



Family and Community Support Services
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AGENDA
WETASKIWIN FCSS BOARD MEETING

April 7, 2026
5:30pm
FCSS Office

Present: Jamie Park-Nelson, Emily Thompson, Wendy Hoyle, Wayne Neilson, Jennifer LaValley, Nancy Aikman, Gail Hansen, Kevin Bamber

Regrets: Leanne Axelsen

1. Call to Order at 5:32pm
2. Land Acknowledgement

We are on Treaty 6 territory—the ancestral and traditional territory of the Cree, Dene, Blackfoot, Saulteaux, Nakota Sioux, as well as the Métis. We acknowledge the many First Nations, Métis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for generations. We are grateful for the traditional Knowledge Keepers and Elders who are still with us today and those who have gone before us. We recognize the land as an act of reconciliation and gratitude to those whose territory we reside on or are visiting.
3. Approval of Previous Minutes
 - a. **Motion to Approve, Seconded. Carried**
4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
 - a. 9.e. - Cautionary Thought
5. Committee Reports
 - a. Board Policy Manual-Update
 - i. Updates to Bylaws - pending changes from committee members
6. Policy Review
 - a. Nothing pulled for this meeting.
7. Director's Report; See attached
 - a. Board to send potential bookkeepers to Emily for further discussion.

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- b. FCSS successfully applied for a grant through Volunteer Alberta to support our Volunteer Appreciation Week initiatives (\$600).
 - c. County of Wetaskiwin FCSS is now offering their tax program, but does not have any volunteers to provide assistance. No assistance is currently available for Millet residents.
 - d. FCSS has performed 226 tax intakes to date (194 this time last year).
 - e. Period Pop Up → Inventory is very low, Emily to look into the Shoppers Drug Mart Foundation for Women funding. Potentially connect with MHCBC and Lions Club for additional support.
 - f. FCSS is currently offering Navigation, tax and ID services at Hope Mission's new facility a few times a month.
 - g. Director mentorship program - Emily has an introductory meeting with appointed mentor at the end of April.
 - h. All 2025 community grant reporting has now been received.
 - i. Emily to connect with the City of Wetaskiwin administration in regards to potentially submitting a proposal through to Albert Council for provincial advocacy efforts (i.e., seniors housing/rental assistance benefit).

8. Old Business

- a. N/A.

9. New Business

- a. Media Request
 - i. Response provided.
- b. AGM
 - i. Possibility of taking place prior to July pending annual return submission and bylaw changes.
- c. New Board Member Signing Authority
 - i. **Motion to remove "David Anderson" from signing authority on all accounts, Seconded, Carried.**
 - ii. **Motion to add "Jennifer LaValley" to signing authority on all accounts, Seconded, Carried.**
- d. Hope Mission Tour for Board
 - i. Emily to provide available dates to the Board to schedule a tour.
- e. Cautionary Thought
 - i. Discussion was held.

10. Adjournment: at 8:15pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 5, 2026