

PRESENT	Kim Schmitz Carol Patenaude Jürgen Grau Gina Olofson Candice Sutterfield Ben Fadeyiw Chris Vandeborn	FCSS Manager Recording Secretary City of Cold Lake Council Member Advisory Committee Co-Chair Advisory Committee Member MD of Bonnyville Council Member Advisory Committee Member
ABSENT (with regrets)	Roderick Hickey	Advisory Committee Chair
ABSENT (without regrets)	Meagon Anishinabie	Advisory Committee Member
CALL TO ORDER	<u>1.0 Call to Order</u> G. Olofson, FCSS Advisory Committee Co-chair called the May 2019 FCSS Advisory Committee meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.	
AGENDA	<u>2.0 Adoption of Agenda</u> Additional Items None Member Highlights None Disclosure of Interest None Adoption of Agenda B. Fadeyiw moved to accept the agenda for the Cold Lake and District FCSS Advisory Committee May 2019 meeting as presented.	
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MINUTES	<u>3.0 Adoption of Minutes</u> J. Grau moved to accept the minutes for the April 2019 FCSS Advisory Committee Meeting as presented.	
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MONTHLY REPORT	<u>4.0 Monthly Report</u> The FCSS Manager welcomed new committee member, Chris Vandeborn to the FCSS Advisory Committee and to the meeting. C. Vandeborn requested copies of minutes from the last 12 meetings, which C. Patenaude will forward. The FCSS Manager shared the April 2019 Monthly Report for information only. The Volunteer Appreciation Event was successful with about 175 people in attendance. The event was well planned and executed. The Volunteer Facilitator has put together a summary of facts from Volunteer Alberta and learnings from Cold Lake volunteers with their ideas on volunteer appreciation. FCSS has always held their event to coincide with Alberta's Volunteer Week, which would enable FCSS to apply for the Volunteer Alberta grant. In light of changing budgets, and increasing costs for food and entertainment, FCSS is determining a way forward. FCSS has moved to very low-priced entertainment, however it is the meal that has proven to be very costly, consuming a good portion of the budget. There was some discussion amongst committee members. C. Sutterfield suggested that an event in the middle of the afternoon would justify a less expensive alternative, such as tea and dessert. J. Grau reflected that volunteers are worth the cost of an appreciation event. This item will be tabled to allow members some time for additional input.	

**MONTHLY
REPORT
(CONTINUED)**

The FCSS Manager noted the 700 volunteer hours and 200 income tax files that were completed year to date. Completing income taxes in Cold Lake on a yearly basis enables those people served to benefit hundreds of thousands of dollars in rebates.

With regard to partnerships, the Child and Youth Facilitator ran the Youth Emotion course at the Outreach school. This was previously being run in collaboration with the John Howard Society. The facilitator also ran a course at Art Smith Academy which focused on self-confidence and self-esteem, and is based on the "Free Being Me" educational program, similar to the previous Go Girls program.

The FCSS counselling service provides one psychologist and two counsellors for those without benefits, made available from a \$25,000 grant from Imperial. Referrals to Family Services for FCSS programming and coaching include organizations such as Child and Family Services and Mental Health. FCSS and the MFRCS collaborated to bring two unique LGBTQ2+ programs to Cold Lake; one for professionals and one for the general public.

The resource library has slowed down, which is usual when the weather warms up. Unfortunately, the glass doors FCSS had installed for better visuals to the contents of the library, buckled and had to be removed. As well, the doors have also buckled. There is no room in the budget this year for repairs. We may have to do some future upgrades.

The Meals on Wheels program is seeing steady growth.

C. Vandenberg asked how the numbers on the monthly report are tracked. The FCSS Manager noted that each staff member is responsible for tracking her own information. There are multiple pages that are linked to the four visible pages of the monthly report. For instance under Child and Youth, the four sections shown are compiled from a host of workshops and programs.

G. Olofson asked about baby bags. The FCSS Manager noted that historically Family Services would compile information that health nurses would hand out to new mothers to let them know there is a supportive network in Cold Lake. At present, they are being compiled at the PLC for any parent to take home.

