



Mackenzie Regional FASD Service Network

January 19, 2009

10:30 am CFSA Boardroom, High Level

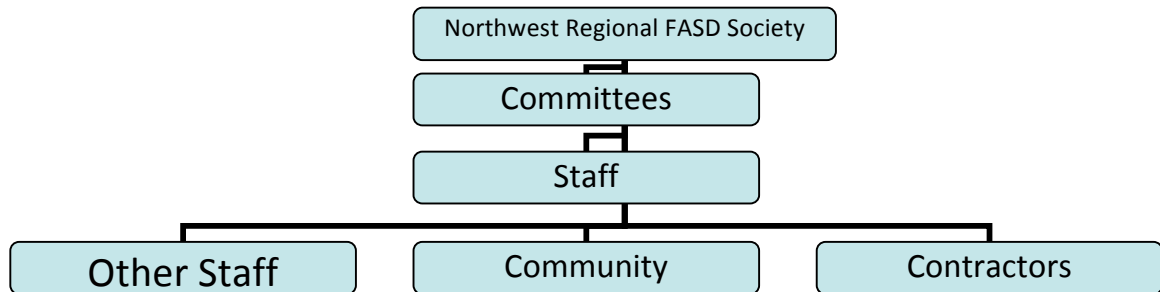
1. Attendance/Introductions

Anne Lajeunesse, Deborah Warring, Mary Bellhome, Nici Carmichael, Mike Osborn, Wanda Beland, Tina Hackett-Myles, Lydia Grande, Sonja Schmidt

2. Presentation by Mike Osborn, Community Futures

2.1. *Role of the Mackenzie Regional FASD Service Network, NW Regional FASD Society and the Leadership Team. Discussion was held around the setup of the Network, society and leadership team. Clarification as to the possible setups was lead by Mike Osborn of Community Futures. Also the roles and responsibilities of the board were discussed. Suggestions were made as to the way the meetings could always obtain quorum. Mike will present on the role description of board members at the next meeting. The structure of what the setup for the society may look like is as follows:*

2.2.



2.2.1. Sonja Schmidt moved that the society and the network amalgamate and that the new executive be formed from among the following agencies:

CFSA	WJS	Little Red River Cree Nation
Solicitor General	HLYEA	Tall Cree First Nations
Action North	FCSS	Beaver First Nations
ASLS		Dene Tha First Nations
AADAC		LaCrete
Brighter Futures		Fort Vermilion
Primary Care Network		Rainbow Lake
Parent Link		High Level
Native Counselling		Keg River
Fort Vermilion School Division		
RCMP		
Safe Home		

Via Electronic vote of NW Regional FASD Society Members the motion was passed.

3. Minutes

3.1. December 5 Meeting

3.2. December 18 Leadership Team meeting

3.3. Motion to carry

3.3.1. **Sonja moved that the minutes be accepted as read.**

4. Financial

4.1. Wanda Beland

4.1.1. \$40, 000.00 in bank with outstanding expense. See motion to pay. List expenses.

4.1.1.1. Ann's Contract with WJS

4.1.1.2. Mike Osborn/ Tina to look at formalizing contracts for WJS, Wanda

5. Reports

5.1. Ann Lajeunesse (FASD Community Specialist)

5.1.1. FASD Community Specialist: She has over 15 clients and is not turning any away. Many are crisis ones and she will continue taking the crisis ones. She is not sure how much longer she can do this. Referrals are coming from LaCrete, Assumption, High Level, and Bushe. Referrals are coming from schools and caregivers. Ann has exceeded the maximum threshold. One client would be under the Mentoring program. Housing, employment, contract, adult supports, looking for extra funding, supports in the home are some of the activities she is giving help with.

5.2. Barb Higgins (Diagnostic Clinics)

5.2.1. Deborah reported. Barb doing Teddy Bear Fairs. Professional from Edmonton are doing preassessment screenings. Pediatrics, OT, nurses and a partner from the hospital. Dental, Hearing, Vision, cognitive areas are looked at. There may be referrals to the Diagnostic Clinics based on the assessments. February 10 is the next FASD Clinic. Barb facilitates the clinic day. Greatest challenge is meeting with the family and getting the consents signed. Assessment cannot move forward until these are signed. Barb has worked home visits with Ann a few times. There is a lot of outreach work to the communities. There is a waitlist for clinic. Barb is looking at providing education and training to communities.

5.3. Wanda Beland (Network Coordinator)

5.3.1. Business Plan is the main item to be completed. The business plan is due in Edmonton by the 28 of February. Contacts have been made with the schools to make them aware of the FASD Learning series taking place via video conference in the next few weeks.

6. Old Business

6.1. Website

6.1.1. There is no new information on the website. Focusing on the business plan and making contact with communities for now.

6.2. High Level Youth Empowerment Association: FASD Youth Mentoring Program Update

6.2.1. Nici Carmichael – space has been approved to house mentor coordinator in the town office. The High Level Youth Empowerment Association has a policy and procedure manual that makes the program ready to go. Next step is education in the community. Quality mentors will be recruited as well as to clarify the role of the program within the community. The Town does not want program to be seen as a town program in case the funding becomes a problem. There will have to be a Contract with society for use of the office space. The mentoring program is Based on Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. The High Level Youth Empowerment Association would like to work under the society as a working committee with the coordinator for the mentor program employed by the society.

6.3. Contracts: Tina will be looking at all the contracts that will be needed. There is also the contract with the town that needs to be looked at as well.

6.3.1. Banker:

6.3.2. WJS

6.3.3. Network Coordinator

6.4 Committees: Roles and Responsibilities

- 6.4.1 Support for Adults
- 6.4.2 Early Intervention
- 6.4.3 Targeted and Indicated Prevention
- 6.4.4 Policy and Procedure
- 6.4.5 Youth Mentoring
- 6.4.6 Camp and Respite

7. New Business

7.1. Upcoming Workshops/Conferences on FASD

7.1.1. FASD Learning Series: Video Conferences on Jan 20, Jan 29 and Feb 11 from 4-6 pm

7.1.1.1. Wanda will contact schools about registering for workshop

7.1.2. Provincial FASD Conference

7.1.2.1. **Sonja Schmidt moved that we have Ann Lajeunesse attend the provincial conference on FASD in Edmonton on February 12 and 13.**

Via electronic vote this motion was passed.

7.1.3. International FASD Conference: This conference is being held in Victoria from March 11-14. Wanda will look into the possibility of getting a bursary for this conference.

7.1.3.1. Community Futures has West Jet Air miles to donate if anyone can go to this conference.

7.1.4. Diane Malbin "Into Action: Programming for FASD" will be offered in Grimshaw at the Pomery from April 27-29 with trainers taking an extra day of training immediately following the workshop.

7.1.4.1. Information on this workshop will be passed on to the surrounding communities

7.1.5. Parent and Child Assistance Program

7.1.5.1. Wanda and Ann will present a short presentation on the PCAP model at the next meeting.

7.1.5.2. Sonja moved Mary Berube be contacted about dates that she would be available to come up for training in the PCAP model

8. Next Meeting Date

8.1. Feb 3 @ 1:30.

9. Adjournment

9.1. Sonja moved to adjourn meeting at 1:48.