

MEETING MINUTES

Date March 2nd, 2026

Time: 6:00 pm (Town Board Room)

CALL TO ORDER: Cindee called meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

- Claresholm and District FCSS Board of Directors
- General Meeting
- In attendance: Director Barbara Bell, Councilor David Knox, Councilor Kandice Meister, Councilor Earl Hemmaway, Cindee Schlossberger, Vanessa McKenzie, Kimberly Berreth and Delma Austin
- Regrets:

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Kandice moved adoption of agenda. AIF

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

Delma moved adoption of the minutes from January 5th 2025 with the correction of Cindee adopting the minutes. AIF

CORRESPONDENCE: See attached *FCSSAA Newsletter*, *Budget Letter from FCSSAA*

Notable mention is FCSS's provincial funding was maintained but there were no increases in the budget.

REPORTS: See detailed staff reports included in the Board Package for Director, Outreach, Seniors Services, Granum, and the Monthly Resource Log. Notable mentions below.

Annual report has been submitted to the province.

CVITP starts tomorrow (March 3).

FRN grant is due on March 16th.

Kindness week – delivered bags of decorations and flowers around town.

Family Day Skate had 210 participants – well attended.

Collected funding final reports from last year's external grant recipients.

Met with Fort Macleod and Nanton FCSS directors to see if partnerships can save costs.

Jennifer is doing well with Senior Supports and will be going to Healthy Aging conference.

Granum – Good Food Bags, after-school program on Fridays have been interrupted due to no school – focusing on teen trips instead. Family Bingo had lots of participants.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bingo – Currently held at the Social Centre. Had a great turnout, 48 people. May need to change locations if FCSS staff continue to experience the issues mentioned at last meeting.

AISH changes (requiring applications for the disability tax credit and the Canada Disability Benefit – Taking up too much time with walk ins and phone calls – will refer to Inclusion Foothills. In January 30 clients walked in or called with questions about this.

Family Resource Network Grant application is due this month, Barb has been working on this and included a program “Building Blocks” for parents to teach them how to interact with their children. The Teen Group is under this grant as well.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Grant approvals

- got transportation from Healthy Aging, but not in-home services - \$39000 for 2 years
- RDN – did not receive the Homelessness grant for housing stability

External Funding

Claresholm \$41500 total

- Chaplaincy - \$2500
- Dads Central - \$6455
- Inclusion Foothills - \$12000
- Rowan House - \$5000
- Sparta House - \$4080
- Welcoming Claresholm - \$1100
- Senior Connexx - \$10365

Motion 2026-03-01 made by David to approve above external funding amounts. AIF.

Granum \$13500 total

- Canada Day - \$1500
- Chaplaincy - \$2500
- Explorers - \$3000
- Library - \$5500
- Walking Group – \$1000

Motion 202—03-02 made by Earl to approve the above external funding amounts. AIF.

NEXT MEETING: Monday May 4th, 6:00 PM Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT: Delma moved to adjourn at 7:26 PM.

Date

Signature

Chair Approval

Barbara Bell

Director Approval

Linda Schlossberg