

TOWN OF BLACKFALDS
Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board
Meeting held Virtually via Microsoft Teams
Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Sands	Town of Blackfalds Councillor
Brenda Dennis	Town of Blackfalds Councillor
Dena Thomas	Public at Large
Sheila Giffin	Public at Large
Auralei Agrey	Public at Large
Melissa MacLeod	Public at Large
Jessalyn Parsons	Public at Large
Annette Bugutsky	Public at Large

ATTENDING

Rick Kreklewich	Town of Blackfalds Director of Community Services
Sue Penner	Town of Blackfalds FCSS Admin Asst

OTHERS ATTENDING

N/A

REGRETS

Glenda Brown	Public at Large
Melissa MacLeod	Public at Large
Cliff Soper	County of Lacombe Resident

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dena Thomas welcomed all attending and called the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board Meeting to order at 6:59 pm.

Councillor Dennis moved that the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TREATY SIX LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A Land Acknowledgement was read to recognize that the Town of Blackfalds is on Treaty Six territory.

PRESENTATIONS

N/A

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BUSINESS

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February 8th minutes will be presented at the April 11th Family & Community Support Services Board meeting along with the March minutes as they were missed in the agenda package.

Leader of Tomorrow Awards Adjudicator

The current process is that the Mayor, FCSS Youth Programmer and one FCSS Board Representative review and adjudicate the Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Awards categories. Chairperson Thomas moved that Member Agrey be appointed to the Youth Awards Adjudication committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FCSS Managers Update

Advertising for the new FCSS Manager closes on Friday, March 15, 2024, and many great applications have been received. The interview process will begin shortly.

Staff continue working with Moorhouse Consulting to have a final document for the FCSS Board to review before it is sent to Town Council.

Volunteer Programmer Report

Drop-in 50+ Walking Club attendance continues to increase. During the month of February 67 people participated. Participants distance is tracked, and the group walked 9744 laps in February which is a remarkable distance!

It's More Than Just a Movie (monthly event) – the February event showcased 'Sweet Home Alabama' and was attended by 24 participants.

Volunteer Recognition Planning has started. During National Volunteer Week April 16-22, 2024 the Best of Blackfalds 18+ event takes place on April 18th and the Youth Recognition Night on May 2nd.

Community Engagement Programmer Report

The Community Volunteer Income Tax Program started on March 1st and has been extremely successful so far with approximately 40 tax related appointments made so far.

The Free Family Easter Event will be held on March 23rd from noon to 2:00 pm at the Community Centre. Confirmed partnerships with Kids Konnection, UBAKA, BBBS, FRN, and Bulldogs and in-kind donations secured from Boston Pizza, DQ and Mac Munchies. BBBS will run a BBQ on a donation basis.

FCSS Facebook Page had 679 followers at the close of February.

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Youth Programmer

BYC continues to see an increase in participants. Popular programs are Child Safe Canada Home Alone Safety, Youth cooking Club, Mission Impossible. The Youth Crew youth ran bingo for Winterfest which was over 150.

Chair Thomas adjourned the the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board Meeting at 7:33 p.m.



Dena Thomas, Chair

Sheila Griffin, Vice Chair



Sue Penner, Admin Staff