

Board of Health Meeting

MINUTES

May 25, 2022 at 5:00 pm

Video/Teleconference

BOARD MEMBERS

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

APH MEMBERS

Dr. John Tuinema - Acting Medical Officer of Health & CEO
Antoniette Tomie - Director of Corporate Services
Laurie Zeppa - Director of Health Promotion & Prevention
Leo Vecchio - Manager of Communications
Leslie Dunseath - Manager of Accounting Services
Tania Caputo - Board Secretary

REGRETS: Musa Onyuna, Micheline Hattfield, Chris Spooney - Acting Director of Health Protection, Tanya Storozuk - Executive Assistant, Dr. Emil Prikryl - Public Health and Preventive Medicine Resident, Liliana Bressan - Manager of Effective Public Health Practice.

1.0 Meeting Called to Order

- a. **Land Acknowledgment** - Read by S. Hagman
- b. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest** - No conflicts declared

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

**RESOLUTION
2022-53**

Moved: L. Mason
Seconded: D. Graystone

THAT the Board of Health agenda dated May 25, 2022 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3.0 Delegations / Presentations

Not Applicable

4.0 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

**RESOLUTION
2022-54**

Moved: L. Caicco Tett
Seconded: B. Rankin

THAT the Board of Health minutes dated April 27, 2022 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

5.0 Business Arising from Minutes

Not applicable.

6.0 Reports to the Board

a. Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer Reports

i. MOH Report - May 2022

J. Tuinema summarized the report, highlighting the improved COVID-19 outcomes with the lowest number of high-risk cases since the beginning of the omicron wave. He explained the new case and contact management approach focused on high-risk outbreaks and reported on vaccination rates and treatments for COVID-19 infection. The Pandemic Recovery Action Plan is being developed with input from staff and stakeholders to routinize our COVID response further and restore and rebuild core public health programs and services.

From the presentation shared with the Board of Health in February 2022, an abstract titled **“Walking Together: How four guiding principles underpinned meaningful collaboration between local public health and Indigenous partners during COVID-19”** was written and submitted in partnership with Maamweysing North Shore Community Services to the Canadian Public Health Association.

The APH annual reports for 2019, 2020 and 2021 are included in this meeting package and available on the APH website.

**RESOLUTION
2022-55**

Moved: E. Pearce
Seconded: L. Mason

THAT the report of the Medical Officer of Health and CEO for May 2022 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

b. Finance and Audit

i. Unaudited Financial Statements for the period ending March 31, 2022.

A summary of the Financial Statements was provided by L. Dunseath.

**RESOLUTION
2021-56**

Moved: L. Mason
Seconded: E. Pearce

THAT the Board of Health approves the Unaudited Financial Statements for the period ending March 31, 2022, as presented.

CARRIED

c. Governance

i. Governance Committee Chair Report

D. Graystone provided a summary of the May 11, 2022, Governance Committee Meeting with discussion about an Annual General Meeting for the purpose of reviewing bylaws. Further research will take place over the summer and follow-up discussion at the September Governance Committee Meeting before returning to the BOH agenda.

**RESOLUTION
2022-57**

Moved: D. Graystone
Seconded: L. Caicco Tett

THAT the Governance Committee Chair Report for May 2022 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

ii. Policy #02-05-060 Meetings and Access to Information

**RESOLUTION
2022-57**

Moved: D. Graystone
Seconded: B. Rankin

THAT the Board of Health has reviewed and approves **Policy #02-05-060 Meetings and Access to Information**, as presented.

CARRIED

iii. **Policy #02-05-075 - Election of Chair, Vice-Chair or Committee Members**

**RESOLUTION
2022-58**

Moved: L. Caicco Tett

Seconded: M. Scott

THAT the Board of Health has reviewed and approves **Policy #02-05-075 - Election of Chair, Vice-Chair or Committee Members**, as presented.

CARRIED

7.0 New Business/General Business

a. Algoma Vaccination Council Update

L. Caicco Tett provided a summary report of the work done by the council throughout the pandemic. Clinic sites supported were GFL, IFC, East Blind River, Richards Landing, Thessalon and the First Nations of Garden River, Batchewana and Thessalon and indirectly Serpent River, Wawa and Elliott Lake. The committee coordinated the delivery of over 7500 meals and snacks to the clinics involving 35 local restaurants. Over \$80,000 in cash and direct sponsor purchase and in-kind contributions was generated and absorbed into the local economy through these efforts.

As of May 2022, more than 97,000 Rapid tests have been delivered to 530 local and area small businesses and more than 50,000 to larger employers.

b. Indigenous Engagement Training

D. Graystone has proposed 15 minute training modules to be implemented at BOH meetings starting in September.

c. Transitional housing

E. Pearce requested that the BOH consider a presentation by a transitional housing organization. This has been deferred for further discussion amongst Board Executive.

8.0 Correspondence

- a.** Letter to the Minister of Health and Deputy Premier, Ministry of Health from Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit regarding **Response to the Opioid Crisis in Simcoe Muskoka and Ontario-wide** dated March 16, 2022.
- b.** Letter to the Minister of Health and Deputy Premier, Ministry of Health from Windsor-Essex County Health Unit regarding **Letter of Support – Ontario Regulation 116/20, Work Deployment Measures for Boards of Health** dated March 30, 2022.
- c.** Letter to the Minister of Health and Deputy Premier, Ministry of Health from Grey Bruce Public Health regarding **Mental Health and the Opioid Crisis** dated April 29, 2022.
- d.** Letter to the Minister of Health and Deputy Premier, Ministry of Health from Peterborough Public Health regarding **Extension of Ontario Regulation 116/20, Work Deployment Measures of Boards of Health** dated May 2, 2022.
- e.** Letter to the Minister of Health and Deputy Premier, Ministry of Health from Peterborough Public Health regarding **Provincial Opioid Crisis Response** dated May 2, 2022.

9.0 Items for Information

a. alPHa Information Break / Annual General Meeting

S. Hagman will attend the alPHa AGM and will return with a report from the June meeting. J. Tuinema will also attend.

10.0 Addendum

An updated meeting agenda was in the addendum.

11.0 In-Camera - 5:51 pm

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
2022-59**

Moved: D. Graystone
Seconded: L. Mason

THAT the Board of Health go in-camera.

CARRIED

12.0 Open Meeting - 5:53 pm

There are no resolutions resulting from the in-camera meeting.

13.0 Announcements / Next Committee Meetings:

Finance & Audit Committee

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 @ 5:00 pm

Video Conference

Board of Health Meeting

Wednesday, June 22, 2022 @ 5:00 pm

Video Conference/In-person (in-person meeting to be confirmed)

In person meetings may resume in September 2022

14.0 Evaluation

S. Hagman reminded Board members to complete their meeting evaluation.


15.0 Adjournment - 5:55 pm

**RESOLUTION
2022-63**

Moved: D. Graystone
Seconded: M. Scott

THAT the Board of Health meeting adjourns.

CARRIED


S. Hagman, Chair
June 22, 2022
Date


Tania Caputo, Secretary
June 22, 2022
Date