

GFSI Management Board, March 8th 2021 @ 3:30pm (virtual)

Present: Sandi MacKinnon, Shirley Cleave, Susanne White, Bill MacKenzie, Promise Mwenga, John Coates, Mike Toole, Meredith Langille, Scott Henwood, Michael Hadrovic (@ 3:45 for 15 minutes)

Regrets: Ricardo Nicolini, Seb Salazar

Minutes recorded by: Meredith Langille

Meeting Agenda

- Michael Hadrovic - Organizational Development placement opportunity
- Review of reports
- By-Law edits
- Request from Will-doo Cycle
- Financial update

Organizational Development placement opportunity

- Michael Hadrovic met with Sandi & Bill March 4th to discuss placement opportunity with GFSI
- Organizational development perspective → would be good to find the founding/historical documents
 - To be found & delivered to Michael this week
- Clarity around expectations for project and deliverable to GFSI (final report, etc.)
 - Reflective report for course work (learning & experience)
 - Report on findings for the board
 - Evaluation, feedback on information, build a strategy map
- Conduct one-on-one interviews with board members after setting up contract/boundaries with Sandi & Bill for nature of the project
- Opportunity for facilitated group discussion as well
- Timeline
 - March is finding organization to engage with & April - June is project focus
 - Begin inquiry sessions in April

By-Laws

- Management team (at volunteer basis) to go over edits & we will set up a separate management meeting to go over changes
- To be approved at next AGM
- If organizational development placement might impact future planning, incorporate this placement in by-law edits
 - Reviewing by-laws as part of his inquiry process

Request from Will-Doo Cycle

- Looking to partner with GFSI to get funding to buy BMX bikes and hire trainer/coach for programming
 - Focus on children who are underserved in our community
 - Few thousand from provincial government

- No deadline for the grant
- Remsoft made a large donation a few years ago that went through GFSI
- Other partnerships like this with the Ville for physical activity & kids
- We would be submitting application and managing project on behalf of Will-Doo
- Accountability & commitment
 - We are the organization, she is delivering
 - Insurance? (build into budget)
- Poverty reduction & social inclusion effort to administer funds

GFIS Report

- Meeting with lieutenant governor on Wednesday
- Space is starting to get used again with yellow phase
- HelpSeeker demo
 - Would love to have resources to have GFSI as leader in Fredericton area to do the community snapshot and analysis
 - Need to consider a sustainable revenue model: cost for back end analysis
 - 211 is phone only (no online presence), other provinces have web profiles (not in nb)
 - Before province and community put money and time into development, use what is already development (HelpSeeker)
 - Solution for mapping services/resources in our community
 - Social isolation asset mapping
- FrederictonEvents.com is pulled / taken down

CIN Report

- No updates since the report
- Advisory committee is quite engaged
- Nourishing Minds
 - Schools can order meals in PEI
 - Being raised here as a possible solution
 - Not a free fix
 - Program developers reached out to request a meeting to talk about it
 - Is not seen as a necessary tool for here right now

Financial Update

- Overall we are in line with what we saw last year in terms of spending
- Approximately \$196,000 across all accounts already spoken for in projects
 - Need to speak with Sandi & Susanne on this for more project details
- CFS accounts to Progressive Credit Union
- Small pot left in RBC
 - Recommendation by next meeting to close this account
- QuickBooks is reconnected with bank accounts
- Getting ready for year end
- Need sustainable revenue model for reserve funds
 - Community funded?
 - Cautious of being in competition with front line delivery npos for funding
 - Financial support for our partnering support (certain % of funding) → articulate this with organizational development placement
- Set up GFSI with Canada Helps & donation link on website
- Windsor application for rent, not hopeful that we will receive funding (they meet in June, we have funding until September)

Next Meeting

- Management Meeting: April 12th @3:30pm