



GRASSLANDS REGIONAL FCSS SOCIETY APPROVED BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

Members Present: Clarence Amulung, Yoko Fujimoto, Tina Preston
Cindy Wolfer, Marissa Wardrop,
Danealle Reinke, Adena Skanderup

Regrets Vienna Dahl

Staff: Lynn Pye-Matheson, FCSS Executive Director
Tammy Johnson, Administrative Assistant

1. **Call to Order:**

Clarence Amulung called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM

2. **AGENDA**

MOVED by Tina Preston that the agenda be accepted as presented.
SECONDED by Marissa Wardrop
CARRIED

3. **Minutes:**

MOVED by Yoko Fujimoto to accept the March 30, 2022 Minutes as presented.
CARRIED

4. Old Business:

a. *COVID-19 Community Response Committee and FCSS Update*

Lynn continues to monitor the COVID-19 situation closely. There is an extensive update in Lynn's Director's Report. The next CRC meeting is May 31st. A decision will be made by the committee regarding the pandemic focus of the CRC moving forward.

b. *Quality of Life #3 Update*

The number of surveys submitted was 1,537. This is a fantastic return as it exceeded of the 5% resident responses per population. Draw prize recipients have also been notified and gifts being distributed.

c. *KPMG Year End 2022*

MOVED by Cindy Wolfer to appoint KPMG for the Grasslands Regional FCSS 2022 Year End Financial Statements Audit.

SECONDED by Marissa Wardrop

CARRIED

d. *Citizen and Junior Citizen of the Year*

The Citizen of the Year is Reg Radke and the Junior Citizen of the Year is Shelby Gilborn. During Volunteer Week (April 24 – 30), the Brooks Bulletin did profiles on Shauna Armstrong, Kimberly Lustranas and Ruth Spragg which were our Honourable Mentions as well as extensive recognition through all available means.

e. *2022 FCSSAA Power of Prevention Conference and AGM, November 16th – 18th and Attendance*

FCSS has five rooms booked for the Power of Prevention Conference in November. Lynn, Tina, Clarence and Danealle will be attending. There is one room left for the Community Project Coordinator position.

f. *South Region FCSSAA Spring Meeting*

The next South Region FCSSAA Meeting has yet to be determined due to staffing changes at the provincial level.

g. *Summer and Staff*

Staff will be taking holidays this summer, Tammy in July and Lynn throughout the summer.

5. Reports:

- a. Executive Director Report: May, 2022

MOVED by Tina Preston to approve the Executive Director Report for May, 2022
CARRIED

- b. Financial Statement: March, 2022 and April, 2022

MOVED by Danealle Reinke to accept the Financial Statements for March, 2022 and April, 2022
SECONDED by Adena Skanderup
CARRIED

- c. Meals on Wheels Program: March and April 2022
- d. Home Cleaning Program: March and April 2022
- e. Project Coordinator Report: May, 2022

MOVED by Adena Skanderup to approve the Meals on Wheels Report (March, 2022 and April, 2022), Home Cleaning Report (March, 2022 and April, 2022), and the Project Coordinator Report for May, 2022.
CARRIED

6. New Business:

- a. *Alberta Supports and FCSSAA*

There has been a great concern of Alberta Supports offices being closed in some communities across Alberta. Alberta Supports has created a system of centralized intake and contact with people is done online or by phone which is depersonalized and creates issues including concerning wait times for clients to receive help, both emergency and non-emergency. These closures have had an impact on the FCSS offices in Alberta. At the FCSSAA Board Meeting on March 11, 2022, the board was informed that Alberta Supports would be reopening to the public in the near future.

- b. *Mental Health Committee*

Lynn has been working with Roberta Rogers (Brooks Campus, local Rural Mental Health group) to gather together service providers and form a local Mental Health Committee which consists of Alberta Health Services, Mental Health; Global Village, SPEC, Victim's Services, Bassano FCSS, Palliser Health Advisory, Brooks Campus Medicine Hat College and Grasslands Regional FCSS. The committee met for the

first time on May 20th. The focus of this committee is to determine the steps that can be taken as pro-active service providers to prevent, mitigate and respond to mental health awareness and issues.

c. *Community Project Coordinator Position*

Victoria Muhlbeier has been hired as the new Community Project Coordinator. She will be starting on June 6th. She is currently employed by the Bassano FCSS and sits on many of the same committees as Grasslands Regional FCSS. She has a strong background with working on websites and she will be a great asset to Grasslands Regional FCSS. Grasslands Regional FCSS is working with Bassano FCSS/Town of Bassano to determine the need for a temporary job sharing arrangement to ensure a smooth transition to the new Bassano FCSS Executive Director position.

d. *Changes to Staffing Province: Civil Societies and Communities Initiatives (CSCI) Branch*

There have been some staffing changes at the Provincial level. Karen Wronko has moved to another position in the Alberta Government. Stephen Gauk will be the new Executive Director of the Civil Society and Community Initiatives (CSCI) branch. Julie Skrepnek has also left the Government of Alberta and they are in the process of recruiting for the Director of Community Preventive Programs position. Lynn will keep the FCSS Board informed of anymore changes. This has resulted in delaying the FCSSAA South Region spring meeting.

7. **Other**

8. **Correspondence:**

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9. **Next Meeting:**

Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 29th, 2022
Brooks Campus, MHC at 5:00 pm

10. Adjournment:

Clarence Amulung adjourned the meeting at 8:23pm.

Board Signing Authority

Executive Director