



District of Sault Ste. Marie

Social Services Administration Board

- Ontario Works
- Child Care
- Social Housing
- Land Ambulance

MINUTES for DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Thursday, January 17, 2008 @ 5:00 p.m.
Social Services Building II Boardroom (180 Brock Street)

PRESENT: D. Edgar P. Mick B. Hayes
 L. Tridico L. Madonna L. Turco
 S. Butland F. Fata V. Burns

STAFF: K. Streich-Poser A. McRae R. Cobean
 L. McCoy A. Nanne

REGRETS:

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner of Social Services at 5:00 p.m.

1. Election of Executive

The election results were:

Chair – P. Mick

(Moved by B. Hayes / Seconded by L. Madonna)

Vice-Chair – D. Edgar

(Moved by P. Mick / Seconded by B. Hayes)

Secretary – S. Butland

(Moved by L. Turco / Seconded by B. Hayes)

Treasurer – L. Turco

(Moved by B. Hayes / Seconded by S. Butland)

Newly elected DSSMSSAB Chair, P. Mick, presided over the meeting.

2. Minutes

Resolution #08-001

Moved By: F. Fata

Seconded By: D. Edgar

- 2.1 “Be it resolved that the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting dated December 20, 2007 be adopted as recorded.”

CARRIED

3. Accounts

Accounts NOT Previously Reviewed:

Resolution #08-002

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: L. Madonna

3.1 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB Accounts Payable dated:

November 29, 2007 in the amount of \$866,033.30
December 06, 2007 in the amount of \$1,513,090.12
December 13, 2007 in the amount of \$897,719.53
December 20, 2007 in the amount of \$158,878.56
December 28, 2007 in the amount of \$1,151.90

be passed for payment."

CARRIED

4. Executive/Finance

5. Land Ambulance

L. McCoy was available for comments or questions arising from his report.

Resolution #08-003

Moved By: B. Hayes

Seconded By: S. Butland

5.1 "Be it resolved that the December 2007 report from the Fire Chief for the Sault Ste. Marie Emergency Medical Services be accepted by the Board as information."

CARRIED

6. Ontario Works

K. Streich-Poser spoke to the Ontario Works Manager's report. She highlighted the fact that the Sault Ste. Marie Literacy Program is fourth in the Province for participation and effectiveness in helping clients find employment.

Resolution #08-004

Moved By: L. Tridico

Seconded By: F. Fata

6.1 "Be it resolved that the January 17, 2008 Report from the Ontario Works Program Manager be accepted by the Board as information."

CARRIED

K. Streich-Poser provided information to Board members regarding the Service Delivery Model Technology for the Ontario Disability Support Program Financial Reporting.

Resolution #08-005

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: B. Hayes

- 6.2 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB accept the SDMT ODSP Financial Reporting Issue information dated January 9, 2008 from the Ministry of Community and Social Services as information."

CARRIED

7. Community Child Care

F. Lake spoke to her report and gave details regarding the information provided.

Resolution #08-006

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: B. Hayes

- 7.1 "Be it resolved that the January 17, 2008 Report from the Community Child Care Manager be accepted by the Board as information."

CARRIED

Resolution #08-006 (A)

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: S. Butland

- 7.2 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB approve the Wait List Management Strategy for Child Care Service Providers as recommended by the Community Child Care Service Manager."

CARRIED

Resolution #08-006 (B)

Moved By: L. Tridico

Seconded By: F. Fata

- 7.3 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB approve the Amended Service Contract Submission for Child Care Best Start funding as recommended by the Community Child Care Service Manager."

CARRIED

8. Community Coordinator

9. Social Housing Programs

R. Cobean supplied information regarding the La Chaumiere DOORS application for funds. He also informed the Board that future funds may be required to assist with the cost of the maintenance for La Chaumiere 's water pumping system.

Resolution #08-007

Moved By: V. Burns

Seconded By: L. Madonna

- 9.1 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB support the recommendation from the Manager of Housing Programs to approve La Chaumiere Housing Co-Op to receive \$23,337.68 for the replacement of their rental hot water tanks and \$2,841.21 for the purchase of pumps to close off the original water drainage system repair from the Delivering Opportunities for Ontario Renters (DOORS) funding."

CARRIED

R. Cobean spoke to the Housing Allowance program and the number of units required to help fill this requirement. A. McRae added information regarding the accounting software and staff needed to support these programs.

Resolution #08-008

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: V. Burns

- 9.2 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB take the necessary measures to ensure that the required take-up of 40 subsidized units for the Housing Allowance program are met."

CARRIED

10. Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation

11. Commissioner of Social Services

K. Streich-Poser informed the Board in December that this report would be coming forward. She outlined the contents of her report and the role of the DSSMSSAB in the NCBS matter as well as her recommendation to continue this funding as is.

Resolution #08-009

Moved By: V. Burns

Seconded By: S. Butland

- 11.1 "Be it resolved that the National Child Benefit Supplement Reinvestment Fund Changes Report prepared by the Commissioner of Social Services be accepted by the Board as information."

CARRIED

Resolution #08-010

Moved By: S. Butland

Seconded By: B. Hayes

- 11.2 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB accept the recommendation of the Commissioner of Social Services to continue to support the NCBS / OCB fund being reinvested into Community Services and Programs and to maintain the original NCBS objectives and established processes set by the Social Services Department to review and fund these programs annually."

CARRIED

Resolution #08-011

Moved By: V. Burns

Seconded By: L. Madonna

- 11.3 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board support the resolution dated January 14, 2008 and passed by the Sault Ste. Marie City Council encouraging the Province to develop a housing strategy that promotes increased housing development in Northern Ontario Communities with low vacancy rates that can meet the affordable housing needs of low income populations."

CARRIED

12. DSSMSSAB Administration

Resolution #08-012

Moved By: L. Tridico

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 12.1 "Be it hereby resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the renewal of the Commercial Insurance Policy '08-'09 for the sum of \$12,027.96 (an increase of \$55.08 from the 2006 & 2007 rate) as provided by Patrick Policicchio from General Insurance Services Inc."

CARRIED

13. New Business

14. Old Business

15. Correspondence/Information

** See listing of Correspondence provided with meeting material **

16. Adjournment

Resolution #08-013

Moved By: S. Butland

Seconded By: V. Burns

16.1 "Be it resolved that we do now adjourn."

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.