



**Chair: Allyson Dann, Ben Patmore**

**Present:**

Mezaun Lakha-Evin (CPA/AAN)

Allyson Dann (CFAN)

Colleen Huston (Action Hall)

Ben Patmore (CCIS)

## Meeting Minutes

1.	Land Acknowledgement Welcome and Introductions
2.	Meeting minutes from July 2021 - Approved
3.	<p><b><u>AISH Stories</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Regarding sharing the recommendations tied to each of the stories on social media, the marketing department of two agencies around the table have noted that they will be sharing the stories however not the recommendation and instead promote them while sharing the services that they offer. This is tied to certain reasons, one of them being the funding that agencies receive from the various levels of government and how that might be perceived. The recommendations are however not targeting the government but instead are being used as an awareness tool for people to learn more about AISH and how it supports persons with disabilities.</li><li>- To navigate the issue of sharing recommendations, we can provide agencies with questions that they can use to initiate a discussion with their members on social media. Potential question:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. What do you see as being some of the benefits?</li><li>2. What could be better?</li><li>3. For more information on AISH benefits (provide link to the Government of Alberta AISH page, Disability Advocate page and the AAN website)</li></ol></li><li>- Proposed that the members who shared their stories also read them and get them recorded. For some members who are immune compromised and could not arrange to meet in-person for the recording, one of the table members can do the recording. Also recommended that members who speak another language and shared their stories in their language, also record them in their native language.</li></ul>

## AAN Poverty Reduction Table

August 17, 2021

- Ben will bring the necessary equipment and the main library has been proposed as the meeting location as it is more central regardless of where everyone lives.
- No preference for the order of the stories.
- Stories were reviewed collectively and recommendations have been linked to stories that were missing recommendations:  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QE9qQGyFcmuq0e3dnwkNXtJJ\\_Y4IS3Ps/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QE9qQGyFcmuq0e3dnwkNXtJJ_Y4IS3Ps/edit)
- Allyson and Ben will prepare an email that we will share with the table on the initiative and the approaches that they can take to promote it.

### **Action Items:**

- Draft email to be sent to the table – Allyson and Ben
- Connect with people who shared the stories and volunteers to record the stories.
- Mezaun to draft a letter to be shared with officials and those running for office.

### **Wrap-Up/Adjournment**

Next meeting:

**Date:** September 21, 2021

**Time:** 1:30 - 3:30 pm

**Location:** Zoom