# Minutes of the Kitsilano Committee on Mental Health, Monday, August 3.

7:40 Call to Oder. Chairman - Jeff Marvin

It had been decidied by the steering committee that the chairmanship should be rotated. Lois King was to be chairwoman, but due to illness could not attend.

- 1. Minutes of the July 30 meeting were revised and adopted.
- 2. BUDGET (report by Jeff Marvin)

At an informal meeting on Friday, August 2, Jeff Marvin, Hugh Parfitt, Barry Coull and Lois King met with Kyle, Bonham, and Goodacre to continue discussions over the budget. Jeff felt that it had been a good meeting. Kyle laid out his position as to what he would support and what he would not support. Principally, Kyle stated that salaries will be paid according to provincial salary scales.

The steering committee, in the light of this meeting, revised the budget. The principle change was in the salary levels of the 11 mental health workers. They new read:

1 Senior Mental Health Worker \$ 14.880 1 Community Mental Health Nurse \$ 11:880 1 Registered Nurse \$ 9,744 2 Community Psychiatric Nurses at at \$9,840 \$ 19,680. 2 Community Psychiatric Nurses III at \$10,620 \$ 21,240 \$ 8,724 1 Community Mental Health worker I \$ 20,808 2 Community Mental Health worker II at \$10,404 1 Community Mental Health worker III \$ 10.788

Jeff and company felt that Kyle would support this budget.

The other major change was to split the short-stay crisis residence from the mental health team as a tactical move.

Discussion: Most of the discussion centred around the new community mental health worker category. Kyle is presently working on the job descriptions. At this stage, it would seem that the only qualification for a Community Mental Health Worker I will be experience, rising to completion of highschool, some university training, and experience for a Community Mental Health Worker III. A large amount of concern was expressed that these new job categories not become tightly entwined by formal or "paper" qualifications. The question of what attitudes the Public Service Commision (if the mental health team are employed by the province) or the unions might take to this new category was raised. It was suggested that we need to find out just what the job descriptions are going to include, and what regulations might come into force.

Moved: (dick Betts, Penny Hicks) - That we ratily the budget as presented by Jeff and send it to the Co-ordinating Committee for their meeting on Wednesday, August 14.

Barry Coull will present the budget to the committee.

# 3. Inter-Area Meetings (report by Barry Coull)

There have been 3 meetings to date; no representatives from Kitsilano were at the last meeting. The following issues came up at the last meeting.

- There is no citizen participation on the North Shore. Individual efforts will be mounted to get people organized.

- Co-ordinators for Mt. Pleasant and Strathcons have been selected.

- Mt. Pleasant has requested a representative of its own on the Co-ordinating and all mond will be invited to the next meeting. Committee. They will be supported by a letter from the inter-area meeting, arguing that every local area should have a representative.
- Next meeting is on Thursday, August 16, at 1087 West Broadway.
- 4. Research Report (report by Penny Hicks)

The research group have worked out a questionnaire and covering letter to be sent of agencies that serve Kitsilano seeking statistics on themneed for short-stay crisis facilities. The information will be made available to all groups.

The research committee needs more help.

- 5. Citizen Participation Report Tabled
- 6. Internal Organization and Elections

It was agreed that at the next meeting there would be a full discussion on the organizational needs of the citizens committee. This will be formalized, and elections held at the meeting in four weeks time.

7. Building: An ad-hoc committee of Gavin Perryman, Hugh Parfitt, Alice, Jackie, and Bill will start exploring the possibilities for a building to house the team.

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# JOB DESCRIPTION FOR COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH WORKER

Dr. Kyle has said he would draw up the job description for the community menatl health worker. It is my suggestion that the Citizens' Committee draw up a job description to fit its needs and present it to Kyle. The job description typed bellow is based on the job description of the Childrens' Aid Community Worker. It is presented here for discussion.

Two primary objectives of the Community Menatl Health Worker programme are to identify and support those forces in the community that are conducive to development of mental health, and to combat those community forces that are impeding and/or destructive to social well being of individuals and families.

The Community Health Worker will be indigenous and a non-professional whose tasks will be:

- to provide direct assistance through advice and guidance.
- to assist individuals, families and groups become aware of resources available from the Mental Health Team, and other agencies
  - -to expedite reciept of services and to serve as an advoquate with regard to inadequate delivery of service
  - to mobilize community resources
  - to serve as a bridge between citzens' needs and appropriate professional services
  - -to encourage citizens to become involved in a mutual self -help relationship with other people who are also in need
  - to stimulate citizens to take action on their wwn behalf.

