

**BCRPA REGIONAL MEETING**  
**November 2, 2007 1-4PM**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Please Sign In:  
NAME (PRINT)

ORGANIZATION

Heath Mahoney	City of Coquitlam
Kevin Near	City of Port Moody
Jim Tyler	City of Surrey
Marty Benson	City of Surrey
Tom Prelowski	City of Coquitlam
Chris Siddaway	City of Coquitlam
Andre Kolber	City of Pitt Meadows
Christine Smith	Red Cross
Shelley Dalke	Red Cross
Carol Lepine	City of Richmond
Barry Bukin	City of Port Coquitlam
Tracy Miyashita Meadows	City of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows
Chris Gain	City of Abbotsford PRC
Jason Haight	City of New Westminister
Linda Finch	City of White Rock
Diane Perry	City of New Westminister
David Leavers	Township of Langley

2) Suzanne – BCRPA Presentation

Sectoral Strategic Plan

- Should be available in February to look over and be ratified at AGM in April
- Bringing all stakeholders together to advance P&R Sector

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

- 2008 at symposium
- speech Recognitions of Pioneers and Trail Blazers

Strategic Plan

- Provide clarity for enhancing
- Quality of life

- See attached presentation for more information

Q&A for Suzanne

- Tell us more about the baseline for 20% by 2010 (Active Comm.)
  - Regional information examined annually
  - 24 member communities baseline study done

-What is the BCRPA planning to do about the low numbers of trained fitness instructors coming out of program?

- working with high schools/ colleges and universities.
- what are you hearing out of Ottawa around infrastructure renewal?
  - nothing but working with national and ???
  - advocacy (task force)
- preschool licensing?
  - BCRPA has good relationship with the province around recreation programs
- Revenue Canada description for tax savings?
  - Suzanne will look into it
  - send Dave L information
  
- All schools must provide 30 minutes of physical activity for each child per day.
  - Suzanne will be advocating P & R as assistance in this.
  
- BCRPA posted a submission to the conversation on health
  - Available to view on website

5) Format for Future meetings –

- o The idea was presented to have “Hot topic” discussions,
- o Presenters
- o Help requested to assist in getting information out
- o Regional round up – Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> deadline

Updates & Roundtable

POMO

- problems with staffing
- Health – lack of fitness staff too.

Employee Wellness

- Richmond - \$12 month
  - Special trips
- White Rock
  - \$10/mo – 2 programs per session
- Abbotsford
  - Employee Volunteer 1.5 hrs which = 1 month of free use with some

limitations

- o on fitness programs
- New Westminster
  - Free fitness programs – families and spouses
  
- Ridge Meadows
  - Discount
- Coquitlam
  - Developing a holistic wellness program including information
  - Lunch programs
  - Lunch and Learn

- 50% of drop in
- Red Cross
  - Prevention and disease transmission
  - Online learning (Pandemic Planning)
  - Steps out physical activity type initiative

Staff Retention:

- Coquitlam – try to bundle shifts to make more attractive
  - Problem getting people to want to certify for aquafit.
- Ridge Meadows –contracting out aquafit
- Richmond –problem with using life guards is they don't really want to do it

IDEA - Have a facility tour at the beginning or end of meeting to allow individuals to take the opportunity to view other facilities.

Facility Updates

- TOL – Joint use Facility underway on 200<sup>th</sup> street south of the highway.
- POMO – Still in the works
- Coq – Chimo Pool Replacement
  - Dogwood Expansion
  - Glen Pine Pavilion Opening soon
- Richmond-speed oval
  - enormous facility
- Surrey - Holland park (name?)
  - Near Whalley City Centre
  - Redevelopment
  - Tree Removal
  - 21 Acre Urban Park
  - Partnership
  - Cultural Capital of Canada
  - Outdoor “Senior” Playground
    - Tswassen has it
    - Surrey not going there yet
- POCO-Outdoor bike trails
  - Community Development process – Beg/Int/Adv
- Ridge Meadows - Trails network process

8) Meeting Times and Dates

Next Meeting: Late Winter/Early Spring