

Present:

Chair – Councillor Steele
M. Cross, Options
S. Jahan-Chaudhary, DIVERSEcity
S. Match, Community Engagement
and BC Responsible Gambling
S. McIntosh, Seniors Come Share
Society
A. Rutherglen, BC Securities
Commission
K. Weber, Realty Watch Fraser
Valley Real Estate Board
P. Petrala, Semiahmoo Planning
D. Darrell, Sources
Dr. B. Lalli
A. Sharma, DIVERSEcity

Absent:

Councillor Martin
Councillor Rasode
J. Li, BBB Biz Development
K. Noonan, Cosco
J. Schmalz, BCCEAS
K. Dhillon, Seniors Come
Share Society
L. Lange, Fraser Health –
Adult Abuse & Neglect
K. Bakshi

Staff Present:

J. Tyler, Senior Services Rep, Community &
Recreation Services Manager, Guildford
S. Tosdevine-Tataryn, CSC2, Fleetwood
M. Drozda, RCMP Dist. 2, Crime Prevention
Programs Coordinator
P. Leblanc, RCMP Dist. 5, Crime Prevention
Programs Coordinator
S. Caley, RCMP Dist. 5, CSO
A. Gill, RCMP Dist. 3, CSO
R. Cross, Surrey Fire Services
H. Dmytriw, Legislative Services

Guest:

Jenny Lam, SUCCESS

A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was

Moved by P. Petrala

Seconded by S. Jahan-Chaudhary

That the minutes of the Seniors Advisory &

Accessibility Committee meeting of October 11, 2012, be adopted.

Carried

B. DELEGATION**C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS****1. Mobile Outreach Project / Housing Workshops**

UBCM Grant funds are being reapplied for to continue these initiatives and to develop a workshop series for caregivers.

A meeting was held with the project members to determine the various seniors groups in Surrey that meet during the day. Mobile Outreach representatives will meet again in November to determine the areas to take the Mobile Outreach Project to.

2. Focus on Seniors Forums Update

- September 15, 2012 - Punjabi Forum at Newton Recreation Centre. Summary of feedback comments will be emailed to the committee members.

- October 13, 2012 – Urdu Forum - cancelled due to a lack of registrants.
- October 27, 2012 – English Forum at Newton Recreation Centre gym. Feedback comment sheets were provided on table.

**Future Forums -
2012 Schedule -**

- November 17, 2012 – in Mandarin, at Guildford Recreation Centre @ 10:00 am. Event details were discussed including advertising, volunteers, registration, refreshments, videos, and the master of ceremonies.
- December 1, 2012 – in English, at South Surrey Recreation Centre is organized and ready to go.

2013 Schedule -

- February 23, 2013 – in English - at Cloverdale Recreation Centre
- March 16, 2013 – in Spanish – at Chuck Bailey Recreation Centre - have 60 people already lined up
- April, 2013 – in Punjabi - *TBD*
- Aboriginal – *date TBD*
- Muslim – *date TBD*
- Caregivers, Family & Younger Generation Forum – *date TBD*
- CNIB and Institute for the Deaf – *date TBD*

Suggestions for future forums were discussed, with the following comments made:

- Forum formats to remain similar but vary the information being presented in the New Year; vary the videos used (switch up *Finding a Future for Ellen* and use *Money Matters*);
- Highlight the videos on the posters to advertise the topic of each Forum; and
- Continue to retain the same legal advisor.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. 2013 SAAC Meeting Schedule

It was Moved by S. Jahan-Chaudhary
Seconded by P. Petrala
That the Seniors Advisory & Accessibility
Committee meeting schedule for 2013, be received.
Carried

2. Committee Member Updates

- **BC Crime Prevention Week – November 1-7, 2012**
 - Crime Prevention Week is an opportunity for families, schools, businesses and neighbourhoods to work together to create safer streets in every community. It is also a chance to acknowledge the many dedicated British Columbians who make significant contributions to crime prevention and community safety.

- One of the highlights was that the Ministry of Justice Community Safety and Crime Prevention presented awards to honour citizens who have demonstrated how commitment, perseverance and innovation in crime prevention can build safe communities where families can thrive. SAAC member Marlene Drozda was presented with the *Queen's Jubilee Award* at the main ceremony.
- The SAAC presentation to the Crime Prevention symposium was excellent and well received. There was a lot of interest and questions from the audience.
- Nanaimo RCMP Constable Gary Rime wants a SAAC member to go to Nanaimo to provide the presentation regarding Surrey's Seniors Advisory & Accessibility Committee.
- One of the Vancouver City Police Constables will attend the English Forum in Surrey on February 23, 2013.
- **Advocacy Office –**
 - Advocacy office staff have not heard from the Province regarding a Seniors Advocate but the plan is to ensure this issue is on the agenda when the Legislative Assembly is in session. To have an Advocacy office in Surrey would be beneficial, but there will need to be resources allocated for training and support including allocating space to host a provincial advocacy office.
- **Focus on Seniors Forums –**
 - Amar Gill will be setting up two hour mini Forums at senior centres and the Indo-Canadian Seniors at PICS Assisted Living venue. These seniors are the most vulnerable. The two hour workshops will start in January. All the seniors in these areas can be reached within a month by having the workshop every week.
 - Councillor Steele and Sue Caley, Community Services Officer are to meet with the First Nations group on November 21, 2012 to discuss a Forum.
- Mike Starchuk will replace Ron Cross at Surrey Fire. mastarchuk@surrey.ca

E. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

F. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Interoffice memo, dated October 11, 2012 from GM, Parks, Recreation and Culture regarding Seniors Forums, was received as information.

G. INFORMATION ITEM

1. Department of Finance Canada – Economic and Fiscal Implications of Canada's Aging population, was received as information.

H. OTHER BUSINESS

I. NEXT MEETING

The December SAAC meeting will be carried forward to January; however a December meeting could be called if deemed necessary. Susan Caley, Community Services Officer and Sahra-Lea Tosdevine-Tataryn, Community Services Coordinator-North Surrey will arrange the agenda for the December 1, 2012 Forum and will also speak with Joyce Schmalz to update her.

Christmas luncheon - Tuesday, December 4, 2012 – venue *TBD*

The next Seniors Advisory & Accessibility Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 10, 2013.

J. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by S. Jahan-Chaudhary
Seconded by K. Weber
That the Seniors Advisory & Accessibility

Committee meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The Seniors Advisory & Accessibility Committee adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Chairperson, Councillor Steele
Seniors Advisory & Accessibility Committee