## **SOCIETIES ACT -- CONSTITUTION**

The name of the Society is Fernie Sibshops Sibling Support Society

The purposes of the Society are:

- to offer peer support for the siblings of children with special needs;
- to facilitate a safe and supportive environment through organized monthly or bi-monthly group meetings; designed for siblings aged 8-13;
- to promote interpersonal connections with siblings who have shared experiences and provide them with emotional and mental health support;
- to offer learning opportunities, practical coping strategies, effective advocacy, and tools to foster connections within the community;
- to advance education by providing support and information to create more inclusive support networks opportunities for the siblings of children with special needs; and
- to partner with local educators, businesses and agencies to promote and encourage participation within these support groups.