

TOWN OF BLACKFALDS
Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board
Meeting held Virtually via Microsoft Teams
Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Sands	Town of Blackfalds Councillor
Brenda Dennis	Town of Blackfalds Councillor
Sheila Giffin	Public at Large, Acting Vice-Chair
Glenda Brown	Public at Large,
Jessalyn Parsons	Public at Large
Melissa MacLeod	Public at Large
Annette Bugutsky	Public at Large
Auralei Agrey	Public at Large
Cliff Soper	County of Lacombe Resident

ATTENDING

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

OTHERS ATTENDING

Tim Moorehouse
Moorehouse & Associates

REGRETS

Dena Thomas	Public at Large
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WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

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

Member Brown 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

Mr. Tim Moorhouse of Moorhouse & Associates joined the board via Teams to discuss the latest updates with the Social Needs Assessment. He outlined to the board the areas where

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updates have been made and ensured that a footer containing the project title and date will be added to the final document.

Once he has a document that he is happy with it will be sent to the Board hopefully by January 19th. Councillor Sands asked that Mr. Moorhouse ensure the final document has correct spelling and grammar to help push this document forward to Council. Member Gilchrist asked to ensure that it is a professional document.

BUSINESS

Minutes

Approval of Minutes from December 14, 2023

Councillor Dennis moved That the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board recommends that Council adopt the minutes from December 14th, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FCSS Managers Report

- The Volunteer Christmas Open House was well attended with 60 volunteers of all ages in attendance – a thank you to our board members who attended.
- Our Volunteer Programmer reported 2092 volunteer hours in 2023.
- The partnership between Blackfalds FCSS and The Beyond Food Community Hub continues to be strong with 463 residents accessing the Christmas Bureau which provided 124 hampers to families, singles, or seniors. Staff reported an increase in people stopping into the FCSS office with larger cash and gift cards donations for the Christmas Bureau.
- The Town of Blackfalds staff participated in the “Reindeer Games” food drive. This resulted in 600+ food items being donated to the Food Bank and \$200 in cash.
- Director Kreklewich advised the board that this is Manager Bornn’s last FCSS meeting as she is off on a new work adventure. The members of the board thanked Sue for all she had done and stated that she was amazing to work with.



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Vice-Chair Giffin adjourned the the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board Meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Sheila Giffin

Sheila Giffin, Vice-Chair

Sue Penner

Sue Penner, Admin Staff