

AGENDA

November 21st, 2014

- 1. Approval of Agenda**
- 2. Approval of AGM 2013 Minutes**
- 3. Board Reports (in print)**
- 4. Old Business**
 - a. ASL Storybook App**
 - b. ASL Immersion**
- 5. New Business**
 - a. International Deaf Film Festival**
 - b. Logo contest**
 - c. BCCSD Brochure**
 - d. Appreciation Party**
 - e. Deaf Youth Paper**
 - f. Senior Citizen Paper**
 - g. ?**
- 6. Election**
- 7. Announcements**



BC Cultural Society of the Deaf – Annual General Meeting Minutes

5-6:30 PM May 3, 2013 – Room 2201, Douglas College, New Westminster

Astrid Evensen-Flanjak called the meeting to order at 5:29pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Sarah Anne Hrycenko moves that the agenda be approved as read. Jamie Finley seconds. All in favor. Passed.

2. Approval of AGM 2012 Minutes

Jamie Finley moves to accept AGM 2012 Minutes as read. Karen Foot seconds. All in favor. Passed.

3. Board Reports

President (Astrid Evensen Flanjak)

Adopt-a-Sign – Whale was accepted ASL Way – Julie Lampitt will report IDSL – International Day of Sign Language – Picnic IWD – International Week of Deaf Peoples (Deaf Art Show) Uno – ASL Movie Picnic Charitable Number!

Looking ahead – ASL Immersion, ASL teacher training, grant writing workshop (also for DCF), Anna Kielec will be going to CCSD AGM and event in Montreal.

Discussion: Danny Lecours asks who BCCSD sent as a delegate last year. Astrid Evensen Flanjak answers – there was no one sent.

Vice President (Alayna Finley)

Board Composition: In the 2012-2013 year, we added four new DAL positions creating a board of ten! Executive Board: President 2012 – 2014 (Astrid Evensen Flanjak); *Vice President – up for election*

(2013 – 2015); Secretary – up for election (2013 – 2014); Treasurer – up for election (2013 – 2015)

Directors at Large: *ASL Director – open; Art Director – Anna Kielec; Website Director – Zoe Montpetit; Membership Director – Astrid Hugill; First Nations Director – Julie Lampitt; Charitable Number Director – Marilyn Beal*

Sign-a-oke 2012 Chairperson Report: In November of 2012, BCCSD hosted its second annual “Sign-a- oke” event (ASL Karaoke) at The Bourbon in Gastown, Vancouver. Over 100 people were in attendance and over \$1000 was fundraised for BCCSD. Thank you to everyone who supported this event, and special thanks to Douglas College and VCC for volunteers, and WIDHH and Vinu Abraham for the technical support. Keep your eyes open for information about Sign-a-oke III in November 2013!

Discussion: Azeem Kazi suggest have youth director. Adrian Chow suggests have events director. Will move to New Business.

Secretary (Position vacant)

No report.

Treasurer (Douglas Hugill)

Thank you to Nile Richmond and Dario Drazie for audit.

Petty cash; Income Statement; Balance Sheet

Established \$100.00

BCCSD - Petty Cash Record - 1st April 2012 to 31st March 2013

Date	Explanation	Voucher	Receipts	Payments	Postage	Stationery	Sundry Expenses	50/50 Drawl	Bottle Drive
17/07/12	Balance		\$100.00						
17/07/12	Withdrawal	PCV01		77.12		77.12			
30/07/12	Withdrawal	PCV02		3.35		3.35			
20/08/12	Withdrawal	PCV03		12.88			12.88		
22/08/12	Deposit	PCV04	\$99.50					99.50	
01/10/12	Refund	PCV05	2.80						2.80
26/11/12	Refund	PCV06	1.20						1.20
03/02/13	Refund	PCV07	1.60						1.60
24/01/13	Withdrawal	PCV08		0.71	0.71				
07/03/13	Withdrawal	PCV09		0.71	0.71				
08/03/13	Withdrawal	PCV10		4.42	4.42				
31/03/13	Balance	C/F	\$205.10	\$99.19	\$2.13	\$84.18	\$12.88	\$99.50	\$5.65
			\$205.10	\$105.91					
31/03/13	Balance	B/F	\$105.91						

