



January 11, 2010

## **Funding & Project Collaboration Meeting Minutes**

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Larry Brockman (Options)  
Kris Wells (U of A - Institute for Sexual Minority Studies and Services)  
Donna Blundell (Safe and Caring Schools and Communities)  
Karen Hobbs (Safe and Caring Schools and Communities)  
Tamie Perryment (Alberta Conflict Transformation Society & Peace Talks)  
Joanne Robotka (Multi Youth Productions)  
Carl Bush (Camp fYrefly)  
Barb White (Step Out Safely)  
Jennifer Paton (YMCA of Edmonton)  
Brenda Davidson (Military Family Resource Centre)  
Scott Graham (Edmonton Community Foundation & Stollery Charitable Foundation)  
Maureen Johnston (ESHIP)  
Ernie Pudwill (Edmonton and Area CFSA Region 6 Coordinator for the Prevention of Family Violence and Bullying)  
Marilyn Langevin (U of A - Institute for Stuttering Research)  
Alan Ross (Canadian Red Cross)  
Khatidja Khalfan (Edmonton Inner City Children's Project Society)  
Kristy Harcourt (Canadian Red Cross and CIAFV Bullying Prevention Project Team Co-Chair)  
Judi Weston (Edmonton and Area CFSA Region 6 Project Support Coordinator and CIAFV Bullying Prevention Project Team Co-Chair)

### **AGENDA:**

1. Funder information
2. How is each agency involved in bullying prevention?
3. How does each agency engage in partnerships now? Describe this including how agency framed this for funders.
4. What makes partnerships work well and sustainable?
5. Opportunities for partnerships that are not funding dependent?

### **Funder Information**

#### **Ernie Pudwill – CIF**

- This is year 5 of what was originally a 3-year annual funding plan
- No word yet about funding
- Likely no word until after February 9, 2010 budget
- **Scott Graham – Edmonton Community Foundation & Stollery Foundation**
  - Member of Funders Forum
  - Economy downtown impact still felt
  - 8000 charities in area
  - Encourage collaborations; some good example out there they fund are Families First and CUP (Community-University Partnership).
  - He sits on Community Advisory Group – for Board decision

- Family Foundation section receives 5 million /year in requests but 2 million in available funds; agencies can apply for 2 grants/year
- Charities lost Wildrose funding (pulled by Information Minister Blakett's office)
- Website is [ecfoundation.org](http://ecfoundation.org) – look for granting link
- Meet Wednesday mornings – Scott welcomes people to come to talk and get more information

### **AGENCY INFORMATION:**

#### Options – Larry Brockman

- Focus is on sexual and relationship health
- Bullying threads throughout this
- Involved in Expecting Respect program collaboration
- There are many sexual minority youth in immigrant & refugee communities

#### SMSS – U of A – Kris Wells

- New area – check U of A website ISMSS
- Research for community based practice/projects
- Camp fYrefly – had to invest in community as had youth intervention funders previously and availability for this changed
- Recognized need for full time staff (paid). Hired an Outreach worker – 3 year project – funded by United Way, Edmonton Community Foundation, & FCSS
- Sits on Alberta Hate Crimes Committee – Provincial coordinated response
  - Youth are number one perpetrators *and* victims of hate crimes
  - How we can intervene earlier
- Sits on Board of Safe and Caring Schools and Committees

#### Society for Safe and Caring Schools and Communities – Donna Blundell & Karen Hobbs

- Resource development – booklets/comics
- Support youth leadership and conferences
- Multi -faceted
- Workshops – direct provision
- Also facilitator training
- Immigrant and newcomer youth focus this year
- Partnered with Alberta Health Mental Health this fall
- Work with National Crime Prevention Centre to change youth behavior
- Curriculum resources for schools on website

#### ACTS – Tamie Perryment

- Focus is Restorative Justice/Community Conferencing
- Partnership with Edmonton Schools/Edmonton Police/Alberta Justice
- Peace Talks began 5 years ago in north east Edmonton
- Mostly involved in Junior High Schools
- Balwin
- Highlands – mini conferencing (does not include parents)
- McCauley

- Cluster-school funding allowed work with youth leadership and relationship based model, capacity building
- Learning Team included other organizations

#### Multi-Youth Productions – JoAnne Robotka

- Theatre group consists mostly of 11-18 year olds – generate research, writing, production; 32 kids this year
- 1RL (In Real Life) is the drama this year – cyber bullying (focus on victims and by-standers)
- Really trying to get into schools and perform their play

#### Camp fYrefly – Carl Busch (new Coordinator)

- Focus on “movement” theme this year as well as a range of others, probably including bullying
- \$25 registration fee, (commitment fee); application on website; have postcards in all schools with camp information
- Provides support year round beyond the 4 day camp (age 14-24)

#### Step out Safely – Barb White

- Step out Safely is under the umbrella of Parents Empowering Parents in Sherwood Park (just expanded to Millwoods)
- PEP focus primarily on parent help re: drugs and on youth re: prevention
- SOS developed out of prevention project in junior & senior high schools
- SOS team is professionally trained and goes into schools; have a gender specific bullying focus
- 1 ½ hour workshops with evaluation at end
- Kids report feeling safer afterwards
- Role-playing component
- Don't have more funding and schools can't afford fee for service

