



**Approved Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday November 21, 2024 @ 7 pm** Location: Memorial Hall Basement

**COMMON VISION:** Together, creating a community where everyone has the opportunity and supports to flourish where they live, learn, work and play.

**COMMON VALUES:** Common values will guide our behavior, inspire our actions, and encourage conversation within every component of this community initiative.

Empowerment — Sustainability — Accessibility — Best Practice — Respect  
Shared Responsibility “Nothing about us, without us” “It takes a village”

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**Present:** Allison Abbott-Wiebe, Karen Tjaden, Lisa Lehmann, Susan Wepler, Julie Hesketh, Lorna George, Lisa Lehmann

**Regrets:** Nancy Clearwater, Chantal Chevalier, Wendy Durand, Sheryl Reimer, Melissa Emerson-Froebe, Terra Huston, Rick Beers, Mandeep Kaur

Agenda:

Welcome:

1. Call to order 7:04 PM
2. Noting Vision and Values

Land Acknowledgement

Karen Tjaden read Chantal Chevalier’s Land Acknowledgement

Moment of Focus

Lorna and Karen T attended Engage MB Stakeholders event in Morden on Nov 4, 2024. At the event, people focused on a Poverty Reduction Strategy. Groups that were discussed about that needed to be focused on were babies and children (including prenatal), youth aging out of CFS care, and seniors. Solutions listed were the Manitoba Housing Benefit, MB Prenatal Benefit (which is now up to \$160/month supplement since CFS doubled it a year ago), and Healthy Baby Supplements and milk coupons (through pregnancy to 6 months).

Can we advertise these programs on our website/social media? – Discussion about uploading Get your Benefit booklet, which includes all resources listed above.

6 recommendations were written and submitted to the Province of Manitoba on behalf of the Pembina Valley Area. Lisa Lehmann signed it on behalf of CWC. We expect a “What We Heard” Report in February 2025.

Winkler shared their Vital Signs report - There was a conversation about CWC partnering with Carman Area Foundation to do something similar for Carman.



<https://winklercommunityfoundation.com/vitalsigns/>

3. Review Agenda

Due to a lack of quorum, all motions were postponed to a later date.

4. Approval of CWC – Board Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2024

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5. Correspondence

Received and read resignation of Rose Durupt

Received and read letter from Honorable Ian Bushie 2024/2025

Operating Funding Agreement

6. Committees and Reports

6.1. Working Group Reports

6.2. Food Pantry FCC Agri Spirit grant

6.3. Coordinator Report

6.4. Executive Officers Minutes

6.5. HR Committee

7. Financial Report

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7.1. Address Requests for Funding (RFF)

Including EngageFest additional registrations

7.2. Finance Committee Nominations

7.3. Healthy Together Now grant 2025-2026 Placemaking: Creating Spaces and Places to Connect  
(deadline Dec 1/24) \$2000

Lisa reports idea for storage space.

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7.4. Auditor – GTP, Krahn and Friesen, George & Associates

George & Associates cannot be auditor. Lorna will send letter to request for quote.

7.5. Request to Town/RM for 2025

7.6. Provincial Funds – meet Dec 5 again

Lorna

Unfinished Business

8. Immigration Conversation



9. Strategic Planning Jan 31 & Feb 1 2024

10. Tamarack EngageFest October 29 at Central Station in Winkler, October 30 online

11. Safe Families

12. Social Determinants of Health in Manitoba

13. Honorarium Policy

14. CWC/Christmas Cheer

15. Meeting with Town/RM

Sharing Resources

16. Tamarack Anti-Racism Group – Melissa

17. Making Poverty History MB

Wrap up and Evaluation of the Meeting

Motion to Adjourn meeting at 9:20PM moved by Susan Wepler

Memorial Hall Basement

Submitted by:

Diane Cohoe

(Recording Secretary)

Date: October 17,2024

Karen Tjaden

(Meeting Chair)