Submitted by:

Douglas Huggill

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BCCSD Treasurer

Audited by:

Nyle Richmond

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Dated: April 6, 2013

BC Cultural Society of the Deaf
Audited
Income Statement
1 April, 2012 through 31 March, 2013

<u>Revenue:</u>		<u>% Change</u>
Bank Interest	1.22	0.03 %
Events	1,040.00	28.73 %
Fundraising	120.00	3.32 %
Gift/Donation	540.00	14.92 %
Membership Fee	1,165.00	32.19 %
Refreshments	218.75	6.04 %
Other Income	534.59	14.77 %
Total Revenues	<u>3,619.56</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
 <u>Expenses:</u>		
Donation	1,100.00	31.78 %
Bank Charges/Other fees	0.25	0.01 %
CPP Expense	148.92	4.30 %
EI Expense	56.42	1.63 %
Entertainment	726.83	21.00 %
Grant	788.40	22.78 %
Ministry of Finance - BC Register Services	25.00	0.72 %
Miscellaneous Expenses	77.45	2.24 %
Postage Expenses	78.40	2.26 %
Raffles	60.00	1.73 %
Salary Expense	400.00	11.56 %
Total Expenses	<u>3,461.67</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
 Net Income (Loss)	 157.89	

Submitted by


Douglas Hugill
BCCSD Treasurer

Audited by:


Nyle Richmond

Dated: April 6, 2013

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BC Cultural Society of the Deaf
Audited
Balance Sheet
As of 31 March, 2013

Assets

Current Assets

Chequing/Savings

Cash in Bank 2,140.46

Membership Shares 6.10

Petty Cash 100.00

Total Chequing/Savings 2,246.56

Total Current Assets 2,246.56

Liabilities & Equity

Equity

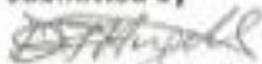
Opening Balance Equity 2,088.67

Net Income 157.89

Total Equity 2,246.56

Total Liabilities & Equity 2,246.56

Submitted by


Douglas Hugill
BCCSD Treasurer

Audited by:


Nyle Richmond


Dario Drazic

Dated: April 6, 2013

Discussion:

Danny Lecours moved accept financial reports as read. Karen Foot seconds. No opposed. Passed.

Danny Lecours moves that have two auditors volunteer for next year. Discussion: Jamie Finley moves that BCCSD appoint auditors. Sarah Anne Hrycenko seconds. No opposed. Passed.

Director at Large - ASL Director (Julie Lampitt)

Introduction BCCSD/ASL WAY history briefly: This ASL workshop series across Canada and Deaf Way event at Gallaudet inspired the name ASL WAY. It is intended to train Deaf teachers to become ASL instructors. Now it is open to everyone. For example, hearing interpreters took courses and knowledge about Deaf but lacked cultural information. I prefer that Deaf people know what hearing interpreters know. All of you Deaf know how to answer for yourselves and do not need to have interpreters speak for you.

History of ASL WAY events: ASL WAY WORKSHOP: This Workshop series was conducted by BCCSD and some devoted volunteers and Deaf members, who spend the majority of their time investing in different lifestyle workshops. Some of the devoted Deaf volunteers are glad to share with you about what they have learned over the years!

WORKSHOP DATES: Saturday, October 27, 2012 - ASL Linguistics: Parameters by Julie Martin

Saturday, November 24, 2012- ASL Linguistics: Regional Signs by Julie Martin, Astrid Evensen- Flanjak, Julie Rose Baxter-Lampitt

Saturday, January 26, 2013- ASL linguistics: Classifiers by Julie Martin and John Warren

Saturday February 23, 2013- Deaf Culture by Vincent Chauvet cancelled on Feb 23 to postpone to March 16th, due to the conflict event.

