Greater Moncton Association for Community Living
Board of Directors Meeting
St. Bernard's Church Savage Room
(November 17th, 2011)

DRAFT MINUTES:

PRESENT:
Kourtney Stephenson, Kate Cober, Al Caissie, Denise Kinnie, Chelsea Pridham, Brian Connors, Stephane Amirault, Lucas Cober, Terry MacTavish-Hawkes, Pascale LeBrasseur, Monique Pelletier, Connie Melanson-Savoy.

REGRETS:
Normand Robichaud.

1. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:
Denise Kinnie, President, called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. AGENDA:
The agenda for the meeting was reviewed. Kate motioned that the board accept the agenda as read. Al seconded. All were in favour.

Motion Carried

3. MINUTES:
The minutes for the meeting were reviewed. Lucas suggested one amendment for clarity and then motioned that the minutes be accepted as amended. Kate seconded. All were in favour.

Motion Carried

4. FINANCIAL REPORT:
Pascale delivered the financial report to the board. The current bank balance is approximately $17,907.89. The Trees fundraiser is upcoming, so the board can expect there to be an influx of funds in November. Pascale made the motion to approve the financial report. Al seconded. All were in favour.

Motion Carried

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
Connie delivered the Executive Director's report to the board. It has been a very busy month for her with Trees and many large issues with families.

6. FLEX REPORT:
Monique delivered the FLEX report to the board. She has also had a very busy month, has completed her money management and hygiene workshops and an Internet safety workshop through the RCMP, which was well attended, and WHMIS training. She has also been assisting with Trees.

7. PEOPLE FIRST REPORT:
Brian delivered the People First report to the board. There is an election in Sussex on the 18th, and he is finished his term as president as of Saturday the 19th at the AGM. They still do not have an advisor to take over for Normand in their new year.

8. COMMITTEE UPDATES:
Fundraising: We still need to sell more tickets to the Gala; so far we have sold most of 125 tickets. Two MLAs, Bruce Fitch and Sue Stultz, have confirmed that they are coming, and we are waiting to hear from Marie-Claude Blais. Our usual MC, as well as the people who usually wrap the trees up for us, had to back out and replacements are being sought. Overall, we still need people who are willing to donate money to come to the event. Denise expressed that it is necessary for the board to get together a fundraising committee in the future so that all the work of organizing events will not fall on Connie.
Nominations: No news; except Denise has spoken to one person who has expressed interest. She has also spoken to Normand regarding his position on the board, and he indicated that he would like to stay on the board and will make as many meetings as possible.
Governance: The bylaws were distributed at the AGM, but no action was taken regarding them. If we are to make changes or updates to them, we are required to give the membership six months' notice before the AGM, which means we should have this completed by January (if we are planning a June AGM as usual). We also need the approval of 3/4 of the membership. Denise will get in touch with the Fredericton Association for Community Living and see if they have made any suggestions for changes so far, and we will proceed from there.
Administration/Management: Kate has agreed to be on this committee, and Pascale and Denise both know people who are willing to sit as well. We will look at setting this up for January.

9. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING:
The board elected not to have a social meeting for December and the next business meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, December 6th at 6:30. The January meeting was also scheduled for Tuesday, January 17th at 6:30. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Minutes submitted by Lucas Cober