

GFSI Management Team, January 9th, 2023 @ Online and in-person, 3:30pm

Present: Sandi MacKinnon, John Coates, Bill MacKenzie, Mike Toole, Ben Griffin, Shirley Cleave, Promise Mwenga, Kate Walsh, Olga Strelkina, Tim Hogan, Bukola Abiola, Mohammad Sohrabi, Mir Hyder, Evan Di Cesare, Olga Strelkina,

Regrets: Ricardo Nicolini, Scott Henwood, Timi Allison

Minutes recorded by: Kate Walsh

Agenda:

- Introductions
- Approve minutes from Nov 14 meeting
- GFSI updates
- GFSI without CIN
- Plan stewardship committee agenda

Minutes: Kate Walsh

Past Meeting Minutes Approval

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

Moved: Mike Toole **Seconded:** Ben Griffin **Carried**

GFSI Updates

Letter in response to the Chamber

- Letter distributed to each person Krista Ross had sent her letter to
- Asked for a meeting to further discuss
 - The meeting will be led by Will Roberson, Sandi and Susanne in attendance
- Non-profits do not feel represented by the chamber
- The opportunity came up very quickly to get council but in the future we should make a more considerate approach to who we need to communicate with prior to
 - Couldn't have done it differently but can learn moving forward

Basic Income

- Saint John City Council considering a resolution in support of a Basic Income Guarantee on January 9th.

Team Updates

Renaissance College

- Students conducted a literature review on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) in Canada within the last 5 years
 - Link to report: [Literature Review](#)
- Conducting research on EDI policies for 23 municipalities in Atlantic Canada

Kate

- Meeting Thursday to determine if we will onboard a new cohort (10 NPOs)
- Completed Tech impact's HR training specifically for IT

Timi (SWAG project)

- With us until the end of January to finish the SWAG life-long learning project, beginning his new job with IRDT

Olga

- Created a new banner for Civic Tech Fredericton

Mohammad

- *GFSI's new hire*
- *2 computer science degree and was working at Walmart*

Mir

- *GFSI's new hire*
- *Marketing Professional*

Community Framework for Digital and Social Innovation

Bukola and Tim

- Met with Miramichi city stakeholders for an introductory session on Nov 22, 2022
- 60 candidates interested had to narrow it down to 20
- Discovery/design thinking workshop in January with the city stakeholders
- Leaving behind 20,000 to the community (Bathurst, Miramichi, Kings Clear)

STU Social Work Social Action

Ashley, Aspen, Tory, Jenny

- Students beginning with us this week
- We will meet in person every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday with the four students

Other updates:

- Sandi submitted our annual return electronically to GNB
- We applied for \$3000 from Remsoft for Civic Tech
- Sandi submitted our Canada Summer Jobs application
- Presented GFSI to Rotary & Changemakers/toastmasters (75 people in attendance)
 - Positive feedback received
- Updating website (purpose and history section)
 - Sandi to distribute prompts and areas to review for the next management meeting

GFSI End-of-Year Celebration

- Wonderful time together
- Great team bonding

UNB Community Leadership Course

- We have some students also joining us from UNB Community Leadership Course working on the What's Your Legacy project.

GFSI without CIN

- Remove CIN's main webpage on GFSI's website
- Susanne, Sandi and Promise worked out and separated all GFSI/CIN financials

Jan 26th Stewardship Agenda

- GFSI presentation
 - introduction to team members
 - Students and staff to share project updates
- Invite members to share any comments or concerns
- Sandi to invite Kim Nash McKinley to give an update on King's Clear community
- Still wanting to grow the committee, (who's missing?)

Next meeting dates

Stewardship meeting: January 26th, 2023

Management meeting: February 13th, 2023

Approved:

Bill MacKenzie, GFSI Board President



Promise Mwenga, GFSI Board Treasurer

