



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 24 Board Meeting at 3p.m.

Connections Presentation at 2:30pm – Leigh Gibson and Leslie Greene

Attendees: Mary Lou Pratt, Wayne Stryde, Michel Vermette, Bruce Brough, Carole Devine, Shari Glenn, Jan Paul- Barr, Teri Rheaume (3-4), Lesley Scharf, Gerry Van Loon

Staff: Sarah Sark, **Resource:** Melanie Webber

Regrets: Miriam Hunt, Jean Dunning, Nick Dibdin

1. Welcome:
 - 1.1 Land acknowledgement statement: Bruce Brough
 - 1.2 Confirmation of quorum -quorum was confirmed
2. Approval of agenda: The agenda was approved as presented
 - 2.1 Conflict of interest: No new conflict of interested were declared during the meeting.
3. Approval of minutes:
 - 3.1 Approval of Board minutes from February 24, 2026 :
The minutes were approved as presented
4. Business arising
 - 4.1 Performance working group meeting update
Sarah presented a dataset outlining all program budgets, including a risk identifier column. The Board engaged in discussion regarding which metrics would be most meaningful for reporting and oversight. The working group will reconvene in April to continue this work.
5. New business
 - 5.1 MSAA extension letter - The MSAA extension letter was signed with no changes from previous year.
6. Board workplan items for March:
 - 6.1 Ensure the organization conforms to by-laws:
The Governance Committee has completed a thorough review of the organization's by-laws and is satisfied that ConnectWell is operating in full compliance with these requirements.
 - 6.2 Initiate CEO performance review process-



Mary Lou shared that she and Jean have begun the process, but there are no new developments to report at this time.

7. Report from the Chief Executive Officer

8. Finance Committee report

- 8.1 It was agreed that the RFP fundraising discussion will take place at the Finance Committee meeting on April 21, with recommendations to be brought forward to the April Board meeting.

9. Governance Committee report

- 9.1 March 4, 2026 Draft Governance Meeting minutes

10. QRS Committee report

- 10.1 March 12, 2026, Draft QRS Meeting minutes

- Invitations have gone out for the May 2nd spring retreat
- Liz Weaver will present at next month's meeting to discuss generative discussions

11. Nominating Committee report

- 11.1 February 17, 2026, Approved Meeting minutes

- 11.2 March 16, 2026, Draft Meeting minutes

- 11.3 Terms of Reference – The TOR was approved, and moving forward, both a tracked changes version and a finalized version will be provided.

- 11.4 Succession Planning

12. Alliance Liaison report

- 12.1 Registration for the Alliance Annual conference (June 2-4, 2026)

The Annual General Meeting will be held on June 2, followed by the conference on June 3 and 4. An authorized voting representative is required to attend. Bruce has volunteered to represent the organization, and there is space for one additional attendee. Please inform Bruce by April 10 if you plan to participate.

13. Information items:

- 13.1 Lanark Era Foot Care Article

Meeting adjourned at 4:47PM

14. Next meeting: April 28, 2026, IN- PERSON at Lanark site (207 Robertson Dr)

- Generative Discussion – Liz Weaver- 2:30
- Quality Improvement presentation 3:45pm- Manish Watts
- Board meeting @ 4:00 p.m.