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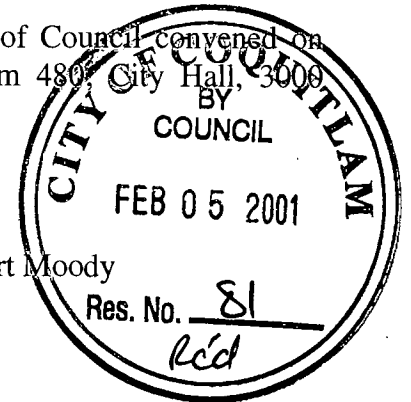
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SEXUALLY EXPLOITED YOUTH COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 17, 2001

A Regular Meeting of the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee of Council convened on Wednesday, January 18, 2001 at 7:12 pm in Council Boardroom 480 City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam B.C. with the following persons present:



PRESENT:

- Councillor K. Becker, Chair
- Councillor A. Wilkinson, City of Port Moody
- Trustee G. Alty, School District 43
- B. McGill, School District 43
- Cst. S. Ashton, Coquitlam RCMP
- M. Kennedy, Ministry of Attorney General
- M. Unrau
- T. L. Seeley
- M. Reagh
- S. Knecht

ABSENT: D. Sowden

STAFF: K. Lore, Committee Clerk

ITEM I - MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 8, 2000

The Committee approved the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2000.

ITEM III - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil.

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ITEM III – NEW BUSINESS

521-1 Secure Care Act

The Committee reviewed the correspondence from the Ministry for Children and Families asking for stakeholder input into the *Secure Care Act (Bill 25, 2000)*.

The Committee agreed that the following recommendations be forwarded to the Ministry:

Characteristics or values that should underlie secure care intervention

- Prevention of “revolving door syndrome” – have a service plan so that youth are not being continually recycled through the system.
- Serious consideration of the long-term effects on youth – will Secure Care harm more than help the youth?
- Envision the whole picture – immediate needs *as well as* the long-term needs of the youth must be addressed.
- Keep lines open between, for example, safe houses - as some kids may not want or should not return immediately to their own communities – could be a risk factor.
- Need for development of trusting relationships between youth and the service providers.

The Secure Care Board

- Establish an Advisory Committee or Working Board consisting of representatives from the communities that the secure care facility serves, and the Minister or senior person in the Ministry for Children and Families - the mandate of the Advisory Committee being to make professional and well-considered recommendations to the Secure Care Board.
- Need some form of expertise in place – where is the accountability? Front line staff in Secure Care (part of the Advisory Committee) could make assessments and recommendations to the Board.
- Board and front line staff should include a wide array of service providers: police, social workers, mental health workers, psychiatrists, youth workers, substance abuse counsellors, persons from the aboriginal community, career counsellors, community members who have experience with at-risk youth (i.e. Foster care providers), advocates for the rights of sexually exploited youth, lawyers, and youth.
- Ensure *local* representation – membership from different districts/regions – break down by, for example, Health Care Regions.

- Ensure that the Board is accessible. Need to have daily access to the Board or designate – to give authorizations (i.e. similar to Police ADP forms)
- *Will the Board be willing to meet every 72 hours to approve extensions if needed? There exists concern regarding the accessibility of the Secure Care Board.*

Measures that should be in place to address the specific needs of aboriginal youth that may need the intervention of the Secure Care Act

- Have representation on the Board from the Aboriginal Community, preferably a person who works with aboriginal youth, to ensure that there is someone who truly knows their plight.

Integration of Secure Care with existing community services

- Secure Care can help to identify at risk youth in the community – then will need to set up plans to assist those youth. There should be notification to service providers in the community regarding youth in secure care – for assistance and follow up.
- There is a need for seamless service delivery so that youth can move from one service to another easily (i.e. secure care - safe house – community) – Need integrated and coordinated case management.
- Need for a Safe House in communities where none exists - a treatment facility in conjunction with Secure Care. *What kind of support will the Province be willing to provide to the community where no support system pre-exists.*
- There also needs to exist resources in the community that can help these youth get back on their feet after treatment (i.e. help finishing school, finding employment, etc.)

