

**Board of Health  
Minutes**

**May 15, 2019  
9:15 am - 12:00 pm  
Barrie Office**

Board Members Present: T. Ambeau, R. Cipolla, A. Dubeau, P. Koetsier, B.J. McCabe , R. Milne,  
P. Preager

Regrets: S. Cairns, L. Dollin, G. Harvey, M. McCann, F. Pinto

Staff Present: C. Gardner, K. Ellis-Scharfenberg

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:15am.

1.1 Past Board Member Recognition:

- Scott Warnock
- Barry Ward
- Terry Pilger
- Peter Willmott
- Steve Kinsella
- Brian Saunderson
- Sergio Morales

A. Dubeau recognized the Board of Health members for their contributions.

1.2 Welcome to Elspeth (Pepi) McTavish, Public Health and Preventative  
Medicine Resident

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

**Motion 2.0**

**MOVED BY** R. Cipolla

**SECONDED BY** T. Ambeau

THAT the Board of Health approve the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

**4. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

4.1 Approval of Minutes from April 17, 2019.

**Motion 4.1**

**MOVED BY** T. Ambeau

**SECONDED BY** R. Cipolla

THAT the Board of Health approve the minutes from the April 17, 2019 Board of Health meeting.

**CARRIED**

**5. Business Arising**

5.1 Mental Health Promotion Strategy Development. Briefing Note. C. Shoreman, C. Thomson and N. Wachowiak presenting.

C. Shoreman presented the Mental Health Promotion (MHP) Strategy which was identified as a requirement within the Ontario Public Health Standards.

An MHP Strategy Working Group was created to spearhead the development of an MHP Strategy which has now been completed.

A situational assessment was undertaken which consisted of 4 components:

1. Review of Health Status Data
2. Internal Assessment (management survey)
3. External Assessment (survey of key external stakeholders)
4. Literature Review

Board members reviewed the report including the strategic themes, goals and intended outcomes.

The next step in the process will be the creation of an MHP Steering Committee, development of a work plan and the implementation of the Strategy.

**Motion 5.1**

**MOVED BY** P. Koetsier

**SECONDED BY** BJ. McCabe

THAT the Board of Health receive this briefing note and the SMDHU Mental Health Promotion Strategy Report for information.

**CARRIED**

5.2 Supervised Consumption Site Update. Briefing Note. L. Simon, C. Shoreman, J. Greco and M. Brown presenting.

L. Simon provided an update of the Supervised Consumption Site (SCS) application process which will be submitted to both the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and Health Canada.

In collaboration with the Gilbert Centre and the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA), SMDHU has conducted consultations, secured a location for the proposed SCS and are completing the required applications. The site selection has been identified as 90 Mulcaster Street which is owned by CMHA and meets the criteria identified in the SCS application.

L. Simon responded to Board member inquiries related to the mitigation strategies planned for the SCS.

Board members requested information in regards to the budget. It was noted that funding would be provided by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

L. Simon discussed the requirements of tracking, measuring and reporting the outcomes of the SCS once operational. The MOHLTC has specific requirements which the Gilbert Centre will manage.

Board members indicated their support to attend the Barrie City Council meetings to provide support for SMDHU staff.

**Motion 5.2**

**MOVED BY** R. Cipolla

**SECONDED BY** T. Ambeau

THAT the Board of Health receive this briefing note as information.

AND FURTHERMORE IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Board of Health endorse the proposed Supervised Consumption Site application for Barrie with a letter of support to the Simcoe Muskoka Opioid Strategy (SMOS).

**CARRIED**

**6. New Business**

6.1 2019/2020 Strategic Transition Plan. Briefing Note. C. Gardner and N. Riewe presenting.

C. Gardner presented the updated strategic plan which has been redrafted from a multi-year plan to a one year plan as it will not be required past

April 1, 2020 due to the 2019 provincial budget. This revision will position SMDHU to manage the impacts of the restructuring and transition into new public health entities.

Board members reviewed the revised goals, objectives and indicators. A communication will be distributed to stakeholders advising of the new public health transition plan.

