

AFS BOARD OF DIRECTORS – SERVICES AND ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 2, 2023
5:00 pm
Microsoft Teams – Virtual



ATTENDANCE

- AFS Board of Directors:** Patricia R. Lofstrom (Chair) John Paul Paciocco Jana Tetreault, Ex-Officio
 Dania Kuzbari Lucia O'Connor
- AFS Staff:** Ali Juma, CEO Brenda Clarke, Manager of Community Services and Strategic Initiatives Stephanie Fetherston, Director of Services
 Ashlee Gerard, Executive Assistant
- Youth Representatives:**
- Regrets:** Sean Halliday – Leave John Paul Paciocco

MINUTES

1.0 Quorum Established.

2.0 Call to Order

Jana Tetreault calls the meeting to order at 5:05 pm.

3.0 Review of Agenda

MOTION BIRT the Committee reviews and approves the agenda as presented.

Moved by: Dania Kuzbari
 Seconded by: Lucia O'Connor All in favour. CARRIED.

4.0 Review Previous Minutes

MOTION BIRT the committee approves the February 23, 2023, meeting minutes, as presented.

Moved by: Dania Kuzbari
 Seconded by: Lucia O'Connor All in favour. CARRIED.

5.0 New Business

a. Live-In Treatment

Ali Juma provides an update about the Live-in Treatment program.

- Two youth will be admitted on Friday
- Full occupancy by the end of June

b. Youth Hub

Ali Juma provides an update about the youth Hu

- Delays in construction
- Hoping to open in late June

c. Infant Loss Group

Stephanie Fetherston provides an update regarding the new group.

- Two moms attended the first session
- Events planned

d. Rise Program

Presentations at SAH.

Ali Juma highlights the growth of services happening in the community.

e. 194 Shannon Road

Ali Juma provides updates regarding 194 Shannon Road.

6.0 Ongoing Business

a. Terms of Reference

The committee reviews the Terms of Reference.

- Determine ways to ensure better involvement with advocacy initiatives

7.0 Standing Items

a. Awesome Team

i. *Service Demand Report*

Stephanie Fetherston provides the service demand report as presented.

- Request for data re: STS; 50% do not need another session

ii. *Community Services Update*

Brenda Clarke provides the community services report as presented.

- Every Breakfast Count and the mayor's recent statement encouraging donations to the program
- Board is encouraged to meet with the Youth Advisory Committee

b. Extraordinary Service

i. Privacy/Incident/Serious Occurrence/Complaints

Stephanie reports on one new Serious Occurrence.

c. Busting Barriers

i. New Funding and Initiatives/Partnership Updates

Successful in receiving an innovation grant through Autism Ontario. Exploring Indigenous and Western approaches to treating children with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

ii. French Language Service

Policy will be implemented tomorrow

d. Inspiring Outreach

i. Lead Agency/Accreditation

Ali Juma provides a Lead Agency Update.

- 5 % increase to base funding from MOH and \$35,000 increase
- Seeking more detail on access to additional resources
- LAC committed to InterRAI
- Live-in Treatment is a need across Ontario
- Unleashing new strategic plan

ii. Youth and Family Engagement

Covered in the Community Service and Strategic Initiatives report.

8.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourns at 6:00 pm.

MOTION BIRT the Committee adjourns the meeting at 6:00 pm.

Moved by: Jana Tetreault

Seconded by: Lucia O'Connor All in favour. CARRIED.