

TOWN OF BLACKFALDS
Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board
Civic Cultural Center – 5018 Waghorn Street
Thursday, November 9th, 2023 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, Board Chairperson
Melissa MacLeod	Public at Large
Glenda Brown	Public at Large
Jessalyn Parsons	Public at Large
Auralei Agrey	Public at Large
Annette Bugutsky	Public at Large via Teams
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 Assistant

OTHERS ATTENDING

Tim Moorhouse Moorhouse & Associates	Via Teams
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REGRETS

Sheila Giffin	Public at Large
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WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Dena Thomas welcomed all attending and called the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board Meeting to order at 7:10 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 acknowledge that the Town of Blackfalds is on Treaty Six territory.

PRESENTATIONS

Tim Moorhouse of Moorhouse & Associates provided a presentation to the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board on the 2022 Social Needs Assessment Follow Up plan.

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Engagement sessions will be set up for the end of November. Member Thomas asked that invitations and responses be tracked, and Tim Moorhouse assured her that this would be done.

The information from these sessions will be updated based on this feedback.

BUSINESS

Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair

The Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board by acclamation, appointed Member Thomas as Chair and Member Giffin as Vice-Chair.

Minutes

Approval of Minutes from October 4, 2023

Member Brown moved That the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board recommends that Council adopt the minutes from October 4th, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2024 Draft Budget

Manager Bornn advised that the FCSS Budget was approved with revenues of \$24,291 and expenditures of \$498,271 making the budgeted Municipal contribution to the FCSS program \$233,980.

The current 3-year funding agreement with the province saw an increase of 4.5% in July with a total increase of \$10,275 annually in 2023, 2024, and 2025.

Member McLeod moved That the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board recommends that Council accepts the FCSS draft 2024 budget as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Lacombe FCSS Home Support Update

Lacombe FCSS notified there will be a rate change for the Home Support Program for the 3 to 5 Blackfalds residents they support. Effective December 1st, 2023, they will be implementing a revised rate of \$0.61 per kilometer monthly up from \$0.54.

FCSS Managers Report

- October 28th Monster Bash had 14 volunteers for 64 volunteer hours.

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- The Winter Wear Program provided 161 children and youth with new winter coats.
- FCSS will receive 50% of Smile Cookie profits from the campaign that ran November 13th – 19th.
- FCSS Facebook Page has 595 followers as of the end of October with 31 posts in the month of October.
- Blackfalds Youth Crew has seen a big increase in attendance for both nights.
- In partnership with the CRA Outreach team FCSS hosted a Be Scam Smart session and we are working to plan future opportunities for more workshops in the community.
- Youth Action Coalition hosted HUB training.

Chair Thomas adjourned the Blackfalds & District Family & Community Support Services Board meeting at 8:21 p.m.


Deha Thomas, Chair


Sue Penner, Admin Staff