J. Grau asked about the Parent Link Centre and K. Schmitz explained that there is very purposeful programming that addresses core developmental disciplines for children zero to six years of age. There is post-partum support, parenting programs such as the Triple P, and workshops like Baby Connections where professionals come in to aid discussions. The PLC Outreach Facilitator chairs the Early Childhood Development Committee, where other supportive organizations are invested in early childhood development.

C. Sutterfield asked why Parent Link Outreach was showing no numbers for Community Education and Parent Outreach. The FCSS Manager explained that the Outreach Facilitator is on maternity leave and would normally take her programming to various schools and organizations including the Dr. Margaret Savage Crisis Centre. The current replacement runs the Parent Link on Wheels and is the regional network administrator.

The FCSS Manager confirmed that the "Impact of FCSS Grants" is the number of people involved in the Special Project as per J. Grau's question. There was also some discussion on the FCSS brand, which has been discussed in the past and the reason FCSS purchased sandwich boards, for grant recipients to acknowledge that their event was funded in whole or in part from Cold Lake and District FCSS.

**FINANCIAL
REPORT**

5.0 Financial Report

The FCSS Manager reviewed the April 2019 Financial Report for information only. There was \$50,000 budgeted for General Ledger 591, Contributions from Individuals and Organizations. FCSS received grants in excess of that budgeted amount and will also be receiving another \$125,000 for the Indigenous Enhancement Grant.

**FINANCIAL
REPORT
(CONTINUED)**

The excess of monies will be reflected in expenses, for those grants that have to be spent in 2019.

Some grant money will be carried over into 2020. C. Sutterfield asked why training costs to date are low. The FCSS Manager explained that training is encouraged at FCSS and more training does happen later on in the year. Staff reviews are coming up, which is when there are requests for specific training. FCSS is on track financially.

OLD BUSINESS 6.0 Old Business

6.1 FCSS Matrix

In a past meeting, the Lac La Biche matrix was proven unsuitable for use by Cold Lake and District FCSS. The FCSS Manager compiled a dossier of the most relevant grant matrices she received after reaching out to the province. They are available in electronic format to the committee members interested in doing additional research.

There was some discussion on whether the matrix would be a tool to be utilized for every grant. G. Olofson questioned whether we would have to develop a full model on simple grant applications. The FCSS Manager noted that the FCSSAA is currently updating the eligibility and ineligibility list and based on our history over the approval of grants, Cold Lake and District FCSS has an unblemished past. The FCSS Manager will be having conversations with the City of Cold Lake CAO and the General Manager of Community Services with regard to service changes and social policy. Until then, the determination of a relevant matrix will be tabled.

6.2 NE Zone Spring Gathering

An evaluation summary from the Northeast Zone Gathering are included in the handouts. While there were a couple of negative remarks, the surveys were very positive and commended Cold Lake on a job well done. Coincidentally the yearly Directors' Network was also held in the region, in Fort McMurray. The agenda included poverty simulation, an Emergency Social Services activity and provincial updates. Next year the Directors' Network will be in the south region.

6.3 Alberta Housing Follow-up

With respect to the Inter City Forum on Social Policy and the reference to the direct to tenant rent supplement program, the FCSS Manager called the Lakeland Lodge and Housing. The province doles out monies to each municipality, who then review applications based on a 21-point system. Consideration is given to those with children under 6 and children with disabilities. The program can cover up to 70% of the rent.

6.4 PLC Indoor Play Centre Follow-up

The play centre was repaired without interruption of the Parent Link Centre operating hours. The repairs were started on Friday evening and resumed Saturday evening. The zip ties, that breakdown over time were replaced, the netting was repaired and a few other minor items were addressed.

NEW BUSINESS 7.0 New Business

7.1 Imagine Cold Lake Revisited 2019, Retrospective Review

Ted Greenaway, from iWonder Inc. will be presenting to council on Tuesday May 14. The timing of his presentation was in response to the delegation on the Men Sheds and other social issues. There will be future discussions on the way forward with another summit or to proceed in a different direction.

