

Futures Planning Group Meeting June 11, 2007

Summary Notes

Decision-making process:

- FPG group determined that consensus is the ideal way to make decisions as a group.
- Group members need to feel heard and acknowledged.
- Suggestion: institute a check-in system on a 5 point scale – 3 and above is go ahead, below 3 is a no go with the suggestion.
- Suggestion: hash out ideas in small groups before discussing in the large group.
- Keep names separate from the ideas. Alternative suggestions should not be linked with specific individual's names in the newspaper.
- Media releases describe the decisions of the group as a whole.

No chair is required for the FPG group.

Carol Picard is to act as the clearinghouse for information and resources put forward by FPG members.

It is important to engage teachers directly in the process – in separate conversations than the open community forums. Need to go to the teachers.

The two designated spokespeople for the FPG group are: Gary Buxton and Robert Earle. Only these people are sanctioned by the group to speak to the media.

Defer discussion of project name and progress monitoring/evaluation of outcomes to the September meeting. The group will jointly decide on the indicators of success.

Initial suggested sources of information for FPG members:

- School District Education Plan
- Banff and Canmore community monitoring reports

Mondays are the best days for future FPG meetings.