



## CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

Thursday, November 26, 2015

A meeting of the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee (CYFAC) was held on Thursday, November 26, 2015, at 5:40 pm, in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Yasmin Ali, Co-Chair  
Nico Cullen-McKnight  
Joy Fan, Co-Chair  
Lena Hozaima  
Aaron Leung  
Iris Liu  
Christy Lo  
Tasha Nijjar  
Mab Oloman  
Samantha Truong  
Wenyong Wu  
Anna Zhang  
Joy Zhou, Co-Chair

**ABSENT:** Janice Douglas (Leave of Absence)  
Andrea Gatti  
Diamond Isinger (Leave of Absence)  
Anthony Leo  
Eric Wong (Leave of Absence)  
Frank Yan (Leave of Absence)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Councillor Elizabeth Ball, Council Liaison  
Trustee Fraser Ballantyne, School Board Liaison  
Eric Kowalski, Staff Liaison, Social Policy

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Leslie Tuerlings, Meeting Coordinator

#### 1. ADMINISTRATION

##### a) Attendance

The Meeting Coordinator took attendance.

**b) Leave of Absence Requests**

MOVED by Joy Fan  
SECONDED by Aaron Leung

THAT the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee approve leaves of absence for Janice Douglas, Diamond Isinger, Eric Wong and Frank Yan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**c) Minutes of September 24, 2015, for Approval**

MOVED by Joy Fan  
SECONDED by Christy Lo

THAT the minutes of the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee meeting held on September 24, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2. Approval of 2016 Meeting Dates**

MOVED by Mab Oloman  
SECONDED by Samantha Truong

THAT the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee approve the following schedule of meetings and working sessions:

<b>ALL THURSDAYS</b>	
No meeting in January	
February 18	Regular Meeting
March 24	Working Session
April 14	Regular Meeting
May 12	Working Session
June 2	Regular Meeting
July 7	Regular Meeting
No meeting in August	
September 8	Regular Meeting
October 6	Working Session
November 10	Regular Meeting
December 8	Working Session

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. Presentations**

a) David Suzuki Foundation

Winnie Hwo and Kyle Empringham, Engagement Specialists with the David Suzuki Foundation, provided presentations on their organizations sustainable diversity work and Camp Suzuki, and responded to questions.

b) Chinatown Coalition

Kevin Huang of the Hua Foundation, and Doris Chow and Kathryn Gwun-Yeen Lennon of the Youth Collaborative for Chinatown, provided presentations on how they are engaging Chinese-Canadian citizens in Chinatown, and responded to questions.

**4. Working Session Feedback**

None.

**5. Update on First Call's Poverty Report**

Mab Oloman provided brief comments on First Call's Poverty Report and suggested inviting Adrenne Montani, to present on the topic at a joint Committee meeting between the CYFAC, Women's Advisory Committee, Seniors Advisory Committee and the Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee.

**6. Update on Committee Vacancies**

The Meeting Coordinator provided an update on the status of filling vacancies.

**7. City of Vancouver Welcoming Refugees**

Social Policy Staff and Councillor Ball provided an overview of the City's commitment to assist Syrian Refugees in settling in the Lower Mainland.

**8. New Business**

a) \$10aDay Childcare Plan

Yasmin Ali provided an overview of the \$10aDay Childcare Plan.

MOVED by Samantha Truong  
SECONDED by Lena Hozaima

THAT the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee endorse the \$10aDay Childcare Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**b) Paige Report**

Bill Naughton, BC Representative for Children and Youth, will provide an overview of the Paige Report at the Committee's next working session.

**c) Professional Art Organizations in Vancouver**

Councillor Ball noted that many of these organizations work exclusively with youth and families and would be interested in presenting to the Committee.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Christy Lo  
SECONDED Joy Zhou

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Next Regular Meeting:**

DATE: Thursday, February 18, 2015  
TIME: 5:30 pm  
PLACE: Town Hall, First floor, City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 7:26 pm.

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