

Minutes of the Board of Health Regular Meeting
Thursday, April 19, 2018
Videoconference
Board Room/Room C
458 Laurier Blvd./25 Johnston Street
Brockville/Smiths Falls
4:00 p.m. – 5:42 p.m.

Present:

Anne Warren, Chair	Harsh Patel
Aubrey Churchill	Cheryl Russell-Julien
William Fayle	Sherryl Smith
Joe Gallipeau	Toni Surko
Teresa Jansman	Regrets: Doug Malanka, David LeSueur
Candace Kaine	Paula Stewart, Medical Officer of Health
David Nash	Heather Bruce, Executive Assistant

Jackie Empey, Business Manager - QCIS	Jane Lyster, Director - CHP
Shani Gates, Director - QCIS	Joan Mays, Manager - CHP
Rebecca Kavanagh, Manager - HLD	
Katie Jackson, Manager - QCIS	J. Cunningham, C. Griffith, R. Shams

1. Call to Order

Anne Warren called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda items were reviewed.

Motion: That the agenda of the April 19, 2018 Regular Meeting be approved as circulated. Motion Carried.

3. Conflict of Interest Declaration

None declared.

4. Consent Agenda

Motion: The following items on the consent agenda be approved as circulated:

- 4.1. Approval of the Minutes from the Board of Health Regular Meeting held on February 15, 2018
- 4.2. Multi-Workplace Joint Health & Safety Committee Annual Report 2017

4.3. General Correspondence

- 4.3.1. Motion from City of Brockville regarding Levy Apportionment
- 4.3.2. Letter from Dr. Eric Hoskins regarding the Smoke Free Ontario Modernization
- 4.3.3. Letter from Dr. Eric Hoskins regarding the Minster's Expert Panel on Public Health
- 4.4. Duty of Care Report
- 4.5. Governance and Quality Assurance Committee Report Motion Carried.

5. Presentation

5.1. Immunization of School Pupils Act

Cindy Griffith gave an update on the Immunization of School Pupils Act advising of recent changes and new strategies put in place to support these changes. (posted)Students attending school are required to have up to date immunizations. If the students' immunizations are not up to date parents are given two opportunities to respond to the Health Unit request and then the school is notified to suspend the student. A suspension notice is in place for 20 days and can be extended. The law requires that if parents don't want their children to be immunized they have to advise the Health Unit who in turn outlines options available for parents. Parents are now required to attend an education session at the Health Unit before filling out a conscience or religious belief exemption form to ensure they are well informed. These education sessions began in February 2018.

6. New Business:

6.1 Governance and Quality Assurance Committee Report

Cheryl Russell-Julien reviewed the Governance and Quality Assurance Committee Report. Currently there is not enough money in the Board budget to allow up to two members to attend each alPHa meetings. The recommendation is to increase the budget to \$5,000 to allow for this.

6.1.1. Budget for Attendance at alPHa Meetings

Motion: That the Board of Health increase the amount in the board meeting and conference line from \$3,000 to \$5,000.

Motion Carried.

6.1.2. May Board of Health Meeting and alPHa Fitness Challenge

Anne Warren encouraged all members to participate in the alPHa Fitness Challenge.

Motion: That the Board of Health meet in May 2018 to review the current mission, vision and values, discuss population health data related to the Strategic Plan, and participate in the alPHa Activity Challenge.

Motion Carried.

6.1.3. LGL Indigenous Population

The briefing not was reviewed.

6.1.3.1. LGLDHU Indigenous Population Health Profile

John Cunningham, epidemiologist, gave a power point presentation (posted) on the available data from the Census and the Canadian Community Health Survey on the Indigenous population in Leeds, Grenville, Lanark.

6.1.3.2. Traditional Land Acknowledgement Statement

Motion: That the Board of Health use the following land acknowledgement statement at the start of each Board meeting: Brockville and Smiths Falls (when using videoconferencing) is/are located on the traditional territory of Indigenous peoples dating back countless generations. We would like to show our respect for their contributions and recognize the role of treaty making in what is now Ontario. Hundreds of years after the first treaties were signed, they are still relevant today.

Motion Carried.

6.2 Update from alPHa Conference

William Fayle and Candace Kaine attended the conference in February. Candace Kaine reported on the morning session held on February 23, 2018 advising that the two day conference from June 10-12 was discussed. There was a panel discussion regarding the 2018 provincial election and local public health issues and slides were sent to all health units. There was an update from the MOHLTC and Dr. David Williams with a focus on the opioid crisis.