#### YMCA – Jennifer Paton

- Jennifer is in a half time grants officer position – focus is to seek funding for priority programs
- Step up (Bullying Prevention) program folded due to lack funding
- It was absorbed into the Transitions Program
- Previously had United way funding
- Provides ASSIST program for Edmonton Catholic School District; SAIF funded; support kids facing expulsion or expelled and focus on bullying

#### Edmonton Military Family Resource Centre – Brenda Davidson

- Serve 5000 families and their friends and relatives
- Provide programming for whatever families needs
- Family violence is a big issue & bullying a pre-cursor threofere focus here too
- Human Ecology practicum students were involved last year – 200 hours practicum

- Given the movement in the population, the programs and services must start new every couple of years
- Therapists and social workers available
- Very willing to share in kind with other agencies
- Use National Film Board materials – are excellent

#### ESHIP – Maureen Johnson

- Maureen is an Emotional Behavioural Therapist; EBT are based in schools
- Maureen works ½ time and offered to volunteer time with other agencies in the room

#### Institute for Stuttering Research - Marilyn Langevin (U of A)

- Developed resource books i.e. “Teasing & Bullying: Unacceptable Behaviour” (TAB)
- Were able to engage community i.e. Elks & Royal Purple distributed books
- Currently surveying children (stutterers) and parents about what works and does not work re: bullying – Research

#### Respect Ed – Kristy Harcourt & Alana Ross

- Provides Respect Ed program training.
- Also involved in risk management work with small agencies re: policies in own organizations
- Create tool kits and train facilitators
- Looking at expanding to work with Aboriginal youth
- Recently found a new funder option through the Department of Canadian Heritage re: Cultural Connections for Aboriginal Youth (CCAY). Deadline January 29, 2010.
- Also starting in Hobbema, Ermineskin, etc.
- Capacity building focus
- Make suggestions to others re: funding potential i.e.: through mental health capacity building funds, CIF...
- Do presentations to small non-profits for small honorariums to cover admin costs (\$100 covers as many as possible in 1 year)
- Kristy is CIAFV Bullying Prevention Project Team Co-Chair

#### Inner City Children’s Project ) Khatidja Khalfan

- Very small agency; Khatidja plus a .2 staff
- Offers various programs including food at Mother Theresa & McCauley schools (McCauley is one of the 7 CCEP schools)
  - Key Boards for Kids
  - Nutrition program
  - After-School recreation and crafts program
  - Field trips and summer programs
- Casino funds now not acceptable so this will have an impact for Mother Theresa School
- Recently moved from BBBS to an E4C space; Needs help to move a desk

Edmonton and Area Child and Family Services (CFSA) Region 6 – Ernie Pudwill & Judi Weston

- CFSA does not provide direct bullying prevention programs or services
- With a few small exceptions, funding for family violence and bullying prevention is Provincial not Regional
- Ernie is Edmonton and Area CFSA Region 6 Coordinator for the Prevention of Family Violence and Bullying
- Judi shares the bullying prevention component with Ernie and is CIAFV Bullying Prevention Project Team Co-Chair; the Project Team completed the development of their Strategic Plan 2009-2010 in December which lead to organizing this funding and partnership collaboration meeting. (One strategy in the Plan is to *“Identify opportunities to enhance collaboration between organizations and promote opportunities for agency collaboration to submit joint proposals in partnership to reduce competition”*.)
- Both are CIAFV members and involved in numerous diverse committees that support family violence prevention, bullying prevention and partnership work
- Ernie and Judi have provided and shared various in-kind services with organizations and will continue to do so where possible.
- Ernie coordinates service-related people to assist Edmonton and Area Child and Family Services in the review of the applications for the Community Incentive Fund (CIF) grants. This non-partisan process allow us to make recommendation to the Ministry of Children’s Services as to which of the applications best support a commitment to a collaborative coordinated response to family violence and bullying within our community.

**NEXT MEETING:** Monday, February 1, 2010 at the Canadian Red Cross, 9931 – 106 Street, Edmonton (free parking).

**AGENDA:**

1. **View and discuss “Stitches” 8:45AM – 10:15 AM**

“Stitches” (the feature film based on the Gov. Gen award-winning novel by Edmonton author Glen Huser)

90 minutes

Based on bullying in a small Alberta rural community involving a young man whose passion is sewing

Community Incentive Fund recipient in 2008/09

Developed through the Victoria School of Performing Arts and Motion Picture

Runner up in 2009 Alberta Motion Picture Film and TV Awards (winner was Paschendale)

2. **Funding Collaboration 10:15- Noon**

Agenda:

- Anything new since January 11, 2010 meeting?
- Exercise to promote discussion and opportunities to collaborate:
  - What is one thing you think you can give?
  - What is one thing you need from someone else?
- Next steps?

Minutes Recorded by: Judi Weston