

Developing the Rosedale Community School  
Community Forum  
March 29<sup>th</sup>  
SUMMARY

1. What activities (leisure / service / recreational / educational) would you like to be considered to be part of our new Community School?
  - Community Group Meetings (i.e. User Groups, churches, investor groups)
  - Food Safe Program
  - First Aid
  - Babysitting Courses \*
  - Drop-in recreational / social programs for teens, pre-teens – could be pool table, ping pong, etc.
  - Pre-Teen dance
  - Photography
  - Computers & electronics for Seniors
  - Computer classes\*
  - Parenting Courses
  - Support Groups
  - Bingo
  - Music Lessons
  - Music Programs
  - Art Lessons
  - Movie Nights\*
  - Aerobic / Fitness classes
  - Pilates\* / Yoga / Weight Training
  - Family Fitness
  - Plant sales
  - Garden Programs\*
  - Easter Egg Hunt
  - Farmers Market
  - Clothes / Toy Trading
  - Cooking\*
  - Craft classes
  - Karate / Martial Arts
  - Cultural Dancing & Activities
  - Pajama Stories
  - Summer & Holiday camps / programs\*
  - Basketball Camp
  - Gymnastics
  - Freak out Friday
  - Private Parties
  - Daycare / After School Care
  - 1. Infant / Toddler – “Full Meal Deal”
    1. Transport service ... children to get to facility?

- After school & evening activities/events for students.
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- Things to think about –
  - Storage
  - Easily stowable gear for programs
  - Things that currently exist in Chilliwack so travel isn't necessary
  - Advertise that community coordinator is accepting proposals ...use website, newsletter, etc.
  - Include targeting Rosedale, Kent, Agassiz
  - PAC member to always be on the Board of Directors
  - Additional Playground space?
  - Free Parking
  - Activities: Cost determined by the Board of Directors – the costs should not be a barrier. ie. Current cost approximately \$300 per day to rent space at a school. – Needs to be affordable to small groups. Ie. Weavers club / Garden Program; Fitness: Yoga, etc.; Brownies – other children's activities; Church
- 2. Are you aware of any service providers / groups who you would/might like to be part of the Community School?
  - Surrounding Areas – Rosedale, Kent, Agassiz
  - Churches / Feeder Schools
  - Grants from City
  - 4H\*, Farmers' Guild
  - PAC
  - Existing Service Providers in other Community Schools who may wish to expand.
  - Girl Guides / Boys Scouts
  - Big Brothers / Big Sisters
  - Community Services
  - Cheam First Nation – looking to use the facility for community events
  - Possible Specific people/companies from the community
    1. Roger Muir – Camp River Hall
    2. Heather Amelas
    3. Russell Shellard
    4. Gary Penner
    5. Tycrop / Minter Gardens / DeVries / TimBro / Wildcat Grill
    6. John & Eric Rimschneider
    7. Jenny & ?
- 3. Are you aware of services / programs that currently exist in the community that would be beneficial for our community school?
  - Need to spread the word in the community to contact the school to offer services.

- There is a void in the community since the Community Hall has been turned into a Hardware Store.
4. Do you know of community members with specialized skills who could offer their skills and expertise to our community school?
- Spanish & Art Teacher – (Doreen Bell) Contact of Kim Karr – PAC
  - Sherri Fraser – Face Painting & Balloons
  - Kindermusic – Hilda Goertzen
  - Fritz Pratt – Flower Arrangement / Plants
5. Are you aware of an energetic person, who has a strong connection with the Rosedale Community, strong organizational, communication and people skills and might wish to be considered for the community coordinator position? Are you aware of community members who would be strong candidates to serve on the Board of Directors?
- Ask at Camp River Hall for ideas of people
  - Kim Karr
  - Kim Eeg
  - Coreen Lunt
6. What final recommendations would you make so that the Community School best reflects the needs of the Rosedale Community?
- Board of Directors need representation from:
    1. Cheam Band & First Nations Community Members
    2. PAC
    3. Seniors
    4. School
    5. Local Churches
    6. Students
  - Ensure that all community groups are represented.
  - An **invite** needs to go home with each student & out in the community to elicit involvement of students, parents & community members.
    1. This is both for Board of Directors solicitation & program ideas
    2. Need to emphasize that this is a Community Center and not just a School Program.
    3. Include sample ideas and examples. Also seek for new ideas.
  - Scooter / Skate Park
  - Youth Leaders / Mentoring
  - Regular Programs
  - Input from young adults
  - Survey Monkey
  - Send these questions to the community to add to the info. sheet. Also, send these to the CSS students.
  - What is the mode of communication to promote awareness, involvement and unity for the Community School? Website? Other?
  - October 22<sup>nd</sup> – Moving Celebration / Dedication