Saturday, March 30, 2013 – no workshop Saturday, April 27th, Deaf Lit by Vincent Chauvet, Saturday May 25th, ASL Dictionary by Sue Bailey (special speaker

invitation) No series workshops in June, July and August!!!! September 14th,
Indian Sign Language by Julie Lampitt and team October 12th, -TBA

November 9th -TBA

No series workshop in December

(All dates from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. sometimes till 4:00 pm.)

WHERE IS THIS WORKSHOP SERIES CONDUCTED? The workshops will be held at the Vancouver Community College located on Broadway Street, Vancouver (*close to the Broadway sky train station*)

WHO IS ASL WAY FOR? ASL Way is highly recommended for Deaf ASL Instructors. Now we are opening to Deaf People in the Deaf community as well as teachers, instructors and other staff. The information that will be shared regarding a healthy lifestyle can be applicable to everyone. This program is primarily for the Deaf community, as the workshops will be conducted in American Sign Language (ASL).

EVERYONE IS WELCOME: Blind-Deaf INTERPRETING REQUESTS: You are Blind-deaf, hard of hearing or deafened. . . contact me julielampitt@shaw.ca to arrange accommodations for interpreting services. Please keep in mind . . . the requests must be at least ONE-MONTH IN ADVANCE.

ASL WAY has been successful so far and we hope it will grow next fall as word spreads about this workshop series.

First Nations storytelling workshop – We gave a presentation to Vancouver Island University. They are interested and will follow up!

Truth Resolution Event will be hosted on September 17, 2013 at the Vancouver Island University. There will be representatives from several cultural groups (Japanese, Chinese, First Nations, and Deaf)

We plan to build boats for a positive demonstration in False Creek by Science World. The purpose is to raise awareness about truths and important issues that have been ignored.

Discussion: Aastrid Evensen Flanjak likes this idea and suggests that the Blind be actively involved in this. Julie Lampitt agreed and will follow up.

Action: Julie Lampitt to send criteria and goals of this with more information – then we can start inviting other Deaf Organizations to be involved in this.

Preview Lake Windfall – Red carpet fundraising event

Director at Large - Membership Director

233 members! Audited membership numbers and revenue. New term: Membership is until April 2013.

Director at Large – Charitable Number

Last January, Douglas Hugill, our Treasurer, and I as a Director-At-Large (since March) met 3 times, and then with BCCSD Board Members twice. Douglas and I got together to walk through the Charitable Number Policies and forms from CRA (Canada Revenue Agency) and made some required checklist for BCCSD as we did not have all relevant information on us. At the board meeting, several discussions covered most questions brought up. With this, we managed to get relevant information to fill out some questions on the form. It may take a little while to complete all questions on the part on the ‘wish’ list for future funding for our BCCSD before we can submit the application form to the right person (lawyer?) for check up then on to CRA.

Director at Large – Art Director (Anna Kielec)

Made posters for ASL Way, Movie Event, AGM, Membership Card, and Banner for IDSL 2013.

BCCSD MOVIE NIGHT!
Friday May 3, 2013

MATT HAMILL

THE HAMMER

Raffle: Tickets to win a "The Hammer" T-shirt, XLarge Autographed by MATT HAMILL!!!

WHERE: Douglas College
Lecture Theatre Room #2201

TIME: Door opens at 6:30 PM
Movie starts at 7:15 PM

ADMISSION: Free for BCCSD Members
BCCSD Membership \$5 for 1 year

CONTACT: info@bccsd.ca

ASL WAY WORKSHOPS

Hosted by BCCSD

WORKSHOP DATES:

Saturday, April 27th
ASL Lit
by Vincent Chauvet

Saturday, May 25th
ASL Dictionary
by Sue Bailey

Saturday, September 14th
Julius Sign Language
by Julie Lampitt and team

Saturday, October 12nd & Saturday, November 9th
To be announced.

All dates start from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sometimes til 4:00 p.m.

WHERE:

The workshops will be held at the Vancouver Community College located on Broadway Street, Vancouver (close to the Broadway skytrain station).

For Blind-deaf, please contact Julie Lampitt @ Julielampitt@shaw.ca for interpreting services. The request must be at least **ONE MONTH IN ADVANCE**. All workshops will be conducted in ASL.



