

DRAFT Meeting Minutes – FCA General Meeting  
Wednesday, March 18, 2026  
7:00 pm, online

1	Agenda Item Call to Order, Welcome to Participants, Land Acknowledgement	Discussion  The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm and Land acknowledgement made. Quorum was confirmed by the Chair.	Action
2	Approval of the Agenda	Motion to approve the Agenda Motion: Bob Brocklebank Second: Lynne Davidson-Fournier All in favour	
3	Approval of the minutes of the general meeting of February 18, 2026	Motion to approve the general meeting of February 18, 2026 Deferred to the April meeting for lack of timely circulation.	
4	Presentation: The FCA's relationships with other not-for-profit organizations	The Chair gave a presentation on the nature of the relationships it currently has with outside organizations. This included non-CA members of the FCA (Greenspace Alliance, CAFES), organizations in which the FCA is a member (Federation of Urban Neighbourhoods, Peoples Official Plan Coalition), and other, unrelated, organizations which are not eligible for membership but with we may wish to collaborate on specific issues, such as GOHBA, the Ottawa Board of Trade, and Strong Towns Ottawa. Take aways from the discussion with members present included: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. reviewing our by-law and policies to cover partnerships,</li> <li>2. develop stronger partnerships at the provincial level, starting with our membership in FUN,</li> <li>3. conduct outreach with place based potential members such as tenants' associations and condo boards</li> <li>4. consider whether and how to collaborate with groups such as francophone and immigrant communities</li> </ol>	

5	Chair's report	The Chair reported on a second grant application made to the Ottawa Community Foundation, the 2026 membership campaign, the reactivation of the Nominations Committee, the progress made on the establishment of the Community and Social Services standing committee and the refusal by the Board of an endorsement request received from the Peoples Official Plan Coalition regarding bus lanes on Bank Street.	
6	Treasurer's Report:	Lorne Cutler reported on the financial position of the FCA. He also reported that the membership renewal rate for the 2026 campaign was on par with last year's.	
7	Committee Reports	This item was devoted to the review and approval of an FCA position on the Refresh of the City's 10 Year Housing and Homelessness Plan. The Chair of the Planning and Zoning Committee gave a presentation on the subject and invited questions and comments from members present. No vote was taken but a general consensus emerged on the proposed FCA written submission to the Joint Committee.	
8	Other Business		
9	Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm	

Next meeting: April 15, 2026, in person at the Greely Community Centre