

AFS BOARD OF DIRECTORS – GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 25, 2023
12:15 pm
Microsoft Teams – Virtual



ATTENDANCE

AFS Board of Directors: Megan Bernard William Johnson Sean Halliday

AFS Staff: Ali Juma, CEO Obianuju Fadjo,
Executive Assistant

Youth Representatives:

Regrets: Brenda Clarke

MINUTES

1.0 Quorum

Quorum established.

2.0 Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 12:20 pm.

3.0 Review of Agenda

The committee reviews the agenda as presented.

MOTION

BIRT, the committee approves the October 25, 2023, agenda as presented.

Moved by: Megan Bernard

Seconded by: William Johnson

All in favour.

CARRIED.

4.0 Approval of Previous Minutes

The committee reviews the minutes as presented.

MOTION

BIRT, the committee approves the September 27, 2023, minutes as amended.

Moved by: Megan Bernard

Seconded by: William Johnson

All in favour.

CARRIED.

5.0 New Business

a. Youth DTL/NNM Presentation

Emily with the Youth will provide their presentation at the Board Meeting on Disable the Label (DTL) and New Northern Mentality (NNM). The committee will develop a roster for presentations at Board meetings. Presentation at board meetings will be added as a standing agenda item.

b. Executive Committee officer Positions

Three executive positions have been filled. However, the treasurer position at the executive is still open but expecting to eventually have David Petersson appointed or elected to the role. He will likely be the Chair of the Finance Committee. Sean will approach David to discuss the potential of taking on the roles.

c. Diversity Assessment Tools

Deferred to the next meeting

d. Terms of Reference

No new update. Amendments to the terms of reference have already been examined at the previous meeting. Considering obtaining input from Board members to determine whether the meeting date and time need to be changed.

6.0 Ongoing Business

a. By-Law Review

No further update. Bill will liaise with Wes to ensure that the By-Law is completed in time for next year's AGM.

b. Land Acknowledgement

No further update.

c. Recruitment for Board Positions

Recruitment for board openings has been completed. Other applicants' resumes will be stored for consideration in future board openings.

d. Board Orientation

All the new board of directors attended the first session of the board orientation, which was held on Monday, October 23, 2023. The next session is scheduled for November 6, 2023.

e. Joint Board Training

The Joint Board Training is currently paused until after the board orientation of new board members. There are five joint boards comprising: Nogdawindamin (NOG), Community Living Algoma (CLA), THRIVE, Children's Aid Society, (CAS), and Algoma Family Services (AFS).

f. Strategic Planning

No further update.

g. AFS Board Work Plan

To review the previous work plan in order to incorporate it into the new work plan. To assess the EDI component in the work plan.

7.0 Standing Items

a. Website Transparency

The website is currently being updated with biographies and photos of current board members.

b. Youth Advisory

The Youth Coordinator has resigned. In the process of recruiting a new Youth Hub coordinator to lead the Youth Advisory Council. In the interim, Emily will take on the role.

8.0 Other Business

9.0 Next Meeting

November 22, 2023

10.0 Adjournment

MOTION

BIRT, the committee moves to adjourn the meeting at 12:57 pm.

Moved by: Megan Bernard

Seconded by: William Johnson

All in favour. CARRIED.

Submitted by: Obianuju Fadjo, Executive Assistant