

MINUTES

North Shore Child Care Planning Committee

September 26, 2024 (online)

In Attendance

Ashleigh Davies, Laine Anderson, Glenda Burrows, Eirikka Brandson, Jeeniece Chand & Maggie, Sara Sutherland, Mathew O'Connor

Regrets: Lisa Hubbard , Kristin Burris, Tunde Getaneh, Heather Evans, Mary Battle,

Survey Results

A survey regarding committee priorities and action items was sent out over the summer, the top three priorities and action items were presented to the committee.

Top 3 action items:

- 1) Plan an early years conference for child care providers
- 2) Issue-specific presentations to municipal councils
- 3) Increased social media presence and writing articles for NS News and other media

Link to presentation shared by Ashleigh Davies on survey results:

<https://prezi.com/view/oLElAzqyDDp5q8jAB0y6/>

Two action items for the committee suggested were to create a new workplan and to host a conference.

Action items for November Meeting

- Committee members will confirm whether or not they/their organization can take part in the planning of a conference hosted by the committee.
 - Members are asked to consider what ways their organization could support the conference (e.g. space, funds, volunteers, planning, ect)
 - Decision will be made on committee's plans to go forward with a conference based on committee member responses
- Workplan will be looked at with a deadline decided for when the document will be created
 - Suggested that the workplan focuses on 3 specific action items with a common theme connecting them (e.g. inclusion) with a three year time line, workplan reviewed for progress yearly
- Call for vote on new co-chair delayed to November due to low meeting attendance

Roundtable

West Vancouver School District:

- WV SD new child care spaces upcoming, public and media release has gone out
- Groundbreaking in January-February, operational for September 2025
- 86 spaces for 0-5 and 30 school age spots

North Shore Community Resources CCRR:

- West Vancouver CCRR satellite (201 – 2403 Marine Drive) holding their open house September 27th
 - Location is fully operational
- Ashleigh Davies is leaving her role as municipal consultant and assistant manager, new head coordinator for Burnaby Continuing Education's ECE program
 - New municipal consultant will continue as co-chair once found

District West Vancouver:

- Concerns being brought forward on residential based home daycares
 - Concerns on quantity over quality
 - Neighbourhood concerns over noise, daycares increase traffic, no public consultation for smaller scale to receive concerns

North Vancouver School District:

- New Strong Start space open, beautiful space through collaboration
- Excited for SEY2KT (Supporting Early Years to Kindergarten Transition)

2024-2025 meetings

September 26th

November 28th (in-person)

January 30th

March 27th

May 29th