

June 7th, 2024 Board Orientation. Federation Board Room located at 99 Wyse Road 6:00-9:00 pm

Welcome

Present

Brenda Pettis	Gary Landry (ED)	Mary Ann Burke
Rob Richardson (Chair)	Lloyd Sweeney	Sheila Hill
Wendell Fraser (Vice)	Glenda Marsman	Darlene Arseneau-Kennedy (Secretary)
Patricia (Trish) Cain	Ann Jennex-Roberts	Allie Pitre

Regrets

Darlene Francis

- Introduction of new and existing board members started with an introduction and a get to know each other with a team building exercise.
- The Chair went over the governance style of our board along with roles and responsibilities as a board member.
- Oath of confidentiality, Conflict of interest, and Declaration of Understanding was signed by all board members.
- Foster parent lists were given to all foster parents for there perspective regions.
- Virtual calendars were updated for the year.

June 8th 2024 Board Meeting. Federation Board Room located at 99 Wyse Road 9am to 12 pm

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We opened our meeting with the Executive Director reading the land acknowledgement. Sheila Hill read the federations Mission Statement.

There was an amendment to the April 20th minutes. They should now read "The board chair will follow up with a thank you to Ellen Carter for her work"

Minutes from May 26th were approved by Ann and seconded by Allie.

Financial report was approved by Ann and seconded by Brenda.

ED report was approved by Darlene and seconded by Glenda.

Board chair put forth an action plan which included OHS deadline to be completed by July 2024. A meeting with the minister of community services is being worked on.

The board is waiting for a copy of the Service agreement to be looked over by the board.

New mission and vision statement plan needs to be updated on the Federation website.

Respite forms on the Federation website need to be updated.

New Business

AGM debriefing with the board

Perpetual calendar was updated on Friday night

There are some pressing issues FP are asked to pay for. (This will be discussed at the September meeting)

Board committee's

Compassion committee

Allie, Darlene, Trish & Ann

It was suggested the board ask for 10000.00 for the compassion committee.

Diversity committee

Trish, Darlene & Glenda

Bursary committee

Anne, Allie, Sheila & Brenda

HR & OHS committee

Mary Ann, Brenda & Lloyd

Board Chair is sending out a DID YOU KNOW e-mail to foster parents including the Bursaries and the Path program. The Bursary deadline has been extended this year to July 5th.

The new Mi'kmaq Cape Breton seat was discussed, to avoid a mix-up in future years more info from potential candidates will be taken. Because of the mix-up this year both members from CB will have any expenses covered from attending the AGM.

Mi'kmaq Mainland is looking to fill a seat on the board.

Babysitting expenses for training and Board meetings remains the same.

The board Chair and ED will be having a budget meeting on June 19th. Discussion around Medical sitters will be discussed.

Communication plan for the summer

Board Chair will reach out if needed over the summer concerning the service agreement.

Gabor Maté

He has a presentation in Halifax on October 18th 9-4

The federation will be sending 4 foster parents and 1 staff to this training (The Myth of Normal Trauma, Illness, & Healing in a Toxic Culture.) A motion was made by Darlene and seconded by Brenda for this training.

Ambassador update will be in October 2024.

New ED discussed

ED discussed concerns about staff safety in the parking lot. It was brought up with management about parking spaces for staff and was told this was not available. ED will follow up regarding concerns with management.

Many board members had questions to the Board Chair that will be forwarded to Georgina and Mairi.

Submitted by: Darlene Arseneau-Kennedy

