

FAMILY COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting called by:	<u>Chair: Reg Knudson</u>	Type of meeting: <u>Monthly Family Council Meeting</u>
Vice Chair:	<u>Karen Moriarity</u>	Recorded by: <u>Reg Knudson</u>
Members:	<u>Reg Knudson, Karen Moriarity, Donna Kukk, Marion Dalley, Helen LeBlanc, Pam Moorhouse</u>	
Regrets:	<u>Karen Moriarity; Helen LeBlanc</u>	
Observer:	<u></u>	
Invitees:	<u>Tom Harrington, Administrator; Dawn Dodge, Activation Coordinator, Tracey Davidson, Director of Care</u>	

AGENDA ITEMS

Topic

Meeting commenced at 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Chaired by Reg Knudson

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Agenda

Pam Moorhouse asked to speak on Pet Therapy.

3. Approval of Minutes

Reg reviewed the minutes with members present. Call for approval of minutes as read, minutes approved by consensus.

4. Old Business

4:1 Outside Advocacy – This was tabled going forward. Tom provided an overview of St Lawrence Lodge governance and funding model.

4:2. Caregiver Information – Reg mentioned the upcoming series of monthly meetings to be put on by Social Worker Rebekah Kolarovski. There will be a one-hour session once a month for six months; poster was shown. Reg wondered about holding off on Family Council information night while this series was going on, as there was concern of too many events at one time. Pam asked if we could support this event.

4.3: Bake Sale – The AVP Bake Sale raised \$552.00

4.4: Reg noted the Communication Board has been cleaned up, and out date material had been removed.

5. New Business

5:1 Coffee on snack carts

Noted that was coffee on snack carts.

5:2. New Mom Volunteer Program

Marion brought forward an idea for a program that would see new moms bring their babies in to visit with residents at St Lawrence Lodge. This program would be based on programs that exist in other areas. She noted she already had new moms who were interested.

This would be a Volunteer Centre program. Marion noted there would be no need for Police Record Check as moms would be with staff at all times. Detail to be worked out was Infection Control.

St Lawrence Lodge was receptive to the idea.

This item will be on the Agenda for next month.

5:3. Pet Therapy

Karen was unable to attend, and speak her item of Pet Therapy.

It was Noted that St Lawrence Lodge has Pet Therapy. It is through St John Ambulance. Program is through the building and not on the Calendar. It takes place in common areas.

5:4 Information Availability

Reg asked about where to find information about residents' daily care in relation to a specific request. Invitees in attendance provided answers. Reg noted at this time for St Lawrence Lodge to remember that for caregivers, there was an information vacuum. This could be remedied somewhat through the newsletter as had been previously noted.

6. Administration Report

6:1. As of the meeting date no budget had been released.

6:2. New beds had been installed. The cost for these beds was approximately \$90,000. The new beds were in full units and part of units.

6:3. Tom noted there had been a couple of iterations of amalgamation plans for Leeds and Grenville Health Units to merge with other areas. There may be new prototypes for combining areas this summer. Some would percolate to the top over time.

6:4. Tom mentioned about the possibility of some beds in homes across the province being designated High Acuity Priority Access Beds. This is a new criteria, and the idea is still fluid. It could be 4 to 6 beds.

7. Round Table

7:1. There was question about gardening. Vegetables were going in. Residents had some participation. AVP would hold a plant sale.

7:2. Reg mentioned he had recently been to a presentation in Smith's falls put on by the Alzheimer's Society. One of the speaker's had been an Alzheimer's Society Lived Experience Facilitator. Vicki Willis is the area's Lived Experience Facilitator, and she is available for speaking events. This is for future reference.

8. **Next Meeting Date:** *Tuesday, June 18th, 2019 – new meeting time 1:00 p.m.*

9. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned by Chair @ 2:35p.m.