

**FCSS Advisory Board
March 22, 2022
Meeting Minutes**

MEMBERS: L. Sawchuk (*Chair*), A. Boyle (*Vice-Chair*), Councillor R. Pollard (*Leduc City Council*), Councillor B. Hamilton (*Leduc City Council Alternate*), C. Taylor, J. Kretzer-Prysunka, K. Eichelt, M. Bryson, A. Ulrickson (*City Liaison*)

PRESENT: A. Boyle, J. Kretzer-Prysunka, K. Eichelt, L. Sawchuk, M. Bryson, R. Pollard, A. Ulrickson, R. Martens

GUESTS:

ABSENT: C. Taylor,

RECORDER: R. Martens

AGENDA ITEM		DISCUSSION	ACTION
1.0	CALL TO ORDER	L. Sawchuk called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.	
2.0	GUEST		
2.1	FCSS Staff Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> R. Martens explained her role and responsibilities with the FCSS department Presented some statistics for the first quarter of the year. Currently very busy with helping K. O'Hara with the Income Tax program intake, to date, 270 taxes completed. Board members liked seeing the stats and updates about FCSS programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Ulrickson to provide statistics report every month, simple, highlighting top 5, from NewOrg.
3.0	REVIEW		
3.1	Agenda	<p>Moved by Councillor R. Pollard, seconded by J. Kretzer-Prysunka That the agenda be accepted with addition: 5.1 Board Membership.</p> <p>Motion carried unanimously.</p>	
3.2	Previous Minutes	<p>Moved by J. Kretzer-Prysunka, seconded K. Eichelt That the minutes of the FCSS Advisory Board meeting held, Tuesday, March 22, 2022, be approved with correction: Remove M. Bryson's name under Present/attendance.</p> <p>Motion carried unanimously.</p>	

3.3	Action Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Action Items for discussion 	
3.4	Round Table	<p>The following are some of the highlights of the round table discussions and updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The City of Leduc is currently accepting applications for the Patio Program, as well as nominations for the Sports Hall of Fame, and the Leduc Influencers Award Program. • Subsidy is available for environment friendly home upgrades – the Clean Energy Improvement Program (CEIP) is available to property owners to finance home energy efficiency upgrades. Application will open on May 30, 2022. • Council approved the conversion of the Rent Relief Program to the Utility Relief Program. • Leduc’s 2023-2026 Strategic Plan was approved by City Council on April 25th. • State of the City presentation on May 6th. • International Downtown Association Convention in British Columbia happening soon. • There is discourse within the City of Leduc taking place due to the litigation against the City involving the Fire Department. • D. Brock retired and her position as Director for Community and Social Development (CSD) is now being advertised. • Former City of Leduc employee’s son, Corey Jones, playing with the softball team in the PAN-AM Games. • Parents are having difficulties enrolling their children into sports programs such as swimming lessons, and other sports offered at the Leduc Recreation Centre (LRC); Discussion on creative ideas on how to help and possibly prioritize low-income families, or accommodate more children, from more diverse walks of life. It was noted that the city is having a problem hiring swim instructors. • City of St Albert – Prioritizing recreation centre members first, then city of St Albert residents before neighbouring towns/cities. Could Leduc do something similar and possibly hold a few seats for under privileged families? • FRN program families are assisted (if needed) in applying/enrolling for programs to a certain degree but not 	

		<p>prioritized with sign-up for sports or lessons offered at the LRC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. Ulrickson to connect with the LRC to understand the deeper issues, and what are the challenges specific to Leduc. • Spring clean-up is done; great to see young people participating. • J. Kretzer-Prysunka participated in the citizens of distinction selection process. • Spring is upon us, and it is beautiful in other parts of Canada (especially in the Islands). • Headspace and Mindshift are two (2) apps available to download on your smart phones, dealing with managing mental health. Mindshift is free. Headspace has a small fee. • FRN brochures were mass mailed to Leduc residents. They look great! Kudos to FRN staff for putting it together. • Youth pocket directory was also updated and re-printed. • Invite Constable Muz, School Resource Officer, for a presentation at a Board meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. Ulrickson to connect with the LRC to talk about parent's concerns. • Invite Constable Muz to a meeting.
4.0	OLD BUSINESS		
4.1	Homelessness Task Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. Ulrickson was tasked to review the recommendations from the framework to determine what are the priorities and which are achievable this year. She will be busy working on this the next few weeks. 	
5.0	NEW BUSINESS		
5.1	Board Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. Ulrickson to consult with office of City Manager regarding absences of Board Member C. Taylor and take appropriate course of action. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. Ulrickson to consult with City Manager regarding the matter of C. Taylor's membership.
6.0	CORRESPONDENCE	No Correspondence	
7.0	MEETING ADJOURNMENT		
7.1	Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.	

8.0	NEXT MEETING	No discussion	
8.1	Next Meeting	The next meeting is on June 28, 2022, at 6 PM; Location: hybrid. In-person meeting will be at the Civic Centre, Board Room, 1 Alexandra Park.	

Respectfully submitted,

L. Sawchuk
Chair

Rhodora Martens
Recording Secretary