Facility criteria that should be established

- Look at existing unused health-care facilities (i.e. Riverview Hospital) as potential facility sites – and redirect the money slated for infrastructure to service provision.
- *Will the facility be capable of handling multiple regions or will there be a number of smaller facilities throughout the Province?*

521-2 Assistant Deputy Minister's Committee on Prostitution and Sexual
Exploitation of Youth – Community Grants Fund 2000/2001

The Committee agreed that funding would be sought through the Community Grants Fund 2000/2001 to produce a brochure on the sexual exploitation of children and youth.

521-3 2001 Forum on the Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth

The committee deferred discussion of this item to the next Meeting.

521-4 Brochure

The Committee deferred discussion of this item to the next Meeting.

ITEM IV – OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee was informed that “Stop the Sexual Exploitation of Children Awareness Week” is March 5-11, 2001.

ITEM V- TABLED ITEMS

T-1 “Baby steps to Safety – raising age of consent a key.” *Tri-City News*.
November 25, 2000.


ITEM VI – NEXT MEETING

The Committee agreed that future meetings, with the exception of the Meeting in February, would be held the third Wednesday of every month.

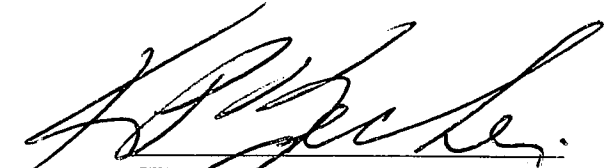
The next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 7, 2001.

ITEM VII - ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.



Kerri Lore
Committee Clerk



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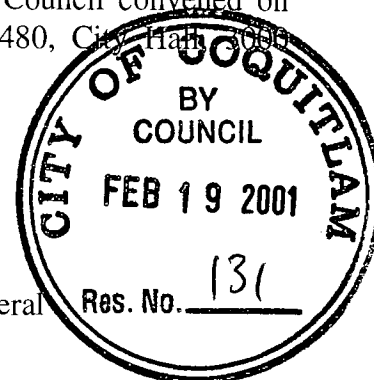


**SEXUALLY EXPLOITED YOUTH
COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 7, 2001**

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A Regular Meeting of the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee of Council convened on Wednesday, February 7, 2001 at 7:30 pm in Council Boardroom 480, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam B.C. with the following persons present:

Committee Members present: Councillor K. Becker, Chair
Trustee G. Alty, School District 43
Cst. S. Ashton, Coquitlam RCMP
M. Kennedy, Ministry of Attorney General
M. Unrau



Committee Members Absent: Councillor A. Wilkinson, City of Port Moody
B. McGill, School District 43
D. Sowden
T. L. Seeley
M. Reagh

Also present: D. Olson, Tri-City Reconnect

Staff present: K. Lore, Committee Clerk

ITEM I – MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2000

The Committee approved the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2001.

ITEM III – BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil.

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ITEM III – NEW BUSINESS

521-1 Video: “Innocent Tricks”

The Committee viewed a CBC documentary entitled “Innocent Tricks.”

The one-hour video documented the lives of two lower mainland girls from middle-class families through their childhood and part of their teens, their involvement in the sex trade and finally, their eventual recovery. Interviews with the girls’ families show the effect that a child’s involvement in the sex trade can have on not only them self, but on their family. The video illustrates the realities of a dangerous and not at all glamorous life and that teens involved in the sex trade can be from anywhere and of any socio-economic background.

521-2 2001 Forum on the Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth

The Committee was reminded that the Public Forum on Sexual Exploitation entitled “Keeping Your Children and Youth Safe” will be held March 6, 2001, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Terry Fox Theatre.

ITEM IV – OTHER BUSINESS

Nil.

