



District of Sault Ste. Marie

Social Services Administration Board

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

Minutes

DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, June 20th, 2013 @ 5:00 p.m.

Russ Ramsay Room (Civic Centre – Foster Drive)

PRESENT:	P. Mick R. Amadio	J. Gawne J. Krmpotich	M. Bruni R. Niro
STAFF:	M. Nadeau N. Scott	P. Lebel A. Nanne	D. Krmpotich
REGRETS:	D. Edgar	B. Watkins	L. Turco

The meeting was called to order at 5:50pm by Vice-Chair P. Mick.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #13-037

Moved By: J. Gawne

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 2.1 “Be it resolved that the Agenda for the June 20, 2013 District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES / ACCOUNTS

Resolution #13-038

Moved By: R. Niro

Seconded By: R. Amadio

- 4.1 “Be it resolved that the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting dated May 16, 2013 be adopted as recorded.”

CARRIED

5. CAO / COMMISSIONER / MANAGER REPORTS

SOCIAL SERVICES

Social Services Commissioner M. Nadeau spoke to his report.

He invited Board Members to provide feedback about items they would like to see in his report or suggestions on how they would like things to be presented. M. Nadeau moved through his report department by department as it was laid out.

Ontario Works

M. Nadeau spoke with the director of Ontario Works and invited him to attend a DSSMSSAB meeting. He has agreed to come to Sault Ste. Marie in the near future.

J. Gawne inquired about the Ontario Works Employment Unit and the progress that is being made at integrating this division with the Ontario Works offices on Albert St. Meetings and strategies are underway as this process moves on for fall implementation.

A goal for Ontario Works is to create opportunities for employment with positions created specifically for these individuals. M. Nadeau is hopeful that a new service model will provide more opportunities for clients.

Child Care

The new Child Care funding model is being examined internally. Child Care has been working together with the Social Housing Programs division to share methods and procedures.

A conference call with the Ministry of Education and the Child Care Manager and Social Services Commissioner is tentatively planned. Sault Ste. Marie MPP, D. Orazetti will be consulted as well.

Housing Programs

The final CHPI report showed that all funding had been spent and a surplus was created. The funds were transferred to Ontario Works causing Social Housing Programs to believe that it was spent. This was inaccurate and has now been fixed.

Local Immigration Partnership

D. Krmpotich gave a short presentation about the Local Immigration Partnership (LIP). LIP is not a DSSMSSAB mandated program but hopes to become a regional service in the near future, encompassing the DSSMSSAB catchment. The purpose of the presentation was to discuss the inclusion the Local Services Boards in the Sault North as well as Prince Township. The submission for regional representation is due at the end of July and may be too aggressive for the outlying areas to participate at this time. The Board will receive regular updates in the interest of future participation.

Resolution #13-039

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: J. Krmpotich

- 5.1 “Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the June 20th Social Services Departmental Overview Report prepared by the Commissioner of Social Services as information

Departmental updates in the Report include:

- Ontario Works – Newly implemented supplementary policies
- Childcare – New funding model focus
- Housing Programs – CHPI expenditure update
- Local Immigration Partnership (LIP) – Regional service opportunity
- Accessibility – Legislation and funding
- Other Business – recent Senior Management team planning session.”

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6. ADMINISTRATION (ITEMS OUTSTANDING)

- Contracts with City of Sault Ste. Marie
- Goulais River LSB Meeting Regarding EMS / First Response (held May 30th)
- 211 Service

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #13-040

Moved By: J. Gawne

Seconded By: R. Niro

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

CARRIED

NEXT BOARD MEETING - Thursday, September 19, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. Biggings Room (Civic Centre)

Executive Committee / Summer Meetings

- Thursday, July 18, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. (Executive Committee only)
- Thursday, August 15, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. (Executive Committee only)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.