# Report from the Ad-hoc Committee to find a Facility for the Team

Meeting on Monday, August 20. Hugh Parfitt, Gavin Perryman, Marilyn Kalman.

1. The problems of zoning and development permits.

In applying for a development permit, there seem to be 3 possibilities:

(a) Apply as "an institution of religious, philanthropic, or charitable character"

This means being incorporated under the Societies Act.

This is a conditional use in all zoning categories in Kits, except for C-3 (high density commercial), M-1 (light industrial), and M-2 (medium

density industrial) where it is an oddiegno (b) Apply as "a use required by public authorit," This is a conditional use in all z ning categories in Kitsilano. (c) as an office building This is an outright use in commercial areas, and a conditional use in industiral areas. 2. Possible buildings that we could use. (a) House - impuses an informal style \* number of smallish rooms \* lack of access \* problem of neighbourhood relations (b) Store-front - accessible to public transi; \* accessible to the community (which is vital if we are interested in ducation and prevention and community feedback) \* informal if well-designed \* good location for drop-in \* most likely to be acceptable to the authorities and to residents in the area (c) Offices - relatively formal and intimidating \* lack of direct access to the public (d) Warehouse - usually in a bad location \* would need extensive renovations. 3. Reccomendation That we set as a top priority a store-front operation with the following criteria: - central to Kitsilano, on 4-th or 9-th. -near to good public transit - sufficient space (size small rooms) - the pussibility of having a 2-storey operation. DOLENT A

# Kitsilano Citizen's Committee for Mental Health.

A meeting of the Kitsilano Citizens' Committee for Mental Health was held at 7.30 pm, Monday July 16th 1973 in Kitsilano House.

Jeff Marvin was in the chair.

Minutes of the July 3rd meeting read and adopted.

Butch Leslie reported on the July 10th Co-ordinating Committee meeting at which he, Lois King and Nick Zepantis had submitted our budget proposals. He said that the general climate seemed unfriendly: for example, the delegation was not invited to sit down at the table with the members of the Committee. Dr John Cumming presented a number of detailed objections to the budget, including:

1) the equalisation of salaries would be an 'administrative nightmare' and would not be acceptable to the unions and professional associations involved. There was a need for some uniformity in personnel policy throughout the project.

2) the drop-in function was not required because it was already being provided by the M.P.A.

3) there was no specific provision for supervisory personnel.

4) the general expenses budget was far too generous.

5) the budget for drugs had been cut by half.

6) the crisis hostel, as proposed, could not be justified for Kitsilano alone,

on the basis of his figures.

Dr Donald Coates had characterised the budget as 'antiprofessional and confrontational'. He suggested that it be withdrawn and studied further by representatives of the Co-ordinating Committee and the Kitsilano Citizens Committee rather than have it voted down altogether. The delegation had agreed to this after attempting, in the limited time available, to correct some of the Coordinating Committee's misconceptions.

Following Butch Leslie's report there was a lengthy discussion during which the following points were made: 1) The treatment received by the delegation was shabby, especially in view of the voluntary effort that had gone into the preparation of the budget submission. 2) It was necessary to spell out more clearly just what skills and attributes were needed for prospective workers. 5) Equalisation of salaries, whilst desirable, was less important than the need to make jobs available to suitable applicants, regardless of qualifications. 4) The capacity to provide supervision or to accept added responsibility did not necessarily entail a salary differential.

Some reference was made to the crisis hostel budget, but it was not discussed in detail.

Moved that the Steering and Personnel Committees contact Dr Kyle in order to initiate further discussion of the budget with members of the Coordinating Committee. Seconded and passed.

Final plans for the July 24th public meeting were discussed. Arrangements were made for the distribution of the publicity committee's newspaper (which received high praise from all).

Moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded and passed.

KITSILANO CITIZENS COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH

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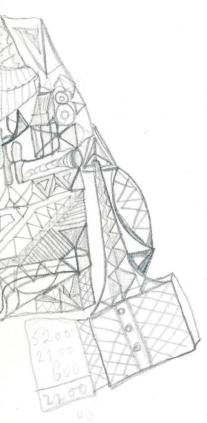
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# AGENDA: JULY 30, 1973

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Minutes
- 3. Correspondence
- 4. Brief to the Committee on Citizen Representation.
- 5. Budget Report Levi 18,24+25
- 6. Expansion of Personnel Committee.
- 7. Research Group
- 8. Further Business. Welfar Lept





# Mental health committee we urges Kits centre mobility

By ROBERT SARTI

go home at midnight, the citfor the planned new Kitsilano community mental health centre warned Tuesday.

