



The
Morris Area Foundation
BUILDING A LEGACY FOR YOUR COMMUNITY Inc.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

Virtual, Morris, MB

Attendance:	Curtis Evenson	Midge Anderson	Dennis Matthies
	Bruce Gregory	Brendan Heppner	Del Stevenson
	Chris Hamblin	Cory Friesen	Lynda Lamber
Regrets:	Jackie Murray	Shelley Stupnisky	

Presiding: Chair Curtis Evenson

- 1 Call to order 8:33am
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion by Bruce Gregory and seconded by Del Stevenson to adopt the Morris Area Foundation board meeting agenda for Tuesday, January 10, 2022. Unanimously carried.
Motion #04/23
3. Approval of Minutes
Motion by Dennis Matthies, seconded by Chris Hamblin, that the Morris Area Foundation minutes from January 10, 2023, be approved. Unanimously carried.
Motion #05/23
4. Correspondence: No correspondence received.
5. Unfinished Business
 - 5.1 Community Services Recovery Fund
 - deadline February 21, 2023
 - Curtis reports there are no completed applications submitted to date
6. Reports
 - 6.1 Chairperson: Curtis and Del attended the Morris Curling Club strategic planning meeting. Curtis feels the MAF should hold a strategic planning session at some point.
 - 6.2 Treasurer:
 - a. Engagement Agreement

Motion by Midge Anderson, seconded by Chris Hamblin, to approve Treasurer Midge Anderson and Chair Curtis Evenson to execute the engagement agreement with Gislason, Targownik, Peters Chartered Professional Accountants of Winkler, MB as The Morris Area Foundation financial reviewer for the 2022 fiscal year. Unanimously carried.
Motion #06/23

b. Appointment of Signing Authority and Online Banking

Motion by Midge Anderson, seconded by Brendan Heppner, to approve the removal of Del Stevenson and appointment of President Curtis Evenson, Secretary Shelley Stupnisky, and Treasurer Midge Anderson as signing authority of The Morris Area Foundation Inc. at the Morris Access Credit Union as at Tuesday, February 14, 2023 and authorize Treasurer Midge Anderson to set-up online banking with the Morris Access Credit Union regarding all banking operations including cheques and e-transfers. Unanimously carried.

Motion #07/23

c. Youth in Philanthropy

YIP had a savings account attached to the MAF account. Denise of Endow MB has suggested YIP does not need a separate account because all cheques / grants are paid out by the MAF and not by YIP. Therefore, the YIP account has been added to the MAF account and all reporting for YIP is shown separately.

Motion by Midge Anderson, seconded by Del Stevenson, to approve the transfer of the Morris Area Foundation Inc. Youth in Philanthropy savings account be transferred to the Morris Area Foundation chequing account as at January 1, 2023. Unanimously carried.

Motion #08/23

d. 2022 Financial Statements

- Emails from Denise at Endow MB indicate that the market value has decreased from previous years, however, this will improve going forward.
- 2022 financial statements may have additional adjustments made by the accountants in review, therefore will wait to make a motion to approve
- Midge plans to develop and submit the T3010 CRA report herself to help with decreasing professional accounting costs

e. Approval of Cheques Written

Motion by Midge Anderson, seconded by Dennis Matthies, that all Morris Area Foundation cheques written totaling \$7,897.21 as follows be approved for payment:

No. 258	Morris Chamber of Commerce membership	\$75.00
No. 259	Community Foundations of Canada membership	\$450.00
No. 260	The Winnipeg Foundation Health & Wellness Fund	\$5,000.00
No. 261	Town of Morris Community Garden Grant flow thru	\$1,000.00
No. 262	Country Graphics 1,000 donation envelopes	\$552.37
No. 263	Town of Morris YIP Grant flow thru to Morris pool	\$819.84

Unanimously carried.

Motion #9/23

f. Threshold Grant

With the MAF total endowment growing over \$500,000, The Winnipeg Foundation Threshold Grant for next year will jump to \$2,000 from the current \$1,000 for under \$500,000.

g. Grants Rescinded

There are at least two prior grants that have not yet been claimed. The Board will review these grants later in 2023 with the possibility of rescinding said grants and adding the amount to the next MAF granting cycle.

Motion by Midge Anderson, seconded by Bruce Gregory, to approve the Morris Area Foundation treasurer's report as presented Tuesday, February 14, 2023. Unanimously carried.

Motion #10/23

h. Southern Health Fund – (NEED CORRECT NAME)

- Del spoke with previous manager Ralph about grants for capital projects as opposed to maintenance projects.
- Bruce says in the spirit of the monies held, grants are to be made to capital projects and not to maintenance projects which should be part of Southern Health's regular budget.
- Bruce advises the MAF is a trustee of the monies to spend down and are required to follow granting as was intended.
- Bruce advises the MAF receives the interest earned on said monies being held.
- Current Manager Matt Norris will be contacted to ask for capital projects only.
- Curtis advises the Southern Health monies are planned to be spent and gone by next year.

6.3 Staff Report:

- Lynda will be preparing the 2022 MAF annual report with Brendan as in previous years
- Lynda has asked that all reports, photos, information be forward to her by March 31st. She will organize all information and forward to Brendan who will then enter into the current annual report template. Lynda hopes to have the annual report completed by April 30th and have them ready for printing when the financial reports are completed by mid May. The full report is to be completed and ready 15 days prior to the Annual General Meeting in June.

7. Committee Reports:

7.1 2023 Budget

- after some discussion it was agreed to hold the \$10,000 administration grant from Community Foundations of Canada (CFC) for the Community Services Recovery Fund (CSRF) granting program in a savings account until the program is complete. This will be to protect the monies in the event the full or any portion of the amount is rescinded by CFC or Endow Manitoba. See attached budget.
- Bruce will be hosting two wills seminars. One in March for seniors in the afternoon and the second in the fall for younger adults in the evening. Bruce will fund rental fees, food, and refreshments as required.
- Jackie is hosting a seniors event in April on the topic falling and will integrate and invites the MAF to present therein.

Motion by Midge Anderson, seconded by Bruce Gregory, that the Morris Area Foundation 2023 Annual Operations Budget be approved as presented Tuesday, February 14, 2023. Unanimously carried.

Motion #11/23

7.2 Grant Committee – nothing to report

8. New Business:

8.1 AGM – Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at the Morris MultiPlex 7pm in the small room

8.2 Mike Hesford Music Fund – Curtis advises the Town of Morris will forward monies from the estate of Mike Hesford to be used to support the local school band music program. Upon receipt thereof, the MAF board will create a memorandum of understanding/ agreement to outline the criteria and conditions of said monies.

8.3 Endow MB Regional Meeting – Courtney Feldman of Endow MB has contacted Curtis to host a regional meeting in Morris on Wednesday, May 3, 2023. Endow MB will look after all arrangements, programming, and costs.

- Curtis will advise Courtney it was agreed to host in Morris at the MultiPlex in the small room, however he will ask for a different date in April. If it cannot be changed it was agreed to work with the suggested date.

8.4 New Board Members – Midge, Bruce and Dennis terms are up this year.

- the Board requires two more members
- please submit names potential names to Curtis
- the MAF recruiting process will follow at some point

9. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 am.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 @ 8:30 am (Virtual)

Approved Tuesday, March 14, 2023.

Curtis Evenson, Chair
The Morris Area Foundation Inc.

Shelley Stupnisky, Secretary
The Morris Area Foundation Inc.