**NEW BUSINESS
(CONTINUED)**

7.2 Neighbourhood Block Party Program

If you apply to host the Neighbourhood Block Party, you can also apply for the \$100 rebate, amounting to approximately \$1,000 annually. The FCSS Manager asked if the committee thought there was value in the program. B. Fadeyiw felt it was a great way to connect with neighbours. C. Vandeborn has attended a few; many of his clients are elderly and he felt it was an excellent way for them to make connections. C. Sutterfield also attended past block parties and felt that there was great value in them. The consensus was to move forward with the current Neighbourhood Block Party Program.

7.3 Special Project Grant Summary Report

**7.3.1 Cold Lake John Howard Society, Cold Lake Homelessness
Estimation Project April 1 to April 30, 2018**

After some discussion the committee asked for more information on the finances of the project. This item will be tabled until the June meeting.

**OTHER
BUSINESS**

8.0 Other Business

8.1 Business Conducted by Email

**8.1.1 Cold Lake Middle School Special Project Grant Application -
Service Learning, Alberta Highway Clean-up**

The Cold Lake Middle School 2019 Application for the Service Learning, Alberta Highway Clean-up was approved by way of the online voting process on May 6, 2019.

**COMMITTEE
ATTENDANCE**

9.0 FCSS Advisory Committee Attendance

9.1 Reports on Committee Attendance

B. Fadeyiw, C. Sutterfield and G. Olofson attended the Northeast Zone Gathering on April 25 and 26, 2019. G. Olofson stated that the event was well done and was a great showcase for Cold Lake. She is proud to be part of the Cold Lake and District FCSS Advisory Committee and proud to be part of the team. B. Olofson and C. Sutterfield agreed with this sentiment.

J. Grau was attending a conference during the NE Zone Gathering, where he was involved in discussions on Men's Sheds. Men's Sheds originated in Australia, to improve the overall health of all men through collective interests or activities. They normally operate on a local level in the community, promoting social interaction with the aim to increase the quality of life of men. The FCSS Manager acknowledged J. Grau's interest and added that C. Aust and D. Stonehocker had presented the idea to council of a Men's Shed in Cold Lake through the Aging Well in Community grant. C. Aust facilitates the Living through Grief series and has encountered men who have lost their sons to suicide who would benefit from the valuable social aspects of a Men's Shed. Local businesses have been approached to lend the space. Many individuals are committed to getting this initiative off the ground.

B. Fadeyiw hoped there was no age limit and the initiative would provide support for all ages.

J. Grau asked if a budget was being developed and if there was capacity for partnerships.

The FCSS Manager agreed to follow up with C. Aust.



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**SUGGESTIONS
FOR
COMMITTEE
ATTENDANCE**

9.2 Suggestions for Committee Attendance

- May 31 to June 7, Seniors Week Various Venues and Events
 - FCSS Intergenerational Ice Cream Social on June 3 from 2 to 3 pm at Long Term Care
 - FCSS Pancake Breakfast on June 4 from 9 to 11 am at FCSS
- Neighbourhood Block Party on June 20 from 5 to 7 pm at Shipwreck Park
- FCSSAA Conference on November 27 to 29 in Edmonton
 - B. Fadeyiw, C. Sutterfield and G. Olofson were interested in attending the 2019 FCSSAA Conference. They will be contacted once registration has started. It is extremely difficult to get rooms at the venue; however there are other hotels close to the Conference site. J. Grau was unable to commit at this time as it is the around the date of the ski hill opening.

ROUNDTABLE

10.0 Round Table
None

NEXT MEETING

11.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2019 at 6 pm at FCSS.

ADJOURNMENT

12.0 Adjournment

G. Olofson, Advisory Committee Co-chair adjourned the Cold Lake and District FCSS May 2019 FCSS Advisory Committee meeting at 8:14 p.m.



K. Schmidt,
FCSS Manager



G. Olofson,
FCSS Advisory Committee Co-chair