ASL WAY WORKSHOP

DEAF CULTURE

BY VINCENT CHAUVET

Come and join us!
Saturday, March 16th
1:00 - 3:00 pm
ASL & Deaf Studies 2nd Floor

ADMISSION:
Free For BCCSD members
BCCSD membership \$5 for 1 year

Any questions, please contact
BCCSD ASL Director
Julie Lampitt at Julielampitt@shaw.ca



BCCSD
AGM
Annual General Meeting

Friday, May 3rd
5:00 to 7:00 pm
Douglas College
Lecture Theatre Room #2201
Before **THE HAMMER** movie night



FREE PIZZA WILL BE PROVIDED
First come, first serve

Free admission for BCCSD members
Renew membership for 2013-2014

Any questions, please contact:
info@bccsd.ca

International Day of Sign Language Picnic



BCCSD
BC CULTURAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF

MAY 2013 - APRIL 2014

Name: _____

Membership No: _____

www.bccsd.ca info@bccsd.ca

Director at Large - Website Director (Zoe Montpetit)

I have resigned as the BCCSD Art Director, and am thrilled to have Anna Kielec take over and see that she has already done an amazing job! I look forward to working with Anna Kielec on various BCCSD materials whenever needed. I am excited to continue to work on developing the BCCSD website as the BCCSD Website Director.

BCCSD website has been live for two years now. Soon due for domain renewal for another year (will email soon about this). We currently have information about the organization, the board, history, events, contact page, and a link to the BCCSD Facebook group.

For future website plans, I have two suggestions:

Board (and?) members login in order to have access to by-laws, meeting minutes, \$ reports, etc. Would be nice to have one place to access all this stuff instead of searching through emails or requesting it over and over.

Having a page that focuses on BC Deaf artists (writers, visual & fiber artists, performers, etc. everything that falls under this category) - with short bios & links to their website. I think it would be a really wonderful focus for BCCSD and makes it easier for people to find all the awesome BC Deaf artists. So far there isn't anything out there like this in BC (I believe) so this could be something unique that BCCSD does and would generate more traffic to the website. If everyone agrees and anyone at AGM is interested, please email deafartists@bccsd.ca to start discussing what you do as a Deaf artist and getting your website/Facebook/store & contact info onto the website. I can also create an ASL vlog and ask Deaf artists in BC to submit their info.

This will also make a future BCCSD Art Show easier as we will have all the contact info already and can easily reach out to the artists to see if they are interested in displaying their work.

4. Old Business

1. Letter to BCSD about use of theatre and gym – in progress. (Alayna Finley has written a draft letter but has found out about some possible documentation outlining the agreement about the use of theatre and gym – on hold).

Jamie Finley moves to close old business. Karen Foot seconds.

5. New Business

1. Truth Resolution Event – September 17, 2013

Discussion: Danny Lecours asks if there is any cost involved? Julie Lampitt answers that information is not known at this time. Danny Lecours moves to accept this. Joey Conrad seconds. No opposed. All in favour. Passed.

2. ASL Storybook App and ASL Immersion

Discussion – Sarah Anne Hrycenko moves to put \$7000 in hold and Sarah Anne Hrycenko volunteers to do feasibility study. Adrian Chow seconds. Danny Lecours asks what will be done with the remaining \$500 of the \$7500 donation and makes amendment that \$500 goes to ASL Immersion. Adrian Chow moves to accept this amendment. Karen Foot seconds. All in favour. Passed.

3. Membership Fee

Marilyn Beal moves that we increase the membership fee to \$10. Karen Foot seconds. Discussion? None. Discussion closed. All in favor? Yes. Passed. In effect 2014-2015.

4. Youth Director and Social Director

Azeem Kazi makes motion for Youth Director. Danny Lecours seconds. No discussion. All in favor. Passed.