ITEM V- TABLED ITEMS

- T-1 Letter dated January 25, 2001 to the Secure Care Implementation Team regarding the City of Coquitlam Sexually Exploited Youth Committee recommendations on the implementation of *Bill 25* (Secure Care Act).
- T-2 Community Grants Fund 2000/2001 Application
- T-3 “Forum set on youth sexual exploitation.” *The Now*. Wednesday, January 31, 2001. Vol. 15, No.5, p .3.

ITEM VI – NEXT MEETING

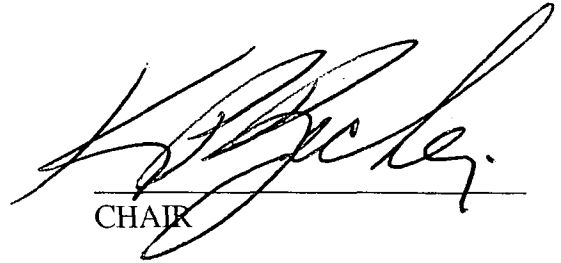
The next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 21, 2001.

ITEM VII - ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.



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Committee Clerk



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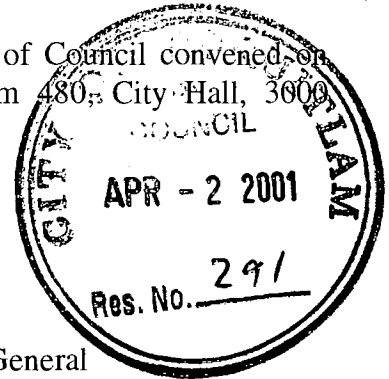
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**SEXUALLY EXPLOITED YOUTH
COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 28, 2001**

A Regular Meeting of the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee of Council convened on Wednesday, March 28, 2001 at 7:00 pm in Council Boardroom 480, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam B.C. with the following persons present:



Committee Members present: Councillor K. Becker, Chair
B. McGill, School District 43
Cst. S. Ashton, Coquitlam RCMP
M. Kennedy, Ministry of Attorney General
D. Sowden
T. L. Seeley
M. Reagh

Committee Members Absent: Councillor A. Wilkinson, City of Port Moody
Trustee G. Alty, School District 43
M. Kennedy, Ministry of Attorney General
M. Unrau (regrets)
T.L. Seeley

Also present: D. Olson, Tri-Cities Reconnect
D. Hassan, Tri-Cities Reconnect

Staff present: K. Lore, Committee Clerk
S. Knecht, Recreation Program Coordinator

ITEM I – MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee approved the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2001.

ITEM II – BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil.

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ITEM III – NEW BUSINESS

521-1 2001 Forum on Sexual Exploitation of Youth

D. Sowden and B. McGill reported on the March 6, 2001 Forum on the Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth. Both advised that the Forum was a great success with approximately 140 in attendance, and media exposure from the likes of W-5 and CBC.

521-2 Community Grants Fund 2000/2001

The Committee was advised that their Grant Application to the Community Grants Fund 2000/2001 (Ministry of Attorney General) had been approved in the amount of \$5000.

521-3 Brochure

The Committee discussed and outlined a timeline and responsibilities for the production of a Brochure on Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth.

A copy of the timeline is attached hereto and forms a part of these Minutes.

ITEM IV – OTHER BUSINESS

Nil.

ITEM V- TABLED ITEMS

- T-1 Revised Budget – Application for Community Grants Fund 2000/2001
- T-2 “Protection needed now.” Tri-City News. Thursday, March 8, 2001. pp. 1, 5.
- T-3 Pamphlet: “The More You Know about Sexual Exploitation the Better Chance we will have of Solving the Problem.” Children of the Street Society.
- T-4 Ministry of Attorney General Backgrounder: “Prostitution and Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth.” & “Warning Signs for Parents.”

ITEM VI - NEXT MEETING

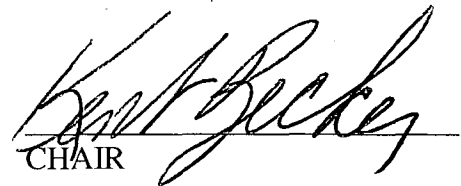
The next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 18, 2001.

