



**GLOUCESTER EMERGENCY FOOD CUPBOARD:**  
Minutes of Board Meeting, May 19, 2009

CHAIR: Vivien Runnels

PRESENT: Natasha So, Pat O'Driscoll, Linda Lalonde, Pauline McNally, Marion Washington, Tracy Martineau, Marjorie Gardner

REGRETS: Don Collar, Ann Frederking, Valerie Hall

STAFF: Gwen Bouchard

Vivien began by introducing the new and returning board members.

The minutes from the March board meeting were approved on a motion proposed by Pauline and seconded by Linda

1. Executive Coordinators Report, Gwen Bouchard
  - Gwen reported some increase in numbers for March and April from 2008 to 2009, March -1421 to 1561, April -1375 to 1419 respectively.
  - We received 200 boxes of food from the St Peter's High School food drive.
  - The Bellemare picnic will take place on June 28<sup>th</sup>. We will be running a raffle, prizes to be provided by Councillor Bellemare's office.
  - The new database is still a work in progress, as is the new website.
  - We have been approved for funding for hiring a summer student for 12 weeks hired at \$9.50/ an hour for a total of \$5029. Lindsay Ficara has been hired for 14 weeks at \$10.50/hr (the Food Cupboard making up the difference as per March minutes). Lindsay has asked to take a week of that without pay to travel with family.
  - A new carpet was installed by the city in April.
  - We are purchasing 200lbs of ground beef every 2 months from Bearbrook Farms.
2. Don Collar will serve as board chair, Jim Bogues as treasurer and Tracy Martineau as secretary for the coming year.

The meeting adjourned on a motion proposed by Pauline.  
Next meeting September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm