



# Altona Community Foundation

## Minutes

April 18, 2024

Minutes of the Altona Community Foundation (ACF) Board of Directors meeting held on Thursday, April 18, 2024.

Present were: president, Haydon Friesen; vice chair Al Friesen; treasurer, Angus Klassen; Vic Loewen; Leanne Braun; and Jo Funk. Regrets: Shauna Giesbrecht, Ralph Hamm and Jonathan Toews.

### Call to Order

Haydon Friesen called the meeting to order.

#### 1. Review of the Agenda

**MOTION: Vic Loewen - moved – Jo Funk– seconded - THAT** the agenda is approved as presented.  
**CARRIED.**

#### 2. Review of Previous Minutes

**MOTION: Angus Klassen – moved – Leanne Braun – seconded – THAT** the minutes of the meeting held March 20, 2024 are adopted as circulated.  
**CARRIED.**

#### 3. Financials

- No financial reports were presented.
- \$31,000 is available for spring granting. Angus to confirm the grant amount available from the Richard Neufeld Legacy Fund and advise the granting committee.
- Angus advised the ACF CC application has been approved – CC will be mailed.
- Payments were issued to: Jenn, \$68.35 – lunch and Google Workspace; Alt Marketing, \$28 - name tag; The Gardens on Tenth, \$2,500 - FG2023; Altona Minor Baseball, \$6,375 – SG2023.
- Annual interest cheques were issued to: Rosenfeld Cemetery, \$87.13 and Neubergthal Heritage Foundation, \$207.
- After discussion, board decided to move ahead and establish a milage fee of .40¢/km for board members attending out of town functions on behalf of the Altona Community Foundation. Jennifer to create a form and send to members that attended the Endow MB CF conference.

**MOTION: Angus Klassen – moved –Vic Loewen seconded – THAT** the Altona Community Foundation pay a milage rate of .40¢/km.  
**CARRIED.**

#### 4. Youth in Philanthropy (YIP)

- YIP reported they are ready to move into requesting applications for their 2024 granting. They revised the dates on the application form and sent over for approval.
- To date YIP has fundraised \$600 and with ACF's matching donation that gives them \$1,200 to distribute.
- YIP is hoping to run a press event the first week of June to share the grants with the successful applicants.
- YIP will present their 2024 applicants for board approval.

#### 5. 2024 Endow MB CF conference

- No new report – conference is this coming weekend April 19-21.

6. Altona Chamber Banquet

- Board to pay for two tickets for an ACF board member and spouse to attend the Altona Chamber of Commerce banquet.

**MOTION: Leanne Braun – moved –Jo Funk seconded – THAT** the Altona Community Foundation buy two tickets at a cost of \$240 to attend the Altona Chamber of Commerce banquet.

**CARRIED.**

7. Granting

- Trans Canada Trail committee is asking for a four-month grant extension on their 2023SG of \$5,250 for seeding tall grass along the trail. ACF grant extensions are only three months but the committee will be re-seeding after a failed germination and establishment in the summer of 2023 and might need the extra month to ensure the success of their project.

**MOTION: Vic Loewen – moved –Jo Funk – seconded – THAT** the Altona Community Foundation grant the Trans Canada Trail a four-month grant extension until September 30, 2024 to complete their project.

**CARRIED.**

- Jennifer to send the grant scoring guide to the committee along with SG2024 grant applications as they come in. Will also post applications to OneDrive for all board members to review.
- Altona & Area Family Resource Centre submitted a spread sheet of costs not actual receipts for their 2023SG of \$1,125. Angus advised we need actual receipts to pay out grants. Granting to make a recommendation to the board on how to proceed.

8. Community Engagement Committee

- AI provided the following report:
  - Jenn has made contact with previous grant applicants/recipients via email and created a number of FB posts drawing attention to recent cheque presentations, and inviting donations and funding applications. Spring granting announcement was also included in the Chamber's monthly newsletter.
  - Discussions completed with Tim Friesen of Golden West....PVOL campaign to encourage donations (and coincide with the granting period) is underway PVOL will "drive/connect" traffic to ACF website.
  - Haydon was interviewed by Golden West for an update on ACF granting application period.
  - Doralin of DG Inspired has prepared the following for ACF, she has also indicated she will be shutting down her business. Jenn has reached out to her to ensure our below order is completed within our time frame: Reprint of previous 3.5x8.5 postcard, with replaced photos - .96¢ each for 150; colour tri-fold brochures: design fee: \$95 and .97¢ each for 150.
  - AI will be attending the upcoming Endow Manitoba Conference and will look for additional examples of community and donor engagement.

9. Asset Development Committee

- ACF Future Ag Leader Scholarship and the Bergfeld Mennonite Church Missions Fund are still waiting on signatures.
- The Asset Development Committee met last week and reviewed ACFs existing funds. Committee reviewed their plans with the board for some of the existing funds and will reach out to fund holders.
- Inactive funds need to payout.
- Angus followed up with Justin at GTP and he confirmed the Winkler Community Foundation has moved all their funds to The Winnipeg Foundation. They used to have multiple GICS for each fund that had expiry dates a year apart – something the ACF needs to work through.
- ACF needs to develop a fund policy so we have prerequisites in place when starting a new fund.
- Need a mailing address for the fund holder of the Rosenfeld Cemetery Fund.

10. New Business

- The MB government will be proclaiming April 26 as Community Foundation Day across the province. AI will be representing the ACF and attending the celebration at the Manitoba legislature on April 25 for a brief program and a presentation of the official proclamation.

11. Next Meeting

- Thursday, May 23, 12 noon – Gold Room.

12. Adjournment.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this meeting is now adjourned and the next meeting of the Altona Community Foundation will be held on Thursday, May 23, 12 noon.

**CARRIED.**

Haydon Friesen, president  
Altona Community Foundation