**Motion 6.1**

**MOVED BY** T. Ambeau

**SECONDED BY** P. Preager

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Board of Health receive and approve the 2019/2020 Strategic Transition Plan (in Appendix A) as a replacement for the 2019 – 2022 SMDHU Strategic Plan (and the 2019 Strategic Plan Implementation report).

**CARRIED**

**7. In Camera**

7.1 Approval of Minutes

7.2 HR Issue

7.3 Finance Issue

7.4 HR Issue

7.5 HR Issue

**Motion 7.0**

**MOVED BY** P. Preager

**SECONDED BY** R. Cipolla

THAT the Board of Health go in camera to approve the April 17, 2019 in camera minutes and discuss three HR issues and one Finance issue.

**CARRIED**

**Motion 7.0.1**

**MOVED BY** R. Cipolla

**SECONDED BY** BJ. McCabe

THAT the Board of Health come out of in camera and report.

**CARRIED**

**Motion 1.2.2**

**MOVED BY T. Ambeau**

**SECONDED BY BJ. McCabe**

THAT the Board of Health approve the updated SMDHU organizational chart (Appendix A) in response to the anticipated transition to new regional public health entities on April 1, 2020.

**CARRIED**

**Motion 1.2.2**

**MOVED BY T. Ambeau**

**SECONDED BY P. Preager**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Board of Health communicate with the Ontario Minister of Health, recommending that the full territory of the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit remain intact and join with York Region to form a new regional public health entity on April 1, 2020;

AND FURTHERMORE THAT the municipalities, the MPPs and Local Health Integration Networks of Simcoe Muskoka, as well as the Boards of Health for York Region, Sudbury, North Bay, Parry Sound, Algoma, Porcupine, Timiskaming, and Renfrew, the Association of Local Public Health Agency and the Chief Medical Officer of Health receive a copy of this communication.

**CARRIED**

**8. Advocacy**

8.1 2019 aPHa Resolutions. Briefing Note. C. Gardner presenting.

C. Gardner presented the 2019 aPHa resolutions and reviewed with Board members.

Board and staff members attending the aPHa Annual General Meeting on June 10th and 11th will be voting on the resolutions.

**Motion 8.1**

**MOVED BY P. Koetsier**

**SECONDED BY BJ. McCabe**

THAT the Board of Health receive this briefing note and the 2019 aPHa Resolutions (in Appendix A) as information.

**CARRIED**

## **9. Items of Education**

- 9.1 June 9, 10 & 11, 2019 – Moving Forward with Public Health - Annual General Meeting & Conference, Kingston, Ontario. Co-hosted with KFL&A Public Health.
- 9.2 New Board of Health Orientation Days, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit, 15 Sperling Drive, Mariposa Room (lunch provided).
- Today's Session: Wednesday, May 15, 12:00pm 1:00pm, Human Resources and Infrastructure - B. Parker, Director
  - Next Session: Wednesday, June 19, 12:00pm – 1:00pm, Program Foundations and Finance – K. Ellis-Scharfenberg, Acting Director
- 9.3 Save The Date – 2019 Staff Education Days: October 28 & 29, 2019 at Geneva Park, Orillia. (Each staff member only attends one of the two days).

## **10. Items of Information**

- 10.1 Letter from A. Dubeau, Board Chair, and C. Gardner, Medical Officer of Health, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit to the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care re the Public Health System and the 2019 Ontario Provincial Budget
- 10.2 Letter from Anita Dubeau, Board Chair, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit Board of Health to the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care re Alcohol Modernization in Ontario
- 10.3 Letter from Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to Anita Dubeau, Board Chair for the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit re SMDHU Funding Letter
- 10.4 Simcoe Muskoka Opioid Strategy. 2018 Status Update
- 10.5 Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit Public Health Guidance for Municipalities on the Implementation of Legalization of Cannabis. April 18, 2019.
- 10.6 Letter from Dr. David Williams, Chief Medical Officer of Health, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care re Public Health Modernization
- 10.7 Letter from Loretta, Ryan Executive Director, Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) re Public Health System Modernization alPHa Activities Update

