

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Councillor Christine Thompson
DATE: February 26, 2018
SUBJECT: Report to Council

January 30th, I attended a meeting of the Boundary Early Years Advisory Committee at Glanville Centre. I was amazed by the number of agencies who are working together to better our Boundary communities. I felt like a sponge trying to soak up the information that was shared. Reports from participants included School District 51, CBAL, Aboriginal Early Years, Boundary Child Care Resource & Referral, Public Health, Family Attachment Matters, Baby' Best Chance, Supported Child Development, Public Health, Speech Therapists in the East and West Boundary, and Community Action Plan for Children in the East and West Boundary. As I attend more meetings, I will endeavour to report more fully on items that I believe would be of interest to Council.

February 12th was Family Day, and I want to say how impressed I was with the events and activities that were offered. Many citizens of our City and area attended and enjoyed the day. Thanks must be given to Jennifer Wetmore from Community Futures who organized the day's events.

The Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce held a General Meeting on January 29th with more than a quorum in attendance. At that meeting, amendments to the bylaws were passed, including that 3 Directors will form quorum at Board Meetings. A Board Meeting was held in Greenwood on February 16th. A fund-raising committee was formed and one suggestion for consideration is a "Councillor Soup Cook-off". The Chamber will be making a presentation to the Councils of Midway, Greenwood and Grand Forks soon to confirm the interest of Councils.

I want to express my appreciation to our Chief Financial Officer and the Management Team for their hard work in preparing the 2018 Financial Plan and presentations at the budget workshops. These workshops are open to the public to afford our taxpayers the opportunity to hear the operational and capital plans for the year, and to ask questions.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor Christine Thompson