



Board of Health Meeting

September 22, 2021 MINUTES

Video/Teleconference | Algoma Community Room

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Sally Hagman - Board Chair
Ed Pearce - 1st Vice Chair
Deborah Graystone - 2nd Vice Chair
Lee Mason
Musa Onyuna
Brent Rankin
Matthew Scott
Louise Caicco Tett

APH EXECUTIVE

Dr. Jennifer Loo - Acting Medical Officer of Health & CEO
Dr. John Tuinema - Acting Associate Medical Officer of Health
Antoniette Tomie - Director of Corporate Services
Laurie Zeppa - Director of Health Promotion & Prevention
Joel Merrylees - Controller
Tania Caputo - Board Secretary
Tanya Storozuk - Executive Assistant

REGRETS: Micheline Hatfield

GUESTS: Hilary Cutler, Manager of Child and Family Services - presenting
Corina Artuso, Youth Advisor, Public Health Programs, currently assigned to Indigenous Liaison

* *Proceedings are being recorded and will be available upon request.*

1.0 Meeting Called to Order

a. Land Acknowledgement

Delivered by S. Hagman.

b. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts were declared.

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

**RESOLUTION
2021-73**

Moved: E. Pearce

Seconded: L. Mason

THAT the Board of Health agenda dated September 22, 2021 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3.0 Delegations / Presentations

Senior's Oral Health Presentation

H. Cutler delivered the presentation on Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program at APH , outlining the role of public health in reducing inequity in senior's oral health. She provided an overview of the program over the past year and the plans going forward. There was discussion about program pressures and additional resources for the future. She answered questions about the process for local dental health providers and prioritizing of clients. Once more data is collected on the program, it will be shared with the Board at a future meeting.

4.0 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

**RESOLUTION
2021-74**

Moved: L. Mason

Seconded: L. Caicco Tett

THAT the Board of Health meeting minutes dated June 23, 2021 and August 30, 2021 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

5.0 Business Arising from Minutes

a. Land Acknowledgement Briefing Note

C. Artuso provided a recap of the direction given at the June 2021 Board of Health meeting to create an updated Land Acknowledgement through consultation with First Nation and Métis Communities in Algoma. She explained the considerations for the revised Land Acknowledgement and how it supports relationship building between Indigenous partners and public health. In addition to feedback on the Land Acknowledgement content and value, partners indicated that it was critical for APH to follow-up to ensure meaningful actions are taken towards the shared goal of Reconciliation. One of such recommendations included the potential for Indigenous representation on the Board of Health.

RESOLUTION 2021-75

Moved: B. Rankin
Seconded: L. Mason

Whereas the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) of Canada released a report documenting the voices of survivors of Indian Residential Schools; and

Whereas the Ontario Public Health Standards recognize the requirement for boards of health to engage with Indigenous communities in ways that are meaningful for them; and

Whereas the research project titled Talking Together To Improve Health identified four principles of Indigenous engagement, including respect, trust, self-determination, and commitment; and

Whereas the literature indicates that saying a Land Acknowledgement, when appropriate, can be a small but important step in continuing to build and sustain meaningful relationships with Indigenous communities and people;

Be it resolved that APH acknowledge the harm that colonization and the residential school system caused and continues to cause to Indigenous people in Canada;

Be it further resolved that the Algoma district-wide Land Acknowledgement will be used at every Board of Health Meeting and is approved for use by the Board of Health and staff, when saying the Land Acknowledgement is deemed meaningful to do so.

CARRIED

6.0 Reports to the Board

a. Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer Reports

i. MOH Report -September 2021

J. Loo provided an update on work taking place over the summer and going forward into the fall. She spoke about the 4th wave of COVID-19 driven by the Delta variant in Ontario. The vaccination of our total population in Algoma stands at just over 70 % that are fully immunized. J. Loo noted that district wide partnerships with hospitals, family health teams, pharmacies, congregate care settings and members of the business community who have been supportive and contributed to this success. She talked about healthy public policy and the rollout of vaccination policies in workplaces. APH has put together a workplace vaccine policy toolkit and has made recommendations to all workplaces to implement a vaccine policy. APH has developed its vaccine policy that the Board Secretary will provide to members.

J. Loo talked about recovery in public health programming as there are many programs that had been disrupted through the pandemic and there will be a description of backlogs coming to the November Board report.

RESOLUTION 2021-76

Moved: L. Mason
Seconded: L. Caicco Tett

THAT the report of the Medical Officer of Health/CEO for September 2021 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

b. Finance and Audit

i. Unaudited Financial Statements for the period ending July 31, 2021.