The 80-member committee voted unanimously to press a short-stay crisis residence to provide overnight and longer accommodation for individuals who are suffering severe mental distress.

The recommendation is for an eight-bed facility to be established in a renovated residential house in Kitsilano, but committee members said the need in Kitsilano is for at least three times that number

Lanny Beckman said the Mental Patients Association's drop-in centre in Kitsilano has to turn away four or five individuals nightly.

"These people are not together enough to get some place to live or something to eat, and they wind up walking the streets or sleeping on the beach," said Beckman.

"One of the most frustrating things is running a drop-in centre and having to turn people out at the end of the

Another committee member cited the example of an elder-

ly man who turned up at a Kitsilano drop-in centre the previous night in such a state of disorientation that he had sold his \$12 welfare food voucher for \$4. The centre staff managed to find a bed for him on the North Shore but they had to drive him there at 2 a.m.

Several committee members emphasized that the residence should be designed to serve all age groups - and not be solely youth-oriented.

"We should get away from calling it a hostel, because a lot of older people associate that with hippies," said one member.

"You might get a guy who's freaking out because he's found his kid's on smack (heroin), and the last thing he needs is to walk into a place and find a long-haired freak lying on a bed.

The planned mental health community centre, which may get under way in three months, is meant to decentralize mental health services and substitute small, familiar neighborhood clinics for Riverview mental hospital.

The Kitsilano undertaking is part of the new Greater Vancouver Mental Health Project, which eventually plans to operate eight community outpatient clinics as the first ex-

periment of its kind in Canada.

Responsibility for the clinics resides with the Metropolitan Board of Health, a body of municipal politicians and medical health officers.

But the Kitsilano advisory committee - which represents such groups as the Kitsilano Information Centre, Kitsilano Area Resources Council, MPA, SPEC and the Vancouver Legal Referral Service - has been battling with the government to ensure citizens participation in planning and running the clinics.

Committee spokesman Jeff Marvin told the meeting that the committee had been seeking citizen membership on the Metropolitan Health Planning and Advisory Board, one of the governmental overseeing bodies.

"There are no citizens on that board now," said Marvin. "We asked for membership and they appointed a committee to look into citizen participation.

"It's a new type of personnel that we need, people more involved in their community than is usual with mental health workers," said Marvin. "They have to be familiar with the resources of the community, where to get jobs, welfare, housing."

# Meeting: Monday July 16, 1973 Kitislano House 7th& Vine 7:30pm

Call to Order

- 1. Minutes of the previous meeting
- 2. Report on budget presentation to the Coordinating Committee -- Butch Leslie
- 3. Business re July 24/73 General Meeting:

Volunteer Map -- Larry Wolfe
Publicity Committee Report- Stan Persky

Press Release Agenda Committee Report

- 4. Brief re representation on Citizens' Committee- Lois King
- 5. Further business
- 6. Adjournment

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# MINUTES OF MEETING OF KITSILANO CITIZENS' COMMITTEE of the GREATER VANCOUVER MENTAL HEALTH PROJECT

HELD: July 3, 1973 - 7:30 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY: Butch Leslie

- 1. Report on Co-ordinating committee meeting of June 26
- 2. Agreed that steering at personnel committees to send members to present budget to co-ordinating committee on July 10.

Discussion of this final budget. Points questioned by Dr. Kyle and other members of co-ordinating group: High secretarial salaries, large general expenses budget, short stay hostel, equalization of salaries for hostel workers. Alterations were made to original budget to elaborate on question areas, but no changes of substance were made.

# Motion:

Alterations be approved in principle (passed unanimously.)

# 3. Inter-area Meeting:

Kitsilano, West End, Strathcona, Mt. Pleasant; large differences between groups. Kits and West End appear most organized. Other projects facing more fragmented communities. Group has sent letter to Project leaders seeking sub-area or project representation on co-ordinating committee. In response, a sub-committee has been struck.