William Fayle gave an update on the afternoon session. (posted)The council for alPHa, lawyer James Louwry, gave an update on the new OPHS and electronic meetings.

Anne Warren thanked both members for their report. She advised that in June 2017 Linda Stewart, Executive Director of alPHa, wrote to us about electronic meetings and advised that the Board of Health can determine how to hold electronic meetings based on their procedural bylaws. Anne Warren suggested that this be taken to the next Governance and Quality Assurance Committee meeting for a more finite determination.

ACTION: Electronic meetings will be added to the next Governance and Quality Assurance Committee meeting for further discussion.

6.3 Strategic Plan Update

Anne Warren advised that the first meeting of the Strategic Planning Steering Committee will be held on April 25, 2018 in Smiths Falls. She reviewed the membership advising that she and Doug Malanka will act as Co-Chairs so that if one or the other cannot attend, the other would co-chair the meeting. Teresa Jansman and Sherryl Smith sit on this committee as well. Reports will be brought back to the Board on a regular basis.

6.4 LGLDHU Website: Board of Health Section

All resource materials will be located on the website to make it easier for members to review documents.

7. Advocacy:

7.1 alPHa Annual Meeting Resolution – Levy Apportionment Method

alPHa asks every year at the Annual Meeting if Board's want to bring resolutions forward and the health unit that sponsors the motion reports on it. We have worked hard to try to get the HPPA changed to not use MPAC data as the default option to apportion the levy. Letters have been written to both the Minister and ADM with no response.

Motion: That the Board of Health approve the Apportionment of Municipal Levy resolution to be presented at the alPHa June Annual Meeting.

Motion Carried.

7.2 Reduction of Smoking Depictions in Movies

Rebecca Shams, Health Promoter, works with the youth in our community and is speaking on behalf of the youth she works with. She advised that 86% of youth rated movies in Ontario contain on screen tobacco use and there is evidence that seeing smoking on screen leads to smoking. We are asking that this endorsement be signed by the Board of Health. MPP Steve Clark has read the petition at Queens Park in the fall and we are close to action being taken on this.

Motion: That the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Board of Health endorses the Ontario Coalition for Smoke-Free Movies' recommended action on smoking in movies.

- (1) Rate new movies with smoking "18A" in Ontario, with the sole exceptions being when the tobacco presentation clearly and unambiguously reflects the dangers and consequences of tobacco use or is necessary to represent smoking of a real historical figure.
- (2) Require producers to certify on-screen that no one involved in the production of the movie received anything of value in consideration for using or displaying tobacco.
- (3) Require strong anti-smoking ads to be shown before any movie with tobacco use at the distributor's expense, regardless of rating and distribution channel.
- (4) Require producers to stop identifying tobacco brands.
- (5) Require that films with tobacco imagery assigned a G, PG, or 14A rating be ineligible for federal and provincial film subsidies.

Motion Carried.

8. MOH Verbal

See Appendix #1. It is important to find out how the 2% increase from the MOHLTC applies to us. The Gananoque Cannabis Day was discussed.

ACTION: P. Stewart will circulate speeches from the Cannabis Day.

The question was raised if the Health Unit has provided information to the public on the risks associated with using cannabis. P. Stewart has done interviews on the concerns around cannabis use and more will be done after the province decides what they will be doing and what local public health will do.

Motion: That the Board of Health Regular Meeting adjourn. Motion Carried.

A five minute break was taken.

9. In-camera Items

The motion to move in-camera was read at 5:35 p.m.

Motion: That this Board move into a closed session of the Board of Health due to the following: personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

Motion Carried.

The rise and report was read at 5:40 p.m.

Motion: That this closed session rise and report.

Motion Carried.

9.1. Human Resources

A salary increase for non-union staff was discussed.

10. Report from In-camera

Motion: That the Board approve that all non-union staff be given a 2018 annual salary increase of 1.5%, effective April 1, 2018.

Motion Carried

12. Adjournment

H. Bruce, Executive Assistant

11. Time, Date and Location of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2018. The alPHa Fitness Challenge will be done first and then a short meeting will be held.

Date

Motion: That the meeting adjourn at 5:42 p.m. Motion Carried. A. Warren, Chair Date

c: Board members