



**Board of Health Meeting**

**MINUTES**

**February 8, 2023 at 5:00 pm**

**SSM Algoma Community Room | Videoconference**

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**BOARD MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Sally Hagman - Chair  
Luc Morrisette - 1st Vice Chair  
Deborah Graystone, 2nd Vice Chair  
Julila Hemphill  
Loretta O'Neill  
Matthew Shoemaker  
Sonia Tassone  
Suzanne Trivers

**APH MEMBERS**

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

**GUEST:** Jody Wildman

**REGRETS:** Liliana Bressan - Manager of Effective Public Health Practice, Tanya Storozuk - Executive Assistant

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**1.0 Meeting Called to Order - 5:21 pm**

J. Tuinema welcomed back new and returning Board of Health members.

**a. Land Acknowledgment** - J. Tuinema read the land acknowledgment and shared the process of consultation with Indigenous community partners to create a district-wide land acknowledgement, recognizing the diverse lands within Algoma and interconnectedness between them.

**b. Declaration of Conflict of Interest** - No conflicts declared.

**2.0 Election of Officers**

**a.** Appointment of Board of Health Chair for the year 2023.

J. Tuinema called for nominations,

S. Hagman put her name forward for Chair,

J. Tuinema called for any other nominations, and there being none, the nominations were closed.

**S. Hagman was acclaimed as Board of Health Chair for the year 2023.**

At this point S. Hagman assumed the position of Chair of the Board of Health, and resumed the election of officers.

**b. Appointment of Board of Health First Vice-Chair and Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee for the year 2023.**

S. Hagman called for nominations,

L. Morrisette put his name forward for 1st Vice-Chair,

S. Hagman called for any other nominations, and there being none, the nominations were closed.

**L. Morrisette was acclaimed as First Vice-Chair and Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee for the year 2023.**

**c. Appointment of Board of Health Second Vice-Chair and Chair of the Governance Committee for the year 2023.**

S. Hagman called for nominations,

D. Graystone put her name forward for 2nd Vice-Chair,

S. Hagman called for any other nominations, and there being none, the nominations were closed.

**D. Graystone was acclaimed as Second Vice-Chair and Chair of the Governance Committee for the year 2023.**

**d. Call for Committee Members for the Finance & Audit Committee and Governance Committee for the year 2023.**

**Finance and Audit Committee call for members :** L. Morrissette, S. Hagman, S. Trivers

**Governance Committee call for members:** D. Graystone, Sonia Tassone, Matthew Shoemaker, Loretta O'Neill

**e. Slate of officers and committee members.**

**RESOLUTION  
2023-01**

**Moved:** S. Trivers

**Seconded:** L. O'Neill

Be it resolved that the following is the Board of Health slate of officers and committee members for the year 2023.

<b>Board of Health Chair:</b>	Sally Hagman
<b>First Vice-Chair &amp; Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee:</b>	Luc Morrissette
<b>Second Vice-Chair &amp; Chair of the Governance Committee:</b>	Deborah Graystone
<b>Finance and Audit Committee members:</b>	Luc Morrissette, Suzanne Trivers, Sally Hagman
<b>Governance Committee members:</b>	Deborah Graystone, Sonia Tassone, Matthew Shoemaker, Loretta O'Neill

**CARRIED**

### 3.0 Signing Authority

#### RESOLUTION

2023-02

Moved: S. Trivers

Seconded: L. Morrisette

THAT By-Law 95-2 identifies that signing authorities for all accounts shall be restricted to:

- i) the Chair of the Board of Health
- ii) one other Board member, designated by Resolution
- iii) the Medical Officer of Health/Chief Executive Officer
- iv) the Director of Corporate Services

SO BE IT RESOLVED that signing authority is provided to **Deborah Graystone** as the one other Board member, designated by resolution until the next election of officers.

**CARRIED**

### 4.0 Adoption of Agenda

#### RESOLUTION

2023-03

Moved: D. Graystone

Seconded: M. Shoemaker

THAT the Board of Health agenda dated February 8, 2023 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

### 5.0 Delegations / Presentations

Not applicable.

### 6.0 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

#### RESOLUTION

2023-04

Moved: D. Graystone

Seconded: S. Hagman

THAT the Board of Health minutes dated October 26, 2022 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

### 7.0 Business Arising from Minutes

Not applicable.

### 8.0 Reports to the Board

#### a. Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer Reports

##### i. MOH Report - January 2023

J. Tuinema spoke about the transition from pandemic response as the organization re-engages our strategic plan and builds on our strengths to meet our vision of "Health for All. Together". Pandemic recovery is still in progress and an in-depth population health assessment of our communities is underway to examine where best to focus and prioritize our work. While that research is underway, there are several significant issues at hand. The opioid crisis is a devastating problem across the country. In the North, there are higher rates of poor outcomes and death from opioids that will take significant community collaboration to address. The pandemic continues, and with many measures lifted, we see familiar respiratory issues re-emerge, causing a healthcare burden in the community. The full MOH Report includes a highlight on the role of Health Promotion Specialists and their role in supporting Public Health programs.

#### RESOLUTION

2023-05

Moved: J. Hemphill

Seconded: L. Morrisette

THAT the report of the Medical Officer of Health and CEO for January 2023 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**9.0 New Business/General Business**

Not applicable.

**10.0 Correspondence**

Not applicable.

**11.0 Items for Information**

a. **alPHa Winter Symposium** - S. Hagman will attend.

b. **alPHa Public Health Matters Infographic - Public Health Fall Vaccine Success**

**12.0 Addendum**

Not applicable.

**13.0 In-Camera - 6:52 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**

**2023-06**

**Moved:** D. Graystone

**Seconded:** S. Trivers

THAT the Board of Health go in-camera.

**CARRIED**

**14.0 Open Meeting**

Resolutions resulting from in camera meeting.

**15.0 Announcements / Next Committee Meetings:**

**Finance & Audit Committee**

Wednesday, February 15, 2023 @ 5:00 pm

Video Conference | SSM Algoma Community Room

**Board of Health Meeting**

Wednesday, February 22, 2023 @ 5:00 pm

Video Conference | SSM Algoma Community Room

**Finance & Audit Committee**

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 @ 5:00 pm

Video Conference | SSM Algoma Community Room

**Governance Committee**

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 @ 5:00 pm

Video Conference | SSM Algoma Community Room

**16.0 Evaluation**

The secretary will send a meeting evaluation after the Feb 22, 2023 BOH meeting.

**17.0 Adjournment - 6:00 pm**

**RESOLUTION**

**2023-10**

**Moved:** L. Morrisette

**Seconded:** S. Trivers

THAT the Board of Health meeting adjourns.

**CARRIED**



Sally Hagman, BOH Chair

February 22, 2023

Date



Tania Caputo, BOH Secretary

February 22, 2023

Date