collaboration with government stakeholders and mental health practitioners, this evidence based, manualized 10-week program promotes social, emotional and behavioural adjustment and attachment security in children and youth between the ages of 8 and 18 years of age. Different versions of the program are available for use with parents, kinship and foster carers, and for staff working in group home, residential and hospital settings.

Programs

- Met with RDNO re: future of Lumby Preschool. It has been a significant challenge to find an ECE and an ECEA to run the program. Plan to meet with jiminy Crickets again to see if there is a possibility to partner to deliver the program. They will also be using the preschool room for birthday parties so it will need to be "cleaned up" and any of Kara's items will need to find new storage spots – which could be a challenge.

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- Met with new Regional Coordinator for the TAPS program. Presented the idea that some of the material funds be put towards building new garden beds for the Community Garden in the new location
- Met with United Way of BC re: “Schools Out” funding opportunity to provide free after school spots. This funding would provide up to \$25,000 for the program.
- Seniors Intergenerational crafting event – organized and facilitated by the HSW Practicum and the ASP staff.
- Youth group to start June 17th and will run until the end of summer. As the start has been pushed back, it is now past the end date for the practicum student. She has been a great asset and has now been offered employment after her practicum to assist with the group. I also feel that she would be an excellent fit for the vacant SBO position in September as she will have completed her Child and Youth Support Worker diploma.
- Have advertised for 2 positions to run the Cherryville Summer Day Camp – only 1 resume so far for the assistant
- Youth Cooking/MH group started. Very successful with mostly boys signed up!
- Working on a partnership with Cherryville to use their bus for senior field trips
- Attended Local Action Committee – this group meets to share information, training, etc. in support of youth

Respectfully submitted, Wendy Gilbert