

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 and 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 ~~we~~ 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.