ITEM VII - ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



Kerri Lore
Committee Clerk

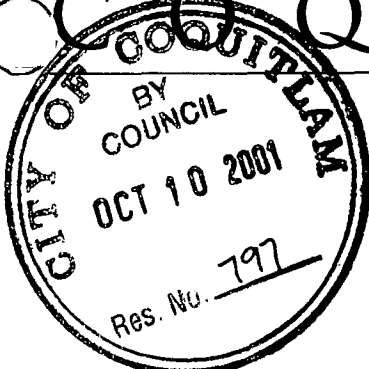

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**SEXUALLY EXPLOITED YOUTH
COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 19, 2001**

A Regular Meeting of the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee of Council convened on Wednesday, September 19, 2001 at 7:10 p.m. in Council Boardroom 480, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam B.C. with the following persons present:

Committee Members present: Councillor K. Becker, Chair
Trustee G. Alty, School District 43
Cst. S. Ashton, Coquitlam RCMP
B. McGill, School District 43
M. Unrau
T. L. Seeley

Committee Members Absent: Councillor A. Wilkinson, City of Port Moody
M. Kennedy, Ministry of Attorney General
M. Reagh
D. Sowden

Staff present: K. Lore, Committee Clerk

ITEM I – MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee approved the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee Meeting Minutes of July 25, 2001.

ITEM II – BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil.

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ITEM III – NEW BUSINESS

521-1 Status of *Secure Care Act*

The Committee was provided with a verbal update on the status of the *Secure Care Act* (the *Act*). Committee members were advised that although the *Act* has received Three Readings and Royal Assent it has not yet been proclaimed and is therefore, *not* legislation. They were further advised that the *Act* is currently under review along with all other Ministry programs and that the Province would not be proceeding with Secure Care implementation this year. A public announcement regarding the Province's plans for Secure Care is expected in the near future.

The Committee expressed concerns that the Province will not follow through with Secure Care implementation.

Discussion ensued relative to bringing public awareness to the issue, specifically the possibility of the *Act* being abandoned before implementation. It was suggested that the Media be contacted regarding the issue. The Committee agreed that a press release should be issued in conjunction with the release of the Brochure on Youth Sexual Exploitation noting the Province's inaction with regards to Secure Care Implementation.

The Committee reviewed the summary of legislation and services in other provinces related to Secure Care and Secure Treatment.

The Committee discussed the potential for building a Safe House in Coquitlam. It was agreed that this would be discussed further at a future Meeting.

521-2 Brochure on Youth Sexual Exploitation

B. McGill advised that he is in the process of securing a student to do the artwork for the Brochure and should have a name within the next week.

The Committee agreed that they would present the Brochure, upon completion, to Mayor and Council at a Regular Council Meeting and to the School Board.

The Committee did a final review of the Brochure and suggested minor revisions.

ITEM IV – OTHER BUSINESS

Nil.

ITEM V - TABLED ITEMS

- T-1 Selected excerpts from “The Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.” Richard J. Estes, Ph.D. and Neil Alan Weiner, Ph.D. University of Pennsylvania, School of Social Work. September 10, 2001.
- T-2 “One in 100 children victims of sexual exploitation, study says.” *CNN.com*. Monday, September 10, 2001.
- T-3 “Shock over US child sex trade.” *BBC News*. Monday, September 10, 2001.
- T-4 “Arena: Child sex abuse study debunks myths.” *CNN.com*. Monday, September 10, 2001.
- T-5 T-1 “Report Shows Liberals Irresponsible on Child Porn Issue.” Press Release. Wednesday, August 8, 2001.
- T-6 “Canada targets child porn on net.” *BBC News*. Thursday, March 15, 2001.

ITEM VI – NEXT MEETING

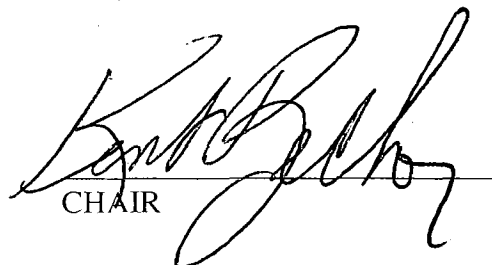
The next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 17, 2001.