# 4. Housing:

Emphasis placed on long stay residences as the key element in an alternative to Riverview system. We must work closely with other groups to maintain this emphasis, but caution urged in our pushing ideas on other areas.

#### Motion:

We propose to inter-area meeting; that hostels be established on neighbourhood basis only, and that wee express opposition to large central establishments, e.g. Bridge Y suggestion.

# 5. Publicity: Communications:

Wide ranging discussion of fears, hostilities, anxieties, rumours, and criticisms engendered by the Kits project. In the end, general agreement that there is a need for a large public meeting to inform the Kitsilano community of this project. Press to be invited, also, representatives of other projects.

July 24 - Kitsilano United Church - 7:30 p.m. Agenda committee, and publicity committee to meet and report on progress July 17. Phone committee also established.

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#### COORDINATING COMMITTEE

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DATE:

July 10, 1973

TIME:

10:00 a.m.

PLACE:

Meeting Room "A", Health Department

Vancouver City Hall

# AGENDA

1. Minutes of the Meeting of June 26, 1973

- 2. Matters arising from the Minutes
- 3. Kitsilano Budget
- 4. Richmond Budget
- 5. Personnel Policies
- 6. Representation Strathcona Area
- 7. Vancouver General Hospital and Boarding Home Study -- Executive Director
- 8. Area Representations -- Dr. Cumming, Mr. Goodacre
- 9. Executive Director's Report
  - -- Staffing
  - -- Sub-committee: Research & Records

10. Other Business

# ENCLOSURES

Kitsilano Budget Richmond Budget Inter-Citizen Community Minutes Richmond Citizen Community Minutes

# KITSILANO CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE FOR MENTAL HEALTH

# BUDGET PROPOSAL

The following budget, prepared by the steering and personnel committees, was approved by the Citizens Committee on June 19th. It is intended to cover the estimated costs for two facets of the hitsilano Mental Health Project, namely the main mental health centre and an 8-bed crisis hostel. Whilst these two may be considered separately, it is felt that neither can operate effectively without the other. It is also the opinion of the Committee that longer stay residential facilities will heed to be established in the near future.

# A. Mental Health Centre.

The centre will provide the following services and functions: administration; office therapy; drop-in services; 24-hour walk-in crisis services; group therapy; group activities and friend-advocate home services.

Salaries (employee benefits are included in the following figures)

\$15,000 1 Coordinator at \$15,000 \$16,000 2 Secretaries at \$8,000 (these salaries, whilst slightly higher than average, take into account the fact that the secretaries will be expected to handle book-keeping and medical records. Not only that, they will be part of the team, and as such will relate directly to clients when the need arises). \$43,750 2 Half-time Psychiatrists (250 sessions of \$87.50 per session - 721,875) (it is hoped that the project will be exciting enough 500 to attract at least one psychiatrist who would be prepared to work full time for an annual salary of \$21,875). \$110,000 11 Mental Health Workers at \$10,000 (to include one full time coordinator of volunteers and at least one worker with special knowledge of community resources. The workers will each act as friend-advocates to a number of clients and will cover the 24 hour crisis service and drop-in service in rotation. The committee strongly endorsed the principle of equal salaries for all workers, being

\$184,750 \$184,750

# Capital and Overhead Costs

Accommodation: rent or mortgage payments on a very large house at \$600.00 per month \$7,200

convinced that this was an essential element in the creation of a cohesive and effective team. Experience

elsewhere (e.g. Youth Workers at Toronto General

Hospital) tends to support this view).

Utilities: telephone installation and rental; heat; electricity; answering service and pagers \$3,000

Equipment and Furniture for: offices (2); office

therapy (2); drop-in areas (3); crisis rooms (2); friend-advocate office (1); group therapy and meeting		
rooms (2); activities room (basement), bathrooms with baths and showers	\$9,500	
House renovation (may be included in mortgage) (these estimates have been discussed with a professional architect who thought them to be reasonable)		
Supplies and Materials: \$1,800	3,300	
Drop-in: coffee etc \$2,000 Household supplies \$600 Medical \$3,000 Activities \$1,200 Crafts \$1,800	/3, 400 \$10,400	
\$10,400  General Expenses: Client transportation \$4,450	<b>\$10,400</b>	
Food \$1,200 Baby sitters \$750 Homemakers \$2,400 Household repairs \$600		
Moving expenses \$600 Recreation \$2,000	\$12,000	
Contingency	\$2,000 \$ 51,100	\$51,100 \$235,850
TOTAL BUDGET		8
Less: Psychiatrists' fees and salaries recoverable from B.C.Medical Services Commission NET BUDGET	_	\$43,750 \$192,100

# Comments on the Mental Health Centre Budget.

This budget has the same objectives as those outlined an the West End budget and the two are much the same with the following exceptions:

(1) Three extra mental health workers are needed for the provision of 24 hour service.