Adrian Chow – makes motion for Event Director. Karen Foot seconds. All in favor. Passed. BCCSD Board will appoint new Youth Director and Social Director positions. 5. Deaf Expo

Azeem Kazi makes motion for Deaf Expo – Marilyn Beal seconds. Discussion – Azeem would like BC to have Deaf Nation bring Deaf Expo here. Julie Lampitt – an Expo was in planning stages but became latent. Would be nice to see it again. Danny Lecours suggests partner with community organizations. Alayna Finley amends – planning committee for this. Kim Woods – suggest partner with all Deaf Organizations in BC for Deaf Expo. All in favor. Passed.

Jamie Finley makes motion to close new business. Karen Foot seconds.

6. Election

We have run out of time (close to 7:00 pm movie event). Sarah Anne moves that BCCSD carry on elections at a second meeting. Kim Woods seconds. Passed.

7. Announcements

Zoe Montpetit is receiving a CCSD award, Deaf Deaf world – tomorrow, CRTC – BCVRS deadline May 17.

Aastrid Evensen Flanjak adjourned meeting at 7:05 pm.

Minutes submitted by Alayna Finley on May 5, 2013.



**BC Cultural Society of the Deaf – Part 2 Annual General Meeting
Elections Special Meeting Minutes**

6:30 PM May 23, 2013 – Room 2201, Douglas College, New Westminster

Aastrid Evensen Flanjak called the Elections Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Aastrid explained the roles of BCCSD Board Positions up for election.

VP - Inter-board relations role; bylaws and policy procedures; cover any president duties should president be unable to take on or delegates.

Treasurer – finances, cheques, auditor.

Secretary – Minutes of meetings.

ASL Director – ASL instructors, provide ASL training, ASL or Deaf Culture.

Additional information - Board meets bimonthly on Friday nights usually at VCC.

Elections

**Julie Lampitt nominates Melissa Mykle as secretary. Douglas Hugill seconds.
Melissa Mykle accepts nomination.**

All vote in favour. None opposed. Carried! Welcome Melissa! One year term.

**Julie Lampitt nominates Douglas Hugill as treasurer. Kim Wood seconds.
Douglas accepts. All vote in favour. None opposed. Carried! Welcome Douglas!
Two year term.**

Karen Foot nominates Kim Wood as ASL Director. Gretchen King seconds nomination. Kim accepts nomination. Discussion: ASL Director requires ASLIC but if no competition can support Kim Wood in position, have Julie's support. Julie Lampitt moves to accept Karen Foot's nomination as ACL – Dorothy Crombie seconds. Majority in favor. No opposed. Carried. Welcome Kim!

Alayna Finley nominates Karen Foot as Vice President. Karen does not accept. Alayna Finley nominates Marilyn Beal. Marilyn does not accept.

Melissa Mykle moves that the BCCSD Board recruit and appoint Vice President subject to Board Approval. Karen Foot seconds. All in favour. No opposed. Carried!

Elections closed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Minutes submitted on June 27, 2013 by Alayna Finley

**BCCSD
Board
Directors'
2013-2014
Reports**

Aastrid Evensen-Flanjak, BCCSD President's Report:

May 2014: The term from 2013-2014 has been quiet but active with several films and events. We sponsored 2 big events: Lake Windfall and Sean Forbes. We didn't send our representative to CCSD AGM last fall. There were bi-monthly board meetings at VCC and a retreat. Last September BCCSD, GVAD and VCC were partners for the International Week of the Deaf and it was successful. Kudos to all volunteers who were involved in the events: to Roger Desmairas and Kim Wood-Ranger for arranging the picnic and Zoée Monpetit as a host at the Deaf Art Show and Meet the Deaf Artists, Alayna Finley and the Sign-A-Oke committee did a fabulous job in November 2013 and the board agreed that it is to be annual event; to Julie Lampitt and Kim Wood-Ranger for arranging workshops. Joanne Robinson gave a fantastic interesting workshop on family tree. She will do it again in the fall. A big thank-you to Julie Lampitt and Karen Foot doing the big part of Lake Windfall movie event as well as looking after monthly movies at Hollywood 3 theatre.