ITEM VII - ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



Kerri Lore
Committee Clerk


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**SEXUALLY EXPLOITED YOUTH
COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 8, 2001**

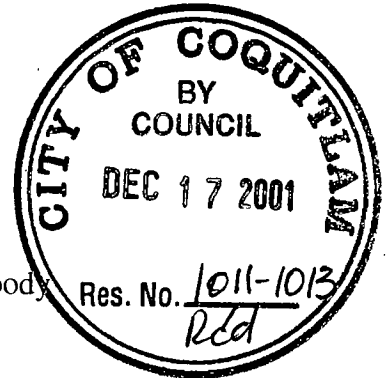
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M. Kennedy, Ministry of Attorney General
M. Reagh
D. Sowden (regrets)
T. L. Seeley (regrets)

Others present: T. Osachoff, Coquitlam Foundation
D. Olson, Reconnect

Staff present: S. Knecht, Leisure and Parks Services
K. Lore, Committee Clerk



ITEM I – MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee approved the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2001.

ITEM II – BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil.

ITEM III – NEW BUSINESS

521-1 Presentation: Coquitlam Foundation

Mr. Tony Osachoff, Coquitlam Foundation, was present at the Meeting to provide an overview of the Coquitlam Foundation. His presentation included information regarding:

- Background of the Foundation
- Mandate of the Foundation
- Types of Grants distributed by the Foundation
- Fund Development

Discussion ensued relative to the possibility of establishing a fund to help sexually exploited youth. It was noted that a minimum of \$20, 000 would be needed to start the fund.

521-2 Brochure on Youth Sexual Exploitation

**COUNCIL
ACTION**

*RES. NO. 1012
APPD*

The Committee recommends:

That Council endorse the brochure on Youth Sexual Exploitation developed by the Sexually Exploited Youth Committee.

521-3 Safe House

Discussion ensued relative to establishing a safe house in Coquitlam for sexually exploited youth. It was agreed that this would be the main objective of the Committee for 2002.

**COUNCIL
ACTION**

*RES. NO. 1013
APPD*

The Committee recommends:

That Council support the Committee's objective of establishing a safe house in Coquitlam and that staff be directed to explore possible site locations, capital and operating costs, possible funding sources and regulations and logistics associated with operating a safe house.

OTHER BUSINESS

Changes to the Provincial Prostitution Unit Mandate

The Committee was advised that due to budget cuts the Provincial Prostitution Unit will no longer be conducting awareness, education or prevention workshops and that their mandate will be to focus solely on “law enforcement.”

ITEM V - TABLED ITEMS

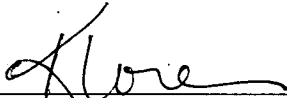
- T-1 Provincial Forum on Child and Youth Sexual Exploitation
- T-2 Brochure – “Reclaiming Lives.” Street Teams Safe House Society.
- T-3 “Our Children are not for Sale.” *Prevention*. Issue #3. Winter 2000-2001.

ITEM VI - NEXT MEETING

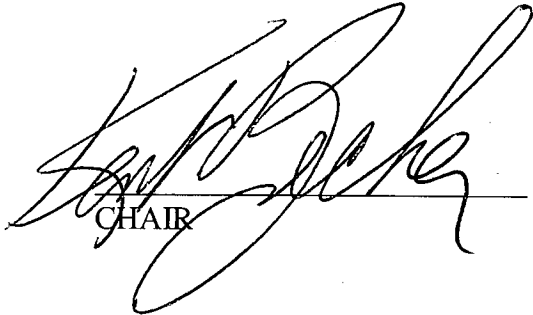
The next Meeting will be scheduled at the Call of the Chair.

ITEM VII - ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.



Kerri Lore
Committee Clerk



CHAIR