(2) Equalisation of mental health worker salaries (see above).(3) An increase in general expenses. The committee believes that economic problems are frequently significant in the life of the mental patient and especially so in times of crisis. The ready availablility of cash to provide needed services as listed above will greatly facilitate the work of the team.

# B. Eight Bed Crisis Hostel.

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#204-655 Minoru Boulevard Richmond, B. C. June 29th, 1973

Dr. R. J. McQueen Chairman Co-ordinating Committee Greater Vancouver Metropolitan Mental Health Advisory & Planning Committee 453 West 12th Avenue Vancouver 10, B. C.

Dear Dr. McQueen:

At the last meeting of the Richmond Local Area Committee held on June 19th, 1973 the following action was taken:-

A motion was made to the effect that the Chairman be instructed to prepare a request to the Co-ordinating Committee for consideration of the appointment of a full-time Administrator for this city and the subsequent appointment of a full Area Treatment Team. The motion also recommended that a proposed budget for the above be enclosed, and in this regard a preliminary budget is attached herewith.

May I request that you present our proposals for the consideration of the Co-ordinating Committee at its next meeting on July 10th, 1973.

Sincerely,

Chairman

Richmond Area Citizens Committee Mental Health Services Division

Mrs. Frene & Brown

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# PRELIMINARY TWELVE MONTH BUDGET ESTIMATE

# Personal Services

Psychi	atrists*	@ \$87.50	per	session
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1 0 250 sessions $(\frac{1}{2} \text{ time})$ \$21,875 1 6 250 sessions $(\frac{1}{2} \text{ time})$ \$21,875 \$43,750	\$	43,750
Team Administrator** 1 @ \$19,812	\$	19,812
Senior Mental Health Worker*** 1 @ \$14,880	\$	14,880
Community Psychiatric Nurses Grade III 2 @ \$10,620 Grade II 4 @ \$ 9,804	\$	21,240
Occupational Therapist Grade II 1 @ \$10,620	\$	10,620
Stenographic - Clerical Staff: Clerk-Steno III 1 @ \$7908 Clerk-Typist II 1 @ \$6624	\$ \$ \$ 3	7,908 6,624 49,518
Associated Benefits:		

B. C. Medical Plan	w.	\$75/person (11)	\$	825
U J.C.	@	\$63.36/person		
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			\$	1,521.96

TOTAL

\$151,039.96

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\$ 5,850

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Associated Benefits: B. C. Medical Plan @ \$75/person (11) \$	825	
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		\$151,039.96
TOTAL		\$15£,039.90
Travel		
For 9 staff @ \$650		\$ 5,850
Accommodation		
2000 square feet @ \$6.00 per sq. ft.		\$ 12,000
Utilities		
Telephone installation and rental		\$ 1,200
Equipment & Furniture		
Office, waiting room and O.T. area.		\$ 7,500
Supplies & Materials		12 (15)
	2,000	
Medical \$6	5,000	8,000
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# General Expenses

Petty cash, patient transportation, in-service education, purchase of ancillary services, e.g.homemaker. \$ 2,200

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Budget Total

\$186,289.96

LESS:

Sessional services recoverable from B.C. Medical Services

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# BUDGET TOTAL

\$142,539.96

\* Recoverable from B. C. Medical Services Commission

\*\* Based on Psychologist III maximum salary level

\*\*\* Based on Social Worker II maximum salary level

# MINUTES to meeting number 1 of the INTER-AREA CITIZENS' COMMITTEES of the

GREATER VANCOUVER MENTAL HEALTH PROJECT 21 June 1973

Present at the meeting were representatives of Strathcona (Marie Seto, Effic Keys, Pat Calford & Janet Sansalone), Mt. Pleasant (Mish Vadasz), West End (Connie Sanders & Garry Sussman), and Kitsilano (Carolyn Reynolds, Jeff Marvin, Barry Coull & Lois King).