- 10.8 Letter from Loretta Ryan, Executive Director, aPHa re Impact of Reducing Investments in Public Health aPHa Position Statement
- 10.9 Letter from Denis Doyle, Chair for the Board of Health, KFL&A Public Health to the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care and the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing re Ontario's local Public Health system
- 10.10 Letter from Kathy Vassilakos, Chair, Board of Health for the Perth District Health Unit to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario and the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care re 2019 Ontario Budget
- 10.11 Letter from Doug Malanka, Board Chair for the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit to the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care and the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing re 2019 Ontario Budget
- 10.12 Letter from Cammie Jaquays, Board Chair for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario and the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care re 2019 Ontario Budget
- 10.13 Letter from Dr. Lynn Noseworthy, Medical Officer of Health for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit to Boards of Health re 2019 Ontario Budget
- 10.14 Letter from Janice Visneskie Moore, Board Chair for the Renfrew County and District Health Unit to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario and the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care re 2019 Ontario Budget
- 10.15 Letter from Mitch Twolan, Board Chair for the Grey Bruce Health Unit to the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care re Support for aPHa report: Improving and Maintaining the Health of the People
- 10.16 Letter from John Cannan, President of Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors to the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care re Modernizing Ontario's Public Health
- 10.17 Open letter from Richard Musto, Chair of the Canadian Public Health Association to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario and the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care re 2019 Ontario Budget

- 10.18 Letter from Trudy Sachowski, Chair of alPHa Board of Health Section to Board of Health Chairs re Teleconference regarding the 2019 Ontario Budget
- 10.19 alPHa Information Break
- 10.20 Letter from Jamie McGarvey, President, Association of Municipalities of Ontario to Boards of Health and Medical Officers of Health re AMO President Statement re Ontario's Supply of Affordable Housing
- 10.21 Letter from Cammie Jaquays, Board Chair for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario re Support for Bill 60, Establishing a Social Assistance Research Commission
- 10.22 Letter from Denis Doyle, Board Chair of the KFL&A Public Health to the Honourable Lisa MacLeod, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services re Endorsement of the Ontario Dietitians in Public Health letter on Bill 60
- 10.23 Letter from Mitch Twolan, Board Chair for the Grey Bruce Health Unit to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care and the Honourable Lisa MacLeod, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services re Support for Bill 60
- 10.24 Letter from Councillor Kathryn Wilson, Board Chair of Peterborough Public Health to the Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care re Managed Opioid Programs
- 10.25 Letter from Denis Doyle, Board Chair of the KFL&A Public Health to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario re Minimizing harms associated with the announced expansion of the sale of beverage alcohol in Ontario
- 10.26 Letter from Councillor Kathryn Wilson, Board Chair of Peterborough Public Health to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario re Alcohol Sales in Ontario
- 10.27 Letter from Denis Doyle, Board Chair of the KFL&A Public Health to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario re Endorsement of the Children Count Task Force Recommendations
- 10.28 Letter from Rene Lapierre, Board Chair of Public Health Sudbury and Districts to Ontario Senators re Support for Bill S-228, Child Health Protection Act

10.29 Letter from Councillor Kathryn Wilson, Board Chair of Peterborough Public Health to the Senate of Canada re Bill S-228, the Child Health Protection Act

10.30 Letter from Trish Fulton, Board Chair for Middlesex-London Health Unit to Wendy Pidner, Acting Executive Director of the Ontario AIDS Network re HIV Case Management, Undetectable=Untransmittable

10.31 2018 Foundations for Health Annual Report. Sudbury and Districts Public Health

10.32 2018 Accountability Monitoring Report. Sudbury and Districts Public Health

**11. Date and Time of Next Meetings**

- June 19, 2019, Barrie Office
- September 2018, Midland Office
- October 16, 2019, Barrie Office

**12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm.

**Motion 12.1**

**MOVED BY** P. Koetsier

**SECONDED BY** BJ. McCabe

THAT the Board of Health meeting be adjourned at 12:25 pm.

**CARRIED**

**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY**

Anita Dubeau

Chair, Board of Health

**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY**

Dr. Charles Gardner

Medical Officer of Health