



GFSI Management Team, Mar. 14, 2022 @ Online, 3:30pm

Present: Sandi MacKinnon, John Coates, Bill MacKenzie, Susanne White, Scott Henwood, Shirley Cleave, Hayley AuCoin, Yu Ren, Ben Griffin

Regrets: Mike Toole, Promise Mwenga, Ricardo Nicolini

Minutes recorded by: Hayley AuCoin

Agenda:

- Past meeting minutes approval.
- CIN Updates
- GFSI Updates
- Accounting Transfer
- Stewardship Board
- Bylaws
- Next meeting date

Minutes:

Past Meeting Minutes Approval

Motion to approve minutes from the February 14th meeting as distributed.

Moved: John Coates Seconded: Shirley Cleave Carried

CIN Updates:

RSC Transition

- Not much to say about the CIN transfer.
- Waiting for the facilitator to reach out.
- Resiliency Committee requested GFSI support to secure funding for projects from the province. Contract signed for \$49,200k to administer funds for 3 projects with support of the Resiliency Committee Chair/ Coordinator. The team will be meeting on the 17th to determine how to move forward on the various projects, including
 - Mental Health Resiliency Project
 - Housing Continuum Service Support Project
 - Someone needs to be hired for this project and additional funding secured from United Way and Housing First/Greg Bishop.

Urban Rural Rides

- Media launch planned for March 22nd for the Volunteer Drive Service, hosted by the Mayor of Hanwell. To announce service start up in Cambridge Narrows, Hanwell/Kingsclear and Oromocto.
- Will be livestreamed on Facebook.
- Will provide information for those attending on what the service is about.
- Invitees include Board members from Urban Rural Rides, Mayors and Councilors of RSC 11, Volunteer Champions and drivers as well as the general public.
- Discussions to expand service are underway with groups in New Maryland, Chipman, Minto, Lincoln and Burton.

Request from Tamarack Institute

- Tamarack Institute asked if GFSI is interested in being a marketing partner for a training event they are hosting on Asset Based Community Development.
- We would be responsible for promoting the event on our social media.
- In return, we get two for one seats.
- Event to be held on June 20th or 25th in Moncton.
- All in favor of accepting this offer.

Carry Over Grant from ESIC

- Request for a carry over grant from ASDW for \$1,000 made to ESIC was approved.
- Susanne to write up an MOU with Summerhill Elementary in Oromocto this week.
- Funds will be used to enable a teacher to gain certification in yoga training and present yoga sessions to students and staff in the classroom once a week.
- Will equip students and teachers with skills to manage stress.

Community Food Smart

- Approached by NB Medical Society for information about food security initiatives in the Fredericton Region. The Society will be recommending Community Food Smart here and in regions around the province as well as Market Greens and community gardens at food banks for consideration for a \$2,000 grant for each region.
- Funding from CFCC Emergency Food Response resulted in CFS produce bags being delivered to residents at 12 Neighbors and Oak Centers this past week.
 - In discussion with these groups about coming on as CFS distributors.
- Connected Steve Patterson, 12 Neighbours Support worker with NBCHG to discuss opportunities for residents to access community gardens in order to learn and grow food.



GFSI Updates:

ACOA - Civic Tech Project

- Remaining at 4 participants.

NPO Data Collaboration Project

- Presented Sustainable Cities and Communities Hub to the City of Fredericton's Affordable Housing Committee.
- The project has joined the Canadian Center for Nonprofit Digital Resiliency
- The Lung Association of NB showed interest in the project.
- Should make plans to present the project to Jenica Atwin.

Received a physical corporate seal.

Received a stamp

Accounting Transfer

- Everything has been transferred out of quickbooks
- Canceled the quickbooks subscription.
- Sandi and Yu have a unique email address.
- Susanne and Promise will also receive their own email address.
- Want to make the bank account connected to the province the GFSI bank account instead of the CIN bank account.
- Teed Sanders Doyle will be completing the year end audits.
- Figuring out some last logistical details.
- Plugged In is looking for access to the CRA account.

Stewardship Board

- Looking to clean up the Stewardship board.
- Ensure that the partnerships that are there are beneficial to us and them.
- The message should come from Bill or Mike.
- Think about adding representatives from our active partners at UNB Renaissance College and STU Social work?
- Look at whether there should be members and associate members that only receive communications.

Bylaws

- Sandi to circulate bylaws.
- Figure out what government bodies need a copy of the updated bylaws.
- Stewardship committee needs to approve new bylaws.
- Sandi to send the bylaws to the stewardship committee at least 2 weeks before stewardship meeting in June.

Next meeting date

- April 11th @ 3:30pm

Approved Minutes

Bill MacKenzie Board President



Promise Mwenga Board Treasurer