The meeting opened with general introductions and the selection of Barry Coull as Chairman and Jeff Marvin as Recording Secretary. Each group then detailed their individual levels of organization, problems, etc.

Kitsilano: Barry Coull The Kitsilano committee was spurred in part by a visit of Home Treatment Personnel (Dr. Hugh Parfitt, Joan McDermott and Pat webb) to the mental Patients Association early in 1973. In concert with interested individuals and personnel from other agencies (especially Kits House and KARA) public meetings were called and various committees selected (a Steering comm. and a Personnel comm.). At one meeting, Executive Director John Kyle gave his verbal assurance that the citizens' committee would have to approve any personnel before they were hired.
Subsequently, one member (Barry Coull) was elected to sit on the
Coordinating Committee. Thus far, the Coord. Comm. has agreed
to only one citizen rep. from the entire Burrard area, and there are no citizen representatives on the Planning and Advisory Comm. Kitsilano has also submitted a budget proposal, containing three phases including short-term and long-term hostels. (Carolyn Reynolds mentioned that she had met with Kyle earlier and the suggestion had come up that the Bridge Y be used as a combined hostel for the entire Burrard area. This was greeted with general distaste.)

West End: Connie Sanders
This was the first citizens' group set up, inspired by a visit of Drs. Cumming and Coates, and Mr. Bonham to the local resources Council, which they informed of impending plans to start a community care project. They wanted local citizens to form a committee, initially conceived as an informational comm. The people in the area felt there should be some responsibility and control and kept in touch with Minister Cocke and local MLA's. In late 1972, the Community Care Services Society informed the city that they expected to have a team fielded by January 1973, and that the city should control the project. At the end of January, Dr. Bunton was hired on part-time, unknown to the citizens comm. 3 nurses

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were also hired from Home Treatment. The committee now has some control (similar to kits above) over hiring. There is as yet no team administrator. To this point, the comm. has acted as a large open group, electing ad hoc committees as the need arises. The west End team will be a compromise structure, embodying an O.T. worker, a Child and Family worker, 3 or 4 mental health workers, a half-time psychiatrist, a community worker, an administrator, and a secretary. A subcommittee is working on future facilities. A house is being investigated. It was also pointed out that some g ains have been made by the citizens comm. in that orriginally no representatives were going to sit on the Coord. Comm.

Strathcona: Pat Calford & Marie Seto Strathcona has had the same sorts of hassles. Their budget has already been determined. The hiring committee is heavily weighted with professional people (8 of 10). Thus far, citizen participation very limited. No-one has been hired yet, though their is a need for indigenous workers (Chinese, Indian, Portuguese). Marie Seto pointed out the fantastic EMPER power struggle going on in the area. A real problem is that resources and projects tend to be of a short-term nature. There have been 70-80 workers but no intensive community development. Dr. Miller (UBC) is out there often. There are many socioeconomic problems among the people, many of whom are concentrated in two large housing projects (McLean's Park and Raymur). Much work must be done on housing, parks, jobs, recreation and schools first, before the citizens will organize for mental health, which stems from these needs and pressures. Thus far, we have gotten a runaround; Dr. Kyle has denied ever receiving minutes to our meetings, and there is fear that the credibility of the mommittee will be questioned as unrepresentative. The local people are demoralized (mainly on welfare), there are no childcare facilities to free the people to come to meetings,

Mt. Pleasant: Mish Vadasz

People here held their first meeting this very morning (21 June).

Mainly professionals. The next meeting is July 3. Coates was there, and he has applied for the job as Team Administrator.

(Barry Coull pointed out that Coates is the Burrard Rep. to the Coord. Comm. as selected by the Coord. Comm., and he has also applied to be research director of the project, as well as head of the Strathcoma team), Thank you, Barry.

there is a strong language barrier.

Pat Calford (Strath.) pointed out that prospective applicants will spend at least a full day with the citizens' committee getting oriented and being observed. Barry Coull pointed out that advertising was to be done at the Canadian Psychiatric Assoc. at the Bayshore that weekend.

There was then a discussion on joint action. Connie Sanders mentioned

that the coordinating comm. had been impressed by the commonality of our presentations and points.

Jeff Marvin pushed strongly for coordination of efforts and to ensure the citizen strength of all the areas.

