



Board of Health Minutes

Date: Friday, December 20, 2019
Location: Grey Bruce Health Unit, 101 17th Street East, Owen Sound
Time: 10:02 a.m. – 11:47 a.m.
Members Present: Mitch Twolan (Chair), Alan Barfoot, Anne Eadie, Selwyn Hicks, Laurie Laporte, Brian Milne, Brian O’Leary, Sue Paterson, Chris Peabody, David Shearman
Regrets:
Also Present: Dr. Ian Arra, Drew Ferguson, Dr. Linna Li, Matt McMurdie, Susan Shular
Special Guests: Paul McQueen, Warden Grey County
Secretary: Heather Smith

1.0 Call to Order

Chair Mitch Twolan declared quorum present and called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2.0 Other

2.1 Staff Retirement Acknowledgement

The Board of Health acknowledged Karen Kerker, Public Health Nurse for 30 years of dedicated service.

3.0 Elections

3.1 Board of Health Chair

Dr. Arra invited nominations for Chair of the Board of Health for 2020.

Sue Paterson nominated Board of Health member Mitch Twolan as Chair of the Board of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit for 2020.

Mitch Twolan, as a representative of Bruce County, accepted the nomination for Chair.

Nominations closed.

Moved by: Sue Paterson

Seconded by: Brian O’Leary

“THAT, the Board of Health acclaim Mitch Twolan as Chair of the Board of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit for 2020.”

Carried

Mitch Twolan assumed Chair.

3.2 Board of Health Vice-Chair

Mitch Twolan invited nominations for Vice-Chair of the Board of Health for 2020. Selwyn Hicks nominated Board of Health member Sue Paterson as Vice-Chair of the Board of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit for 2020.

Sue Paterson, as a representative of Grey County, accepted the nomination of Vice-Chair.

Nominations closed.

Moved by: Selwyn Hicks

Seconded by: Mitch Twolan

“THAT, the Board of Health acclaim Sue Paterson as Vice-Chair of the Board of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit for 2020.”

Carried

Sue Paterson noted that since Bruce County will hold the chair position for 2 years, then Grey County will hold the chair position for the following two years, in accordance with Board Policy to alternate Board Chair terms.

4.0 Amendments to Agenda

Add Ministry Consultation under Other is item 10.4

5.0 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Sue Paterson

Seconded by: Brian O’Leary

“THAT, the agenda for Friday, December 20, 2019, be approved as amended.”

Carried

6.0 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared at this time.

7.0 Adoption of Minutes

7.1 Friday, November 22, 2019

Moved by: Anne Eadie

Seconded by: Brian Milne

“THAT, the minutes of Friday, November 22, 2019 be approved as presented.”

Carried

8.0 December Correspondence

- 8.1 City of Hamilton Re. Opposition to Co-Payment for Dentures under the New Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program
- 8.2 City of Hamilton Re. Support for a Seamless Provincial Immunization Registry
- 8.3 City of Hamilton Re. Request for Weekly Data Reports on Vaping Cases
- 8.4 Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit Re. Vaping Regulations
- 8.5 Middlesex-London Health Unit Re. Collaborative Action to Address Vaping Concerns

- 8.6 Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit Re. Vapour Product Use Among Youth
- 8.7 Public Health Sudbury & Districts Re. E-Cigarette and Aerosolized Product Prevention and Cessation
- 8.8 City of Hamilton Re. Endorsement of Regional Municipality of Durham's Motion Re: Opioid Overdose Emergency Resolution
- 8.9 City of Hamilton Re. Endorsement of Comprehensive Measures to Address the Rise of Vaping in Canada
- 8.10 City of Hamilton Re. Endorsement of Correspondence re: Measures to Address the Rise of Vaping in Ontario
- 8.11 Public Health Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Re. Schedule 16 of Proposed Bill 132 Respecting the *Aggregate Resources Act*

Moved by: David Shearman

Seconded by: Anne Eadie

"THAT, the Board of Health endorse the correspondence from the City of Hamilton regarding Opposition to Co-Payment for Dentures under the New Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program."

Not Carried
Motion Defeated

Moved by: Sue Paterson

Seconded by: Laurie Laporte

"THAT, the Board of Health receives the December correspondence as presented."

Carried

9.0 Reports

9.1 December Reports

9.1.1 Program Report – December

9.2 News Releases

9.2.1 Start Your Quit Story

9.2.2 Flu Arrives in Grey Bruce

9.2.3 Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program in Grey Bruce

9.2.4 Public Assistance Request Dog Bite – Durham

9.2.5 Health Unit disavows Motherisk website

9.2.6 Reason for getting the flu shot hits close to home

Moved by: Brian Milne

Seconded by: Brian O'Leary

"THAT, the Board of Health receives the December Program Report as presented."

Carried

Kim Rutherford joined the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

10.0 Corporate Services

10.1 Financial Report – November

Kim Rutherford presented the November Financial Report.

Moved by: Laurie Laporte

Seconded by: Sue Paterson

“THAT, the Board of Health receive the November Financial Reports as presented.”

Carried

Kim Rutherford left the meeting at 10:29 a.m.

11.0 Other

11.1 2020 Board of Health Meeting Dates

The 2020 meeting dates were presented as information and invites will be sent to all Board Members.

11.2 Motherisk Report

The Board was advised of the risk communication undertaken as the result of a cannabis related third party taking over the Motherisk.org website upon its abandonment by the Hospital for Sick Children. As this site had previously been used as a resource, an extensive campaign with clients, partners and public was launched to disassociate GBHU from the new website.

11.3 Ministry Consultation

The Ministry has scheduled a Public Health Modernization Consultation Session for January 31, 2020. The Chair asked that any members interested and available to attend send Heather an email. Further information will be shared once available.

11.4 Notice of Motion

Chris Peabody re-introduced notice of motion regarding *Smoke Free Ontario Act, 2017* for the January meeting.

12.0 In-Camera Session

12.1 Labour Relations and Employee Negotiations (3 items)

12.2 Personal Matters about an Identifiable Individual (3 items)

Moved by: Laurie Laporte

Seconded by: Selwyn Hicks

“THAT the Board of Health does now go into closed session at 10:38 a.m. to discuss three items under labour relations and employee negotiations and three items under personal matters about an identifiable individual and FURTHER THAT, all staff remain present.”

Carried

The Board returned to open session at 11:46 a.m. with Chair Twolan presiding. Chair Twolan confirmed that only the items stated in the resolution to move into closed session were discussed.

Moved by: Sue Paterson

Seconded by: Laurie Laporte

“THAT, the Board of Health approve a wage bonus paid out in 2019 of 1% for all non-union staff.”

Moved by: Brian Milne

Seconded by: Laurie Laporte

“THAT the Board of Health approve the strategic plan as discussed in-camera.”

13.0 Adjournment

By motion of Brian O’Leary and Anne Eadie, the Board of Health meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Next Meeting:

Friday, January 24, 2020, 10:00 a.m.
Grey Bruce Health Unit, Owen Sound

X

Mitch Twolan
Chairperson

X

Dr. Ian Arra
Medical Officer of Health

X

Heather Smith
Recording Secretary