



MINUTES
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
October 21, 2008
Main Boardroom –
Jan Stirling Building

Present:	Liz Wyman, Chair Karen Hamre, Secretary Pawan Chugh, Trustee Leone Erasmus, Trustee Robert Sayine, Trustee Kay Lewis, CEO Ruth Robertson, Director, Community Health Les Harrison, Director, Social Programs Ewan Affleck, Medical Director Dyan Bergen, EA Tammy Brenton, EA (Recorder)	Regrets:	Kevin Mcleod, Vice- Chair Florence Catholique, Trustee Andy Wong, Trustee Paul Gard, Director, Fin. & Admin.
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1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 5:40 p.m. The Chair welcomed everyone present.

2. OPENING PRAYER/REFLECTION

3. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

3.1 Additions/Changes to the Agenda:

Suggestion to amend the agenda, to have Heather Redshaw presentation move forward.

3.2 Approval of Agenda – agenda approved.

MOTION: That the Yellowknife Health and Social Services Board accepts the Agenda as amended.

MOVED BY: Karen Hamre
SECONDED BY: Pawan Chugh

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3.3 Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None noted.

4. NOTICE OF TRUSTEE LIABILITY

Kay Lewis, CEO reported that all obligations are current and there are 3 outstanding lawsuits at this time.

5. MINUTES

5.1 Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: That the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on August 12, 2008 be approved.

MOVED BY: Leone Erasmus

SECONDED BY: Pawan Chugh

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6. BUSINESS ARISING

6.1 Policies and Procedures: Deferred until next meeting. The Department is in the process of finalizing these documents. The reference documents are hoped to be available by next meeting.

A question, as to Board Evaluation, was asked at the last meeting. An introduction was given, and an information binder, about evaluating board performances, was given to Karen Hamre and Pawan Chugh, who will make a recommendation as to the evaluation process. This will be scheduled for January's meeting.

As YHSSA moves towards accreditation, the Department of Health and Social Services has asked that a self assessment be completed by spring.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Approval of Trustee's Conference There has been a request from a trustee to reimburse the cost of sixty dollars, associated with attending a conference for Northern Social Workers. Explanation of the conference was given.

MOTION: That the sixty dollar cost of the conference be reimbursed by the Board

MOVED BY: Pawan Chugh
SECONDED BY: Karen Hamre

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7.2 Midwifery Presentation: Heather Redshaw thanked the Board for the opportunity before giving the 20 minute presentation which covered the history of the Midwifery Program, along with how it is operated in Yellowknife. At the end of the presentation, Heather asked if there were any questions.

Question: Do you think this would be applicable in the communities?

Answer: Yes, Fort Smith is proving there is a place for midwifery in the communities. Currently there are only three sites for training of this four year program in Canada. As a country, we do not have enough Midwives for the demand.

Question: Is Midwifery going to save the health care system money?

Answer: The potential is there. It is really a team approach. It is hard to pinpoint the savings, when you are looking at prevention. I believe everyone who wants a midwife should have access to one.

YHSSA is trying to move forward and have a minimum of two positions, but we were unable to do that this year, because of funding. We need a case to move forward, which is why it is important to keep track of statistics.

Heather gave a tour of the Midwifery space.

Heather left the meeting.

7.3 Board and Agency Review: A Board and Agency review has been announced in the Legislature. This is thought to help increase efficiency in Government by decreasing Board and Agencies from over 70 to seven. It will probably start in smaller areas and not implemented until 2010-2011.

A presentation on Board Reform was suggested, but consensus was not to move forward at this time.

7.4 CEO Report (Please refer to report located in Minutes binder): Concerns regarding budgetary controls were brought forward. They are in the process of being addressed, but no decisions have yet been made.

7.5 Motion for Auditors: Deferred from AGM.

MOTION: that the firm of MacKay LLP Chartered Accountants be hired as Auditor for the current fiscal year.

MOVED BY: Karen Hamre

SECONDED BY: Robert Sayine

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8. PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CLINIC

8.1 Naming Process: Pawan Chugh and Kevin McLeod will represent the Board on the Naming Committee. An expression of interest will go out to the public this week. Discussion on the advertisement ensued. It was decided to have a simple message, advertising for a volunteer to be a part of the naming process. After discussion, it was decided Frame Lake Community Health Clinic would be included in the naming process

8.2 RFP Update: The RFP for clinic site has been awarded to 4915 – 48th Street.

9. NEXT MEETING:

9.1 Discussion of program for next meeting:

In November, the agenda should include: Quarterly Financial Updates, Strategic Plan Process and Policies And Procedures. A future presentation on mental health was suggested.

A question arose as to the previous proposal of holding the Board Meeting in Lutsel K'e. As their Annual General Assembly was being held next week, the timing was not appropriate. It has been almost a year since the meeting was held in Fort Resolution; Kay will follow up with Carol Ann Chaplin, the community coordinator, with regards to setting a date.

Tammy will work on a calendar for the 2009 Board Meetings.

The next regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 25, 2008 at 5:00pm in the Jan Stirling Boardroom.

10. ADJOURNMENT @ 6:55 pm

MOTION: That this meeting of the Yellowknife Health and Social Services Board be adjourned.

MOVED BY: Karen Hamre
SECONDED BY: Leone Erasmus

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Tammy Brenton
Recording Secretary

Elizabeth Wyman
Board Chair