Barry Coull pointed out that the Coordinating Committee had rejected individual representation from sub - Sub-areas (eg. Kits, west and as subs of Burrard); Connie mentioned that they are divided on the issue; Barry reiterated that the the Provincial Mental Health Branch distrusts the Coord. Comm. feeling it is overly professional and becoming the executive arm of the Metro Board of Health.

Gary Sussman mentioned t hat there was some resistance from other areas (Burnaby, Richmond, North Shore) as these groups felt sub-area Rep. would leave them outvoted.

Disucssion then reverted back to the problems faced in Strathcona, with Marie Seto mentioning the peole's concern with social issues. Mental health was a foreign concept. Gary S. stated that the priority is education. Barry C. indicated that the Language Aid Project found about 60 ethnic people in a quick search who would not communicate with staff. Marie Seto mentioned that the people just won't come out unless they are offered something tangible.

As the meeting was drawing to a close, discussion returned to sub-area rep. Connie doubted we'd get it, though we should push for open meetings of the Coord. Comm. Barry pointed out that the Coord. Comm. had turned down subarea reps, auditors and open meetings. Connie suggested we contact hiegher-ups - the City Council, School Trustees on the Metro Board of Health, Health and welfare Committee, Corke, MLA's, etc. She was directed to draft a letter to the Secretary of the Metro Board of Health, the elected members of the Board, and the Coordinating Comm.

The next meeting was called for July 5 at 3 pm. at the GVMHP office, 1687 w. Boradway.

# STRATHCONA

Marie Seto Effie Keays

Pender YwCA, 375 E. Pender St., 253-1105 Kingsway Children's Aid, 1172 Kingsway home: 224-0554

Pat Calford kingsway CAS, 254-5401 Home: 873-2706 Janet Sansalone, Downtown Comm. Health Centre

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# MINUTES OF RICHMOND AREA COMMITTEE - Mental Health Services Div.

A meeting of the above committee was held on June 19th, 1973. Reports were received and reviewed, and an up to date resume' of activities was circulated.

Mr. Hugh Ross, Administrator of the Richmond General Hospital was a guest, and he reported that the first three properties adjacent to the hospital on Westminster Highway had been acquired. The disposition of this addition will be discussed by the Hospital Board and appropriate members of the G.V.R.H District and the B.C.H.I.S. The Minister of Health has requested that all hospitals in the Province that do not already have acute bed facilities for the emotionally ill make this a priority for Immediate consideration. This committee will be kept informed of any developements in the above regard through the Medical Advisory Committee appointed representative.

Dr. J. Cumming of the Greater Vanc. Metro Mental Health Advisory and Planning Committee and Dr. J. Kyle, Executive Director, Mental Health Project were in attendance, and after hearing from these gentlemen, a question period followed. A member of the Richmond Crises Center, Chimo, would be eligible for funding from the Mental Health Project after the cessation of their L.I.P grant. Dr. Cummings stated that they could be considered, for priority and funding, along with other ancillory services by the Richmond Area Planning committee and appropriate authorities.

A discussion regarding the next steps to be taken resulted in a motion to the effect that Richmond Area Committee - Mental Health Division request the immediate appointment of an Area Administrator and a full Treatment Team. This request will be forwarded to Dr. Roberta McQueen, the Chrmn. of the Co-ordinating Committee of the Creater Vancouver Metro Mental Health Advisory and Planning Committee, along with a preliminary budget for consideration at their next meeting on July 10th, 1973. Copies of this request will be distributed to the Chrmn. and Executive of the United Community Services - Richmond Div., (this committee being a task committee of that Division) also Mrs. Irene Howard, Health Liaison committee member of the Richmond City Council, and appointee to the Metro. Board of Health.

The next meeting of this committee will be held on Tuesday, July 3rd at 12 noon in the Public Health Unit Board Room.

#### COORDINATING COMMITTEE

A Meeting of the Coordinating Committee was held on June 26, 1973 at 10:30 a.m. in #3 Committee Room, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT:

Dr. R.J. McQueen

Dr. G.H. Bonham

Dr. D. Coates

Dr. J. Cumming

Mr. R. Goodacre

Dr. W. Holt

Dr. C. Key

Dr. J.D. Kyle

Dr. W.J.G. McFarlane

Miss C. Sanders

Dr. S. Stephenson

Dr. J. White

Mrs. I. Brown

REGRETS:

Dr. T. Jones

Chairman

Chairman, Greater Vancouver Met-

ropolitan Mental Health Advisory

and Planning Committee

Burrard Coordinator

Provincial Mental Health Service

Representative of Advisory and

Planning Committee

Provincial Mental Health Service

Burnaby sub-area Representative Representative of Mental Health

Advisory and Planning Committee

Executive Director, Mental Health

Project

Representing Riverview

Burrard Area Representative

Representing Division of Child

Psychiatry, U.B.C.

