



Board of Health Minutes

Date: Friday, July 26, 2024
Location: Electronic via Microsoft Teams & GBPH Boardroom (101 17th Street East, Owen Sound ON N4K 0A5)
Time: 10:00 AM – 11:50 AM

Members Present:

Ms. Sue Carleton	Mr. Luke Charbonneau
Ms. Sue Paterson	Mr. Nick Saunders
Mr. Chad Richards	Ms. Helen-Claire Tingling
Mr. Kenneth Craig	Mr. Chris Peabody
Ms. Beverly Wilkins	Mr. Kevin Eccles
Mr. Brian Milne	

Regrets:

Also Present: Dr. Ian Arra, Kim Rutherford & Denis Langlois

Special Guests:

Recording Secretary: Ms. Hannah Mosiondz

1.0 Call to Order

Chair Sue Carleton called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

Carried.

2.0 Roll Call

The roll call was called by the recording secretary. Quorum was declared.

Carried.

The Communications Coordinator joined the meeting at 10:00AM.

3.0 Amendments to Agenda

None.

4.0 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Kevin Eccles

Seconded by: Beverly Wilkins

“THAT, the agenda for July 26, 2024, be approved as presented.”

Carried.

5.0 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

No disclosures of pecuniary interest were declared at this time.

6.0 Adoption of Minutes

6.1 Friday, June 28, 2024

6.2 Monday, July 8, 2024

Moved by: Chris Peabody

Seconded by: Kenneth Craig

“THAT, the minutes of the Board of Health Meeting held on Friday June 28, 2024, and Monday July 8, 2024, be approved as presented.”

Carried.

7.0 Correspondence and Media Releases

7.1 Physical Literacy for Communities: A Public Health Approach

7.2 ON Workers Resolution

The Medical Officer of Health provided a summary of the correspondence. The Board was concerned about the political language used in the ON Workers Resolution letter by the Municipality of Kincardine.

Moved by: Chris Peabody

Seconded by: Beverly Wilkins

“THAT, the Board of Health drafts its own endorsement letter for the Municipality of Kincardine in response to the ON Workers Resolution Letter, and THAT, the Board of Health endorses the Physical Literacy for Communities: A Public Health Approach letter”.

Carried.

7.3 Media Releases

7.3.1 GBPH notified of 2 opioid overdoses, including one fatal overdose, over the past 2 days

7.3.2 GBPH notified of one fatal, three non-fatal drug poisonings over the past 5 days

7.3.3 Public Assistance Request – Dog Bite – Saugeen Shores

The Communications Co-ordinator provided a summary of the Media Releases.

Moved by: Kevin Eccles

Seconded by: Sue Paterson

“THAT, the Board of Health receive the Media Releases for information on July 26, 2024.”

Carried.

The Communications Co-ordinator left the meeting at 10:20am.

8.0 Medical Officer of Health Update

8.1 Opioid Situation Grey Bruce (STANDING ITEM) – SOS data report

The Medical Officer of Health provided an update on the Opioid Situation for Grey Bruce with a data report from Supportive Outreach Services (SOS).

Luke Charbonneau joined the meeting at 10:23AM.

8.2 Strengthening Public Health (STANDING ITEM)

The Medical Officer of Health provided a verbal update regarding the Ministry of Health's strengthening public health initiative. The review of the Ontario Public Health Standards is ongoing.

8.3 Sexual Health | Program Report

The Medical Officer of Health provided a written report update regarding Syphilis.

8.4 Health Promotion | Program Report

The Medical Officer of Health provided a written report update on initiatives led by the Health Promotion team.

8.5 Matrix Project Update | Program Report

The Medical Officer of Health provided a written update regarding the Organizational Strategic Matrix Projects.

8.6 GBPH Client Satisfaction Survey Highlights January – June 2024

The Medical Officer of Health provided a written summary of the client satisfaction survey from January to June 2024.

8.7 Arrangement for Temporary Time-limited MOH Coverage During Parental Leave

The Medical Officer of Health (MOH) gave a verbal update on the arrangement for temporary time-limited MOH coverage during his parental leave. As per Board policies the Board of Health needs a motion to appoint the Acting MOH for this coverage.

