

MINUTES
ADVISORY FORUM MEETING, CHF MANITOBA
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2002 7:30 P.M.
CARPATHIA HOUSING CO-OP, 88 SWINDON WAY, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

CHAIR:

Stephen Troubridge, Westboine Park

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Jocelyn Peifer, Director, Manitoba Operations

PRESENT:

Mel Willis, Manitoba Regional Director, CHF Canada
James Bainard, Willow Park East
Cathy Whitfield, Carpathia
Linda Ferguson, Village Canadien
Pat Jorgenson, Shalom Gardens
Roberta Lajoie, Willow Park East
Cathie Christie, Carpathia
Andrea Desrosier, Carpathia
George Kerr, Westboine Park
Rose Streik, Westboine Park
Nick Sidor, Director, Corporate Affairs, CHF Canada

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stephen Troubridge called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Stephen welcomed everyone to the meeting. Round the table introductions were individually given by all present.

2.0 MINUTES OF October 27, 2001 ADVISORY FORUM MEETING

MOTION: *“Minutes of the October 27, 2001 Advisory Forum meeting be approved as circulated.”*

Moved James Bainard. Seconded Andrea Desrosier. Carried.

3.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

There was no business arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

4.0 CHF MANITOBA OPERATIONS UPDATE

Jocelyn Peifer highlighted her activities from October 29, 2001 to January 25, 2002 for the Manitoba Office operations in a written report included in the meeting package.

5.0 REVIEW OF APPROVED 2002 MANITOBA OPERATIONS BUDGET

Stephen Troubridge briefly highlighted the differences noted in the two budgets for the Manitoba Office operations, one as approved by the members of the Manitoba Advisory Forum and the other as approved by the CHF Canada board of directors.

MOTION: *“Approve the revised 2002 CHF Manitoba Office budget as presented.”*
 Moved Pat Jorgenson. Seconded Mel Willis. Carried.

6.0 DISCUSSION ON PROPOSED POLICY & PROCEDURE AREAS FOR MANITOBA OFFICE

Stephen Troubridge highlighted the list that was noted in the meeting package of proposed policy areas to be developed for the Forum. The executive committee is suggesting that a Policy Committee be formed to work on the development of policy for the Forum operations. The committee would be made up of the three executive committee members plus two other volunteers. James Bainard and Rose Streik volunteered to sit on the Policy Committee.

7.0 FILLING VACANCIES ON THE FORUM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The executive committee of the Forum is comprised of three to five members. Currently there are three members of the executive. There was a discussion as to whether to elect more members to the executive at this time.

MOTION: *“The executive committee be authorized to appoint up to two more members to the executive committee should they require assistance to fulfill their role.”*
 Moved James Bainard. Seconded Roberta Lajoie. Carried.

8.0 CHF CANADA BOARD REPORTS

Mel Willis gave a brief update on the activities of the CHF Canada Board. There is a new federal government program to fund new housing development across Canada, which means that there should be some more housing co-ops developed under the new program. Housing co-ops in British Columbia are currently facing some major problems with water leakage, which will require some extra funding from the government to offset the cost of repairs related to this water damage.

Nick Sidor gave a brief update on the agency negotiations that CHF Canada is undertaking with the federal government. Negotiations are going well and a deal should be complete in the next year.

Mel Willis noted that his term as the Manitoba Regional Director for CHF Canada will be up at the June 2002 CHF Canada annual general meeting. A CHF Delegate's meeting will need to be held prior to the CHF annual general meeting in June to conduct an election for the position.

Nick Sidor noted that if the Manitoba delegates wanted to officially elect their Regional Director to the CHF Canada board at the local level and not at the CHF Canada annual general meeting, that the Manitoba delegates would need to pass a resolution to do so at the June 2002 CHF Canada annual general meeting. Then in 2004, when the position is up for election again, an official local election could be held.

Stephen Troubridge noted that the next Manitoba Advisory Forum meeting was scheduled for May 29, 2002 and would be a joint CHF Canada delegates meeting and an Advisory Forum meeting. He also noted that the Co-op Education Conference would be held on October 25 and 26, 2002 in Winnipeg, with an Advisory Forum meeting held in conjunction with the conference on October 26, 2002.

9.0 OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to come before the meeting.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.