
1. Order and roll call

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 by Kelly-Lynn Lewis (Leduc County) as Chair with committee members Ray Scobie (Leduc County), Johnathan Miller (Thorsby), Carey Benson (Calmar) and Erin Williams (East) present.

Committee members Cody Henderson (Warburg) and Michele Mielnik (West) were absent.

Other attendees

- Dean Ohnysty, Director of Community Services
- Carol Tabone, Manager of Family Support Services
- Sara Russell, Manager of Community Support Services
- Corrie Richer, Administrative Assistant FCSS

2. Introductions

Round table introductions occurred.

3. Agenda adoption

Representative Miller – that the agenda for the Wednesday, June 15, 2022 FCSS Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

4. Adoption of previous minutes

Representative Williams – that the minutes from the April 20, 2022 FCSS Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

5. General business**5.1 Social Framework – 2023 priorities**

Dean displayed the Social Framework document on the overhead projector and provided the following information:

- The 2023 Business Plan/Budget will be presented to councils in the next couple months.
- Any feedback from the committee is welcomed.
- Hopes to represent as a shared voice for the communities.

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- Looking at potential actions in both a local capacity as well as regional collaboration.
 - The Social Framework document is available on the Leduc County website.
 - FCSS would be happy to present to community councils, new members/councilors.
 - Leduc County council has approved the 2023 Strategic Plan.
 - There are good social supports with a focus on seniors and rural transportation.
 - Rural Transportation Survey involved community engagement.
 - Results and ideas from the survey will be presented to committee in the fall.
 - FCSS key roles in fall will be a focus on youth engagement and involvement in the community, and the impacts on low income families (diversity/inclusion).

Discussion ensued.

Representative Scobie – that the FCSS Advisory Committee receives as information.

5.2 Regional Youth Conference

Carol provided the following information:

- Leduc County FRN initiated conversations with regional partners and collaborators to bring the topic of hosting a youth conference in 2022.
- The conference is in line with the Social Framework document.
- There are currently 12 organizations represented in this event.
- The goal of the conference is to provide an opportunity that is youth driven and focused on wellness and resiliency.
- The committee is brainstorming ways to reduce barriers for attendance, in order to have representation from all areas of the county.
- The event is scheduled for November 10th, 2022 (Carol corrected the dated from what was provided in the agenda package).
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- Breakout sessions will be facilitated by Leduc County and Black Gold team members.
- A “Battle of the Bands” show will be open to local youth bands.
- There are a lot of youth on the committee and are from Calmar, Beaumont and City of Leduc. The youth changed the feel of the committee and brought some great energy.

Discussion ensued.

Representative Miller – that the FCSS Advisory Committee receives as information.

5.3 Family Resource Network – 2021 infographics

Carol reviewed the Leduc County Family Resource Network 2021 statistics with the committee members, making note of the following:

Highlights:

- 122 online sessions - to support groups and individuals with 1,137 participants.
- 224 people attended Halloween, Christmas and Youth in-person programs.

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- 59 in-person summer programs with more than 600 parents and children attending.
 - In-home support – diagram showing who we are serving.
 - 215 referrals for services in the FRN network – with a breakdown of where the referrals came from.
 - Drop-in support is now offered in Thorsby and Devon, with 190 participants attending from September to December.

5.4 Family & Community Support Services – 2021 infographics

Sara reviewed the Leduc County FCSS 2021 statistics with the committee members, making note of the following:

- There were 1,881 unique participants.
- 270 counselling sessions were subsidized for 60 individuals, households and families.
- 85 volunteers who provided 473 volunteer hours.
- 72 sessions with 661 participants.
- 48 households accessed subsidized housekeeping supports.
- 351 tax returns were filed through the community volunteer income tax program, resulting in \$1,178,388 in government benefits and returns.
- The supported self-file tax program had three participants.
- The provincial government re-introduced playschool subsidies, which reduced need and eligibility.
- Information and referrals - 171 walk-ins, 5,544 emails and 2,862 phone calls.
- Living Libraries – 157 participants and 90 survey respondents. 100% of the respondents reported an increased understanding of community social issues.
- Financial Literacy workshops had 77 participants and 21 survey respondents. 100% of the respondents reported they know how to keep up with bills and commitments.
- Parenting workshops had 92 participants and 50 survey respondents. 98% of respondents reported confidence in their parenting skills.
- Child/Youth workshops had 107 participants and 35 survey respondents. 83% of the respondents reported that they make good decisions.

Representative Benson – that the FCSS Advisory Committee receives agenda items 5.3 and 5.4 as information.

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6. Reports

Dean, Carol and Sara reviewed the department activity reports with the committee members.

6.1 FCSS Activity Report – April – May 2022

6.2 FRN Activity Report – April – May 2022

Discussion ensued.

Motion Representative Scobie – that the FCSS Advisory Committee receives agenda items 6.1 and 6.2 as information.

Carried Unanimously

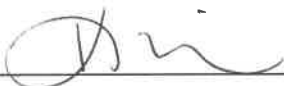
7. Information items

N/A

8. Adjournment

Motion Representative Lewis – that the FCSS Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Carried Unanimously



Chairperson



Director of Community Services