



ANNUAL REPORT TO CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

To: **Francis Cheung**
Chief Administrative Officer

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MEMBERSHIP LIST

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January-June:

- Langley Secondary School
- Langley Secondary School
- Langley Secondary School
- Langley Fundamental Secondary
- Aldergrove Community Secondary
- R.E. Mountain Secondary School
- Brookwood Secondary School
- H.D. Stafford Middle School
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- Vanguard Secondary School
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University
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- City of Langley Staff Representative
- City Councillor Representative
- Alternate City Councillor Rep
- Recreation Director
- Clerk/Typist III

October-December:

- City Councillor Representative
- Alternate City Councillor Rep

Val van den Broek	- Alternate City Councillor Rep
Sheza Shahzad	- Aldergrove Community Secondary
Sarah Abassi	- Aldergrove Community Secondary
Jayde Marno	- Brookwood Secondary School
Evelyn Zhang	- Brookwood Secondary School
Erika Gow	- DW Poppy Secondary School
Natalie Hagyard	- Langley Secondary School
Jaden Lamothe	- Langley Secondary School
Nicolette Prashad	- RE Mountain Secondary
Ben van Dommelen	- Langley Fundamental Secondary
Ash Bergeron	- HD Stafford Middle School
Ava Balfour	- HD Stafford Middle School
Kaylee Downie	- HD Stafford Middle School
Kim Hilton	- Director, Recreation, Culture and
Community Services	
Christine Daum	- Recreation Supervisor
Rebecca Gannon-Snow	- Recreation Leader
Michele Payne	- Clerk Typist III

NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD FROM JANUARY TO JUNE

5 Meetings – February 2nd, 2017
March 2nd, 2017
April 6th, 2017
April 27th, 2017
June 1st, 2017

NUMBER OF MEETING HELD FROM OCTOBER TO DECEMBER

3 meetings – October 12th, 2017
November 2nd, 2017
December 7th, 2017

ACTIVITIES, HIGHLIGHTS, AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Youth Committee, with help from the Recreation Leader, were responsible for the brainstorming and planning of Youth Week 2017 events, which began as early as November 2016 and continued through until April 2017, giving the youth involved a sense of ownership and community as well as a personal stake in the event planning process.

Early in the planning process, it became quite clear that the Youth Council hoped to execute a wide variety of different activities in order to reach diverse youth demographics and age groups within the city. There were a total of six events encompassing a broad spectrum of recreational initiatives including visual art, sports, and community volunteering to name a few. With the help of the Youth Council, these events were planned and executed at a minimal cost to the local youth population. The overall youth turnout marked the highest

attendance and participation seen in years during Youth Week at Langley City.

Youth Week 2017 Events:

April 15 th	Krispy Kreme Fundraiser
May 1 st	Community Garden Planting
May 3 rd	3 on 3 Basketball Tournament
May 4 th	Art Show/Art Battle
May 5 th	Amazing Race
May 6 th	Carnival
May 7 th	Langley Walk – Youth Booth

In November, the Youth Council coordinated with the Langley City Parks department to help decorate Douglas Park for the Remembrance Day Ceremony. Three Youth Council members joined the Recreation Leader to spray paint poppies along the grass near the Cenotaph and the Douglas Park stage. While the youth were painting, several community members stopped by to share words of encouragement and support of the youth's participation in this activity.

In December, the Youth Council participated in the Langley Christmas Parade. New this year, the Youth Council submitted an entry to walk in the parade instead of volunteering at the hot chocolate and craft stations as they have done previous years. Three Youth Council members participated in the parade activities; one youth dressed up in a snowman costume, while the other two youth and the Recreation Leader dressed in Christmas attire. The Committee walked in the parade with a decorated "Langley City Youth Advisory Committee" banner, and handed out candy canes to spectators along the route.

STAFF MEMBER TIME SPENT:

Thomas spent approximately 45 hours planning and attending meetings directly related to Youth Council and Youth Week 2016 during the months of January to May.

Presently, Rebecca has spent approximately 4 hours on planning and attending meetings regarding Youth Council/ Youth Council Events and Youth Week 2018.

Rebecca has also spent approximately 8 hours planning and attending meetings and events directly related to Youth Council's involvement in the Magic of Christmas Parade and Remembrance Day Ceremony during the months of October to December.

BUDGET – MONIES RECEIVED AND MONIES EXPENDED:

Money used for Youth Week is either raised through Youth Committee run fundraisers or is received through City of Langley RCCS Budget and fundraising Initiatives including sponsorships and grants.

SUBCOMMITTEES ACTIVITIES:

N/A

WORK PROGRAM FOR FOLLOWING 2018:

- ☐ Continue creating unique new Youth Week events in 2018 while building on the successes of Youth Week 2017
- ☐ Increased outreach and partnerships with local businesses and youth organizations
- ☐ Increase involvement of Youth Committee in planning of events and programs within Langley City (youth serving organizations)
- ☐ Increased social initiatives and fundraising events
- ☐ Encourage more connections and events within schools and/or social programs relating to events
- ☐ Involve the youth committee in social media and marketing initiatives throughout Youth Week (and other events, if necessary)
- ☐ Create an atmosphere of excitement and change through engaged youth who want to make a difference in their community

INVOLVEMENT OF THIRD PARTIES (i.e. sponsors, service clubs, organizations, donors, etc.):

Sponsorship/Donations for Youth Week 2017:

Superstore – \$50 Gift Card. Used for groceries for the Carnival (barbeque)
Opus Art Supplies – Six canvases, brush sets, coloured paints, easels, and a \$25 gift card. Used as supplies/prizes for the Art Battle.

Sports Replay – 3 \$25 Gift Cards. Used as prizes for the winning 3 on 3 basketball team.

Me 'N' Eds Pizza Langley – 2 large pizzas. Used for the pizza party prize for the 2 winning Amazing Race teams.

Sticky's Candy – 10 \$5 Gift Cards. Used as prizes.

White Spot – 2 \$25 Gift Cards. Used as prizes.

Toy Traders – Bag full of miscellaneous toys/prizes, valued at approximately \$100. Used as prizes.

Dollars and Cents – \$25 Gift Card. Used for Amazing Race supplies.

Home Hardware – 2 gift baskets. Used for Art Show/Art Battle prizes.

Quiznos – 20 coupons for free drinks. Used as prizes.

LK Law – \$100 Gift Card to Michaels. Used for Art Show/Art Battle supplies.

Langley Youth Hub – 2 bags of individually wrapped candy. Used as Carnival Prizes.

Fraser Valley Party Rentals – Discount of approximately \$70 toward our carnival rentals.

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Youth Week 2017 was, once again, a great success for the city, the community centre, and the Youth Committee. We were able to plan and execute many events that celebrated youth diversity, abilities, and work ethic, and we had a great time doing it. The Youth Committee ranged from grade 7-12, and the members made it clear that we have every reason to be proud of our youth as they consistently showed great attentiveness and exceptional care for their initiatives and for the youth in the area.

The 2017-2018 Youth Committee will be working hard to implement new initiatives and events, including social projects focused on raising awareness for concurrent social and environmental issues prior to Youth Week. Youth Week 2018 will capitalize on the successes of 2017, while seeking to establish new partnerships with local businesses and youth organizations, ideally manifested in joint events and in-kind donations. We are also hoping to increase overall attendance at youth week events through creative marketing, memorable branding, and unique social media initiatives.

With the help of the Youth Committee and from community partners, there's no reason we can't continue to make Youth Week more and more prosperous in future years.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rebecca Gannon-Snow
Recreation Leader