



High Prairie Aboriginal Interagency Committee
Provincial Building Boardroom
October 11, 2016
10:00 AM to 12:00pm



Attendance:

Aiyanna Mitchell	Rupertsland Institute
Cheryl Kachuk	NCSA
Gail Michaud	AHS, Addictions
Jamie Chalifoux	Hosts
Juanita Cloutier	WJS Canada
Karen Noskey	CFS, HP
Kristina Letendre	Lakeshore Regional Police Service
Lyanne Grammer	HPNFCS
Marlene Arrance	AHS
Michelle Grant	NW CFS
Murielle L'Hirondelle	PCAPI, FASD, EPMS
Nicole Bellerose	LSLIRC Justice Unit Restorative Justice
Robin Caird	Labour, HS
Vinita Parmar	AHS
Wendy Goulet	Aboriginal Services NWCFS

1.0 Opening of meeting

- 1.1 Smudge provided by Jamie Chalifoux.
- 1.2 Opening prayer provided by Jamie Chalifoux
- 1.3 Called to order at 10:10 am by Cheryl Kachuk
- 1.4 Round table of introductions

2.0 Agenda

- 2.1 Moved by Lyanne Grammer to accept agenda with additions.
Carried.

3.0 Review of minutes

- 3.1 Moved by Lyanne Grammer to accept minutes from September 13, 2016 with corrections. Carried.

4.0 Correspondence

- 4.1 Town of High Prairie Check for \$500 for HPTPW

5.0 Standing agenda Items

5.1 ATB Bank Account

5.1.1 Account Balance is \$2168.35

- Moved by Jamie Chalifoux/Lyanne Grammer to accept balance. Carried.

5.2 High Prairie Aboriginal Youth Career Workshop

- High Prairie Friendship Centre will be the banker.
- Lyanne Grammer, Jamie Chalifoux and Wendy Goulet will form committee.



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5.3 High Prairie Traditional Pow Wow

- May 13, 2017

6.0 Other Items

6.1 GOA responds to Auditor General's & Child and Youth Advocate Report & Voices of Change & Report of the Auditor General of AB – Human Services- Systems to deliver CFS to Indigenous Children in Alberta. Reports shared.

6.2 Review of the Child & Youth Advocate Act – written submissions due Friday October 14, 2016. Discussion Guide & Act shared.

6.3 Blanket Exercise train the trainer

- Train the trainer opportunity for MRAIC members. November 2, 2016 from 9:00 am -11:00 am via video conference. Register with Bev Cameron 780-538-5426 or email Bev.Cameron@gov.ab.ca by October 14, 2016
- Northwest Human Services & Indigenous and Community Connections Division are taking the Blanket Exercise on a Northwest Tour, November 14-18, 2016. November 16, 2016 the Blanket Exercise will take place in High Prairie, more information to be announced.

6.4 NW CFS Elders Referral Program

- Cultural Connection Project aims to enhance and expand the existing Elder Program. We want to: build respectful connections between Elders, cultural teachers, Child & Family Services Staff and families that CFS serves. Strengthen the Elders Program so that more children, families, caregivers, foster parents and staff are involved with Elders and other cultural teachers more often. Expand the cultural resources available so that children and families have access to the cultural support that is appropriate. We are interested to hear about your experiences with connecting the children in your care with cultural resources, teachers and Elders. Your wisdom will help bring better services and connections to the children and families. For more information or to contact the project call Dawna at 780-926-5462

6.5 Province removes barriers to library access for Indigenous families. Albertans that live on reserve or Metis Settlement will no longer have to pay a non-resident fee to the libraries.



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6.6 High Prairie Round Dance

- February Round Dance discussed. HPAIC would like to revive this HPAIC initiative. It brought the community together in the winter.
- Jamie will inquire with St. Andrew's school.
- Sub-committee Wendy Goulet, Lyanne Grammer, Cheryl Kachuk and Juanita Cloutier.

6.7 Sister in Spirit

- High Prairie's 8th Annual Sister in Spirit Walk was hosted by High Prairie Friendship Centre. It was a great turnout approximately 150 walkers.

6.8 Red Feather

- Lake Shore will be hosting an awareness workshop on drugs and alcohol for youth and Elders, date to be announced. It will be a two day conference. Tentative speakers are Lindsey Willier, Tommy Mueller and Rellick. Please contact Kristina Letendre if you would like more information. <Kristina.Letendre@lsrps.ca>

7.0 Sharing Circle not recorded

8.0 Next Meeting

November 8, 2016
10:00 am

9.0 Adjournment & Closing Prayer

- Adjournment at 11:35 am
- Closing prayer provided by Jamie Chalifoux