**RESOLUTION
2021-77**

Moved: E. Pearce
Seconded: D. Graystone

THAT the Board of Health approves the Unaudited Financial Statements for the period ending July 31, 2021, as presented.

CARRIED

c. Governance Committee

i. Governance Committee Chair Report

**RESOLUTION
2021-78**

Moved: B. Rankin
Seconded: L. Caicco Tett

THAT the Governance Committee Chair Report for September 2021 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

ii. 02-05-025 Board Member Remuneration

**RESOLUTION
2021-79**

Moved: L. Caicco Tett
Seconded: D. Graystone

THAT the Board of Health has reviewed and approves policy **02-05-025 Board Member Remuneration**, as presented.

CARRIED

iii. 02-05-055 Board of Health Self-Evaluation

**RESOLUTION
2021-80**

Moved: D. Graystone
Seconded: L. Mason

THAT the Board of Health has reviewed and approves policy **02-05-055 Board of Health Self-Evaluation**, as amended.

CARRIED

iv. 06-01 Sewage System Part 8 of Ontario Building Code Act

**RESOLUTION
2021-81**

Moved: B. Rankin
Seconded: M. Onyuna

THAT the Board of Health has reviewed and approves policy **06-01 Sewage System Part 8 of Ontario Building Code Act** as presented.

CARRIED

v. 95-1 To Regulate Proceedings of the Board

**RESOLUTION
2021-82**

Moved: L. Mason
Seconded: E. Pearce

THAT the Board of Health has reviewed and approves policy **95-1 To Regulate Proceedings of the Board** as presented.

CARRIED

7.0 New Business/General Business

- a. **Chair of Boards of Health Meeting** - S. Hagman reported no new updates for this month.
- b. **Algoma Vaccination Council Update** - L. Caicco Tett reported the meetings have moved from bi-weekly to monthly as the clinics at GFL wind down. The focus has turned to business vaccine policies and note that the APH resource was a welcome addition. She noted that the businesses attending the council meetings feel very supported and appreciate the presence of APH at the table providing information and updates.

8.0 Correspondence

- a. Letter to the Minister of Health, and the Long-Term Care, from The City of Hamilton regarding Support for a Local Board of Health dated September 15, 2021.
- b. Letter to the Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, from Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit regarding Public Health Funding dated September 16, 2021.
- c. Letter to the Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, from Northwestern Health Unit regarding Public Health Mitigation Funding dated August 27, 2021.
- d. Letter to the Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, from Northwestern Health Unit regarding IPAC Hub Funding dated August 27, 2021.

9.0 Items for Information

- a. August 2021 Issue of alPha's Information Break

10.0 Addendum

a. Briefing Note - Purchase ERP System

RESOLUTION
2021-83

Moved: E. Pearce
Seconded: L. Mason

THAT the Board of Health has reviewed and accepts the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee to select Centrilogic as the successful vendor to implement Oracle NetSuite as APH's ERP system and sign an agreement with them for support and annual license fees.

CARRIED

b. Briefing note - Purchase Production Servers

RESOLUTION
2021-84

Moved: B. Rankin
Seconded: L. Mason

THAT the Board of Health has reviewed and accepts the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee that staff will prepare an RFQ for new production servers. A list of hardware required to build the servers would be provided to APH by its contracted IT Manager. An RFQ will be sent to APH's current roster of IT vendors and upon approval from the Board of Directors APH will purchase the required hardware from the successful vendor in 2021.

CARRIED

11.0 In-Camera

For discussion of labour relations and employee negotiations, matters about identifiable individuals, adoption of in-camera minutes, security of the property of the board, litigation or potential litigation.

RESOLUTION
2021-85

Moved: E. Pearce
Seconded: D. Graystone

THAT the Board of Health go in-camera.

CARRIED

12.0 Open Meeting
There were no resolutions resulting from in camera meeting.

13.0 Announcements / Next Committee Meetings:

Finance & Audit Committee
Wednesday, October 13, 2021 @ 5:00 pm
Video Conference | SSM Algoma Community Room


Board of Health Meeting
Wednesday, October 27, 2021 @ 5:00 pm
Video Conference | SSM Algoma Community Room

Finance & Audit Committee
Wednesday, November 10, 2021 @ 5:00 pm
Video Conference | SSM Algoma Community Room

Governance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, November 16, 2021 @ 5:00 pm
Video Conference | SSM Algoma Community Room


14.0 Evaluation - S. Hagman reminded all board members to complete the evaluation survey.

15.0 Adjournment
RESOLUTION
2021-88
Moved: D. Graystone
Seconded: L. Mason
THAT the Board of Health meeting adjourns.
CARRIED



S. Hagman, Chair
October 27, 2021

Date



Tania Caputo, Secretary
October 27, 2021

Date