It is time for election: President, Secretary, Artistic Director and Membership Director position for 2014-2016 term. I will not re-run for President but I am still interested in staying on BCCSD executive board as a Director-at-Large member.

November 2014: Last May BCCSD AGM didn't meet the quorum and we had to postpone it to November 21st. I want to thank to Vincent Chauvet for his trying effort in setting up the Artists' Club last September and did a fabulous job preparing the Deaf Art show. It was quite impressive and we hope to have it again in May 2015. And, again, thanks to Roger Desmairas and Kim Wood for a well-done job on the annual Deaf Picnic (IDSL event). And, all to BCCSD board members who have shown their dedication to BCCSD.

Marilyn Beal, Vice-President's Report:

Douglas Hugill and I went through the application form for the charitable number and caught up with added information about BCCSD. We finished most paperwork except the pages on proposed funding for our society – hopefully it should be done before the AGM here. We are planning to hire a lawyer.

Melissa Mykle, Secretary's Report:

Last AGM, I took Alayna's position when she enrolled into her MA program at SFU. I wrote minutes at board meetings. I created new template for minutes and helped out at some events. I wish to run again as a secretary for the next term.

Douglas Hugill, Treasurer's Report:

1.) **First of all, BCCSD would like to thank 4x4 Northwest Outdoors Club,**

For every month, BCCSD has been handed donation after Deaf Movie thus helping us all in funds which will be figured out for the specific support, if continuing.

2.) **What keeps BCCSD's Budget going,**

Events such as Night Movies, Sign-A-Oke and Deaf Movies which was mentioned above, but not membership due to tough collection.

3.) **For programs,**

Truly that some money are orchestrated towards each programs, thus awaiting for Charitable number to gain grants or donations in the near future. Due to reason, some programs require a lot of money to run, so hopefully now in process for five year plan such as arts, music, visual arts, Media Eye and many more.

4.) **So far great at Lake Windfall and Deaf & Loud LLC,**

To gain an awareness and experience to what BCCSD can do best for the future.

**BC Cultural Society of the Deaf
Audited
Balance Sheet
CONSOLIDATED
As of March 31, 2014**

Assets		
	Current Assets	
	Chequing/Savings	
	Cash in Bank	2,190.70
	ASL Immersion Program	500.00
	ASL Storybook App	7,000.00
	ASL WAY Workshop	800.00
	Petty Cash	100.00
	Total Current Assets	<u>10,590.70</u>
	Investment	
	Investment in Vancity	6.10
	Total Assets	<u><u>10,596.80</u></u>
Liabilities & Equity		
	Equity	
	Operating Reserve	9,951.90
	Operating Surplus (Deficit)	644.90
	Total Equity	<u>10,596.80</u>
	Total Liabilities & Equity	<u><u>10,596.80</u></u>

Respectfully Submitted by

Douglas Hugill
BCCSD Treasurer



Audited by:

Nyle Richmond *Nyle Richmond*

Dario Drazic *Dario Drazic*

Dated: April 5, 2014

**BC Cultural Society of the Deaf
Audited
Income Statement
As of March 31, 2014**

<u>Revenue:</u>		<u>% Change</u>
Bank Charges Refund	5.00	0.15 %
Bank Interest	9.07	0.26 %
Events	850.00	24.78 %
Fundraising	395.00	11.51 %
Gift/Donation	540.00	15.74 %
Membership Fee	825.00	24.05 %
Refreshments	51.25	1.49 %
Refund	755.00	22.01 %
Total Revenue	3,430.32	100.00 %
 <u>Expenses:</u>		
Affiliation	300.00	10.77 %
Bank Charges/Other fees	5.00	0.18 %
Domain name	13.64	0.49 %
Donation	75.00	2.69 %
Meals/Entertainment	1,658.51	59.54 %
Ministry of Finance	40.00	1.44 %
NSF cheque	10.00	0.36 %
Postage Expenses	73.50	2.64 %
Raffles	83.50	3.00 %
Storage Rent	306.27	11.00 %
Supplies	200.00	7.18 %
Website	20.00	0.72 %
Total Expenses	2,785.42	100.00 %
Net Operating Surplus (Deficit)	644.90	

Respectfully Submitted by
Douglas Hugill
BCCSD Treasurer



Audited by:

Nyle Richmond



Dario Drazic



Dated: April 5, 2014

Astrid Hugill, Membership Director's Report:

Last two years, our memberships were good in high numbers at \$1,165.00. The amounts are now at \$825.00 for memberships and it seems to decrease by \$340.00 due to difficulties of joining the membership from website or contact. I may think that we would like to set up the PDF membership form similar to 'CanadaHelps.ca' online at website for BCCSD someday.

