



**Diversity Committee Minutes – Dec 7, 2011  
Fort Frances Public Library Technology Centre**

1. **Call to Order:** Anne Renaud called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.
2. **Welcome**
3. **Approval of Minutes:** tabled to next meeting
4. **Approval of Agenda**

**Mission Statement** – “Working together to create communities that celebrate diversity by actively practicing and promoting dignity, respect and inclusiveness.”

**5. Project Updates:**

- **Respect Presentations and Shiny Stickers** : Presentations were given to the principals of RRDSB and Atikokan inter-agency committee. Both sessions were well received. Stickers, lanyards and pens have arrived to hand out to participants. There is interest in another train the trainer session. We need to line up organizations to have sessions. It was suggested we set up a calendar with dates for open presentations and a place to sign up. A formal launch of the campaign should be planned. Anne Renaud will head up a sub-committee with this. February 1<sup>st</sup> is proposed date of roll-out.
- **RRDMA** – Sharon will request a spot at the RR District Municipal Association for us to speak to the community leaders about the Respect Campaign
- **Stuff a Cruiser** – ready to roll out. Was a great success in Atikokan and should be successful in Fort Frances and Emo as well.
- **Member Updates**

- i. Peggy reported that Jeff Dennis would be will to to a video conference on his race relations presentation. We will try to arrange for our March meeting.
- ii. Karen Gregor from KRRDCFS ( Child and family) reported that they have a teen group at FFHS. She also suggested <http://www.kidsmentalhealth.ca/> (Ontario Children’s Mental Health website) as a great resource with links to features and video.
- iii. Tanner Bell – spoke on what was happening at FFHS, Best Buddies, Rachel’s Challenge. Pillars of kindness, a group to focus on anti-bullying. They are also organizing a lip-dub.
- iv.

**6. Adjournment**

**7. Next Meeting – Wednesday, Jan 11, Fort Frances Public Library  
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In Attendance:

Karen Gregor	KRRDCFS
Cindy Richard	RRDWSH
Anne Renaud	Confederation College
Justin Booth	Treaty 3 Police
Peggy Loyie	RRDVSP
Sue Carlson	RRDVSP
Jerry Wu	FFHS
Tanner Bell	FFHS
Steve Latimer	UNFC
Sharon Tibbs	D. Mayor, Town of Fort Frances
Linda Plumridge	FFTimes

Many regrets were received.