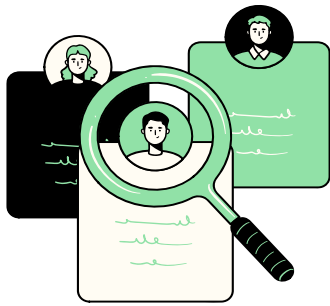




Date: Tuesday, August 4, 2026



Minutes

1. Opening/In Attendance: Lisa, Beth, Sophia, Sue, Leona, Ann, Bernie, Sandra, Stacey, Carrie, Sadie, Denise, Bianca, Atta, Jayden

2. Action Follow Up – June

Action: Members interested in co-chair position.

Motion, Lisa, to nominate Sadie as co-chair for EFAN, seconded Denise, motion carried.

3. EFAN Business Priorities:

- Reporting

- July 1 – September 30, 2026: Quarter 2
- ORS is due by 9:00 am on September 30, 2026
- Narrative Reports are due Friday, October 9, 2026

- Finances

- Approval of the EFAN Audited Financial Statement prepared by Bergeron & Co.
- The Coordinator presents the financial report of the organization. The audited financial statement has been finalized and the revenue and a summary of expenses for the organization have been presented for the period of April 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026. During the past fiscal year, EFAN's total income was \$5,825,140 against total expenses of \$5,825,140. Total assets \$284,854, total liabilities \$244,137, net assets at the beginning of the year \$40,717, net assets at end of the year \$40,717. These numbers represent the twelve months ended March 31, 2026.
- Motion to approve audited financial report, Lisa, second, Stacey, motion carried.
- Have requested that the EFAN audit next year be done earlier, Bergeron has booked in for the last week of April 2027.
- June 1, 2027 EFAN AGM

- FASD Service Network Program

- Round table with Minister Neudorf (Assisted Living and Social Services)

4. Adult FASD Assessments

- Questions from Willow Winds. **Action: Lisa will follow up with our program triage tool for assessment that helps to support referrals to mentorship programs and Manor Clinic.**

5. FASD & Seniors

- Questions for members

- Are we currently serving anyone aged 50, 60 or 65+?
- What needs are emerging—health, housing, memory, mobility, finances or caregiver loss?
- Should services have an upper age limit?
- If so, what would determine it: age, funding, safety or program mandate?
- Where would people go after reaching that limit?
- Do seniors' services understand and accommodate FASD?
- Could we offer shared support or a warm transition instead of ending service?
- Should aging planning begin around age 50 or 55?
- What training do our staff need?
- Which seniors', health and continuing-care organizations should join this conversation?

6. 'Provincial FASD Initiatives:

- *Prevention Conversation*

	Annual Target	Quarter 1
Formal training sessions	48	9
Total Trainees	580	226
# of Professionals	400	162
# of Post Secondary Students	60	64
# of Youth	20	0
# of Mixed Audiences	100	0

- *WRaP 2.0*

- Government of Alberta RFP closed, successful application was Willow Winds.

7. AGM, FASD Day & Lakeland Conference

- AGM is September 1, 2026
- Registration closes Friday, August 7, 2026
<https://edmontonfetalandalcoholnetwork.org/about/2026-2027/agm-2026-registration/>
- FASD Day: Bissell Centre, FASD Awareness Red Shoes Walk September 9, 2026
- Sir Winston Churchill Square, 12:30 pm registration, 1:00 pm Speakers, 1:30 pm walk
- Lakeland Conference: <https://lcfasd.com/calendar/stronger-than-stigma-reframing-fasd/>

- November 3 & 4th, 2026
- Early Bird: \$356.65/person

8. Towards Healthy Outcome Fund

- First Steps, \$2500, transportation to groups.
- Leduc County, \$750, movie outing
- Motion, Lisa, seconded, to approve the First Steps and Bridges applications, seconded, Denise, motion carried.

9. New Research & Resources

- <https://edmontonfetatalcoholnetwork.org/2026/07/20/canfasd-common-messages-guidelines-for-talking-and-writing-about-fasd/>
- Here are some overarching recommendations for all messages about FASD:
 - Respect, dignity, and inherent human worth should be promoted among individuals with FASD, people who use alcohol during pregnancy, and their families.
 - FASD awareness or prevention programs and initiatives should avoid messaging that places blame, shame, or guilt on people who use alcohol during pregnancy and/or on individuals with FASD.
 - When using imagery, refrain from using pictures of fetuses, pregnant bellies only (separated from the person's body), and naked pregnant people.
 - Fatalistic or deficit-focused terminology should be replaced with person-first, strength-based, and hope-focused language.
 - When referring to FASD refrain from using terms such as "leading cause". FASD is a disability and not the cause of one. Prenatal Alcohol Exposure is the cause.
 - Instead of saying FASD is "the most common" or "the leading" neurodevelopmental disability, say FASD is "one of the leading" or "one of the most common" neurodevelopmental disabilities.
 - Always rely on information that is accurate and based on rigorous, high-quality research (i.e., evidence-based).
 - Refrain from stating that FASD is "100% preventable" as this statement greatly oversimplifies the issue and can stigmatize individuals and families.

10. Next Meeting:

- AGM Tuesday, September 1, 2026 10:00 am – 11:30 (ish)
11405 – 163 Street NW Edmonton (street parking)