Moved by: Helen Claire Tingling

Seconded by: Beverly Wilkins

“THAT, the Board of Health receive the Medical Officer of Health updates for information, and THAT, the Board approves the motion to appoint an acting MOH to provide temporary time-limited MOH coverage during parental leave”.

Carried.

9.0 Corporate Services

9.1 Financial Report | May 2024

9.2 Banking Resolution

The Senior Manager of Finance provided an update on the May 2024 Financial Report and proposed to temporarily add the Senior Public Health Manager position to the list of authorized positions to the banking resolution for the time of the Medical Officer of Health's parental leave.

Moved by: Chad Richards

Seconded by: Luke Charbonneau

“THAT, the Board of Health receive the Financial Report for May 2024 for information, and THAT, the banking resolution be amended by the Board of

Health to temporarily add the Senior Public Health Manager position to the list of authorized positions.”

Carried.

10.0 Other Business

10.1 Update of V-513 Closed Session Board Policy – Audio Recording of Closed Session

The Medical Officer of Health (MOH) provided an update on V-513 Closed Session Board Policy – Audio Recording of Closed Sessions. The Ombudsman recommends recording audio in both open and closed session as best practice and clarified that the office does not provide policy review services. The Grey Bruce Public Health policy for confidentiality ensures the security of all records - physical and digital, removable media and off-site data - therefore acting as a reference policy for audio recording closed sessions. The MOH recommends proceeding with audio recording closed sessions.

The Board of Health approved the Closed Session Board Policy V-513 – Audio Recording of Closed Session. The Board also directed the Executive Committee to explore further improvement to the Confidentiality policy as needed.

10.2 Land Acknowledgement and Participation in Indigenous Communities Events

The Medical Officer of Health (MOH) gave a verbal proposal to work with local Indigenous Communities to create a land acknowledgement to recognize the traditional lands which we meet on and suggested the Board participate in local Indigenous Community Events as a step towards reconciliation.

10.3 Postponing the Review of the Results from the Board Self-Evaluation Survey

A discussion took place regarding the Executive Committee’s decision to postpone the Board-self evaluation. At the June 28th, 2024, meeting the Board had directed the Executive Committee to finalize the evaluation, as per Board policies and the Ontario Public Health Standards requirements. The Committee is not an upper tier to the Board and cannot override its decision.

A vote took place and the decision to postpone the Board evaluation passed.

Moved by: Chris Peabody

Seconded by: Helen-Claire Tingling

“THAT, the Board of Health receives these updates for information and use the recommendation going forward to audio record closed sessions, collaborate with the Indigenous Communities to develop and adopt a Land Acknowledgement and participate in Community Events as steps to the reconciliation journey”.

Moved by: Kenneth Craig

Seconded by: Beverly Wilkins

“THAT, the Board of Health directs the Executive Committee to review and explore further improvement to Confidentiality policy as needed”.

Moved by: Kenneth Craig

Seconded by: Chris Peabody

“THAT, the Board of Health receives and accepts the action from the Executive Committee to delay the Board Self-Evaluation until other reports are completed”.

Kevin Eccles left the meeting at 11:25AM.

Carried.

11.0 In-Camera

Moved by: Chris Peabody

Seconded by: Sue Paterson

“THAT, the Board of Health now go into closed session at 11:31am to discuss the adoption of in-camera minutes, third-party information supplied in confidence to the Municipality, which, if disclosed, could significantly prejudice a competitive position or interfere with negotiations, and advice subject to solicitor – client privilege, and FURTHER THAT, Dr. Arra, Ms. Kim Rutherford and Ms. Hannah Mosiondz, shall remain present.”

Carried.

The Board returned to open session at 11:49am, with Chair Carleton presiding. Chair Carleton declared only the items stated on the agenda to move into closed session were discussed, and that the board provided direction to the Chair, the Executive Committee, and staff.

12.0 Adjournment

Moved by: Chris Peabody

Seconded by: Sue Paterson

“THAT, the Board of Health meeting be adjourned”.

Carried.

Chair Carleton declared the Board of Health meeting adjourned at 11:50am, Friday July 26, 2024.

Next Meeting:

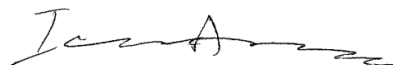
Friday, August 23, 10:00 AM

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Sue Carleton
Chairperson

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Dr. Ian Arra
Medical Officer of Health

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Hannah Mosiondz
Recording Secretary