Richmond Health Department

Richmond Representative

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JUNE 19, 1973

MOVED

SECONDED

THAT the Minutes be accepted as circulated

CARRIED

## MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

(a) Barry Coull to be referred to as "temporary alternate representative of Burrard Area".

# (b) Burnaby Project

Discussion continued from June 19, 1973 Meeting on approval of the project, in the areas of community team involvement, staffing and salary scales, continuity of administration and auspices of employment.

MOVED by Dr. G.H. Bonham

SECONDED by Dr. W. Holt

THAT the Burnaby project be accepted in principle and that a recommend-

ation be made to the Metropolitan Board of Health Meeting (June 27, 1973) that the project come under the auspices of the Metropolitan Board of Health at a specified time, with the following provisos:

- (i) that the Executive Director and planning staff participate actively in the development of the project;
- (ii) that two additional community teams be hired under the Metropolitan Board of Health;
- (iii) that community committees continue to act as under the present structure subject to modifications of local areas pending review by the Metropolitan Health Board, and chairmen to be seated on this Committee.

Prior to vote, AGREED by Dr. G.H. Bonham to withdraw proviso (iii) on condition that it be considered an issue at a later date.

CARRIED

### AMENDMENT

Dr. J. Cumming amended the motion to read that development of the teams be facilitated in the budget for personnel, to be presented to the Metropolitan Board of Health Meeting (June 27, 1973) and a separate sub-committee be established from existing Board to deal with recruitment and personnel.

Dr. G.H. Bonham accepted the amendment SECONDED by Dr. D. Coates

CARRIED

## 3. RESEARCH AND RECORDS

Dr. J.D. Kyle made the following recommendations:

- (a) recruitment of one full time research officer (R.O. IV) to be located in Vancouver;
- (b) Dr. D. Coates prepare a proposal and supporting budget directed towards the development of a psychiatric record system;
- (c) a sub-committee be set up to prepare detailed plan of research strategy for the project;
- (d) authority to bring in selected research resource personnel to assist sub-committee on a sessional basis (at City sessional rates charged against full time R.O. I provisions).

MOVED by Dr. G.H. Bonham SECONDED by Dr. W. Holt THAT the proposed recommendations be accepted

CARRIED

Dr. D. Coates to prepare a budget and outline on research and records by the end of July, 1973.

# 4. OTHER BUSINESS

# (a) Services to City Jail

Dr. W.J.G. McFarlane reported on the need for psychiatric services to City Jail, presenting the following proposals:

(i) psychiatric services be made to City Jail;

(ii) the frame of reference to include more than forensic services;

(iii) prosecutors to recommend appropriate treatment;

(iv) community treatment be made a part of the program available to psychiatrist.

MOVED by Dr. W.J.G. McFarlane SECONDED by Dr. D. Coates THAT the Committee accept and sanction the above-mentioned proposals.

CARRIED

Dr. J.D. Kyle to propose details of program.

# (b) Short Stay Day Treatment Centre

(i) Short Stay Day Hospital

MOVED by Dr. W. Holt
SECONDED by Mrs. I.Brown
THAT steps be taken to develop a Short Stay Day Hospital and supporting budget.

CARRIED

(ii) Short Stay Residence

MOVED by Dr. G.H. Bonham
SECONDED by Dr. D. Coates
THAT a Short Stay Residence facility be accepted as proposed and that a supporting budget be prepared.

CARRIED

(iii) Geriatric Day Centre

MOVED by Dr. G.H. Bonham
SECONDED by Dr. J. Cumming
THAT a Geriatric Day Centre facility be accepted as proposed.

CARRIED

(c) A sub-committee of Dr. J.D. Kyle, Dr. J. Cumming and Dr. W. Holt was formed to prepare budgets for Burnaby Mental Health Project to be presented at the Metropolitan Board of Health Meeting on June 27, 1973.

## 5. NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting of the Coordinating Committee will be held on Tuesday, July 10, 1973, at 10:00 a.m. in Meeting Room "A", Health Department, Vancouver City Hall.

## 6. ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.