Anna Kielec, Artistic Director's Report:

I took Zoe's place when she was resigned in February 2012. I thank BCCSD for giving me an opportunity to work with them. It is time for me to go and focus school and work. I hope someone can take my place and learn to be part of the BCCSD board. I had wonderful experience working with the board.

See my PPT: ARTDIRECTORVIDEO2015.pps

Julie Lampitt, First Nations Director's Report:

I want to thank you all for having given me the wonderful opportunity to be a BCCSD ASL Director in the past. It has been wonderful working with all of you. I am amazed by each your unique talents and team. My responsibilities were to check availability for classrooms and auditorium in order to book classes and various works. I referred the information to the art director who would then to make flyers and post them.

I worked along with my co-director, Karen to run the movie event fundraiser. Many big thanks to Karen Foot for the teamwork and support. We continue to work together on this every 3rd Friday night. We have our regular crowd and slowly new comers are joining. I hope you can help us to spread the word and invite others to come and enjoy movies which would be watching big screen with loud sound and open captioned than normal in hearing movie in theatres. We always try to inform the Deaf community in advance of the movie details but sometimes additional time is needed and last minute changes are made to ensure open closed captioned is available.

BCCSD hosted the Lake Windfall event. Many thanks to all of the Board members and supporter Karen Foot for their hard work. We have had great success! It was gathering approx 70 people showed up at Hollywood 3 in Surrey. I invited Coun. Barinder Rasode from City of Surrey

to attend the event. At the end of the movie she greeted the Deaf community and took pictures with her background Lake Windfall poster. We provided Wine and cheese and cake. They enjoyed it. I haven't handed out the evaluation papers (feedback) that I haven't chance to develop one. It will be ready in the near future.

Events guideline binder/vlog - From retreat, I learned that we needed to create the guideline work paper and vlog for the next position of duty. Many thanks to the board who showed up for the retreat. We worked hard to develop a five year plan for the future.

As of now, I am a First Nation director, I graduate with a First Nation BA degree this June, Until then, it will be a busy time for me to prepare this plan .

I will be honoured to serve Deaf First Nation people and do as best as I can. I will try to work with them to develop a better sense of identity. I will slowly plan to create some workshops to empower them to lead themselves. I would rather a full First Nations person offer leadership, because I am Metis and I grew up with the Scottish culture of my grandparents. However, until someone is available, I am happy to be there. I have explored my First Nations ancestry on my dad's side. However, I feel really connected to First Nations culture from the First Nations students in my class at VIU. I really learned a lot and many thanks to the elders, leaders, students and teachers who helped me. I so much value the education I received. In the fall, I would like to get the ball rolling on the First Nation workshop.

Kimberly Wood-Ranger, ASL Way Director's Report:

The ASLWAY workshops were held in March and April. In March, it was based on Classifiers/ handshapes. We had Douglas College interpreter students/ASL students attended this workshop, as they wanted to practice more on their skills.

Tracing Family Roots was provided on April 24th from 7 to 9 pm. Joanne Robinson was wonderful presenter and we learned a lot from her. There were about 11 people attended. It was great way to learn on how to find your family roots.

However I was approached by Deaf members of the Deaf community that the ASLWAY workshops would be hosted at Douglas College in New Westminster because of it's location, possibly more centralized for everyone to attend. We might have offer workshops at Douglas College in the fall 2014 and winter 2014-2015. This might help to have more Deaf members to attend as some of them feel VCC is too far.