



# District of Sault Ste. Marie

## Social Services Administration Board

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

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (FINANCE, PERSONNEL, GOVERNANCE)

**MINUTES From Meeting Held Monday, April 26, 2004**

**Plummer Boardroom, Civic Centre 12:00 p.m. (Noon)**

**PRESENT:** D. Amaroso D. Edgar  
B. Hayes P. Mick

**CITY STAFF:** D. Overboe A. McRae J. Crawford

**DSSMSSAB STAFF:** K. Streich-Poser A. Nanne (notes)

The meeting was called to order by DSSMSSAB Chair, D. Amaroso at 12:03 p.m.

1. Review minutes from March 17, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting.

The minutes were reviewed and a correction made. In response to a question asked by B. Hayes regarding the City of Sault Ste. Marie Budget Levy and the DSSMSSAB Budget the answer was corrected to reflect the fact that the budget amounts were the same for both the City of SSM and the DSSMSSAB.

No other amendments or questions were brought forward.

The minutes were accepted.

2. Accounts Payable:

DSSMSSAB Accounts Payable:

March 18, 2004 in the amount of \$451,748.70

March 25, 2004 in the amount of \$97,671.65

April 1, 2004 in the amount of \$85,667.00

April 8, 2004 in the amount of \$2,676,072.65

A. McRae reviewed the Accounts Payable in detail with the Executive Committee. There were no questions or comments. The Accounts Payable will be brought forward at the next DSSMSSAB Board meeting on May 13, 2004.

Social Housing Corporation Accounts Payable:  
March 2004 in the amount of \$315,102.03

J. Crawford reviewed the Social Housing Accounts Payable with the committee. These will also be brought forward at the next DSSMSSAB Board meeting.

3. MCSS Financial Reports and Budgets (Andrew McRae)

- ◆ Provincial Homelessness Initiatives Fund - 2004 MCSS Budget
- ◆ Ontario Works - MCSS Final 2003 Report
- ◆ Ontario Works - 2003 Enhancement Fund Report
- ◆ TWOMO Election Expenditures - MCSS Final 2003 Report
- ◆ Community Childcare MCSS 2004 Budget Submission
- ◆ Ontario Works MCSS 2004 Budget Submission

A. McRae discussed each of the financial reports. He noted that the instructions for the submission of the Ontario Works Budget are very extensive. The committee asked if there is an avenue available for voicing their concerns regarding this issue. D. Overboe and A. McRae have discussed this matter with the Ministry of Children and Social Services in the past.

A. McRae reviewed the MCSS Budgets with the committee. The Ontario Works budget guidelines were not available online and therefore the budget submission is currently incomplete. A. McRae will re-submit the information at a later date if necessary, as information becomes available.

There were no further questions or comments.

4. 2004 Enhanced Funding Projections Report

D. Overboe reviewed the report with the Executive Committee. He outlined the history of the Ontario Works Enhanced Funding, the possibility of an accessibility fund and the fact that he would like to approach the Accessibility Committee regarding the use of these funds once guidelines have been developed. The Enhanced Funding is time limited and needs to be used before December 31, 2005.

D. Overboe discussed the website initiative spearheaded by K. Streich-Poser and L. Rosso. He believes that this will offer greater online convenience for user forms, submissions and program information. K. Streich-Poser added that the purpose of the website is to offer better customer service and to increase communication and public education.

D. Overboe will bring this report forward as information at the next Board meeting in order to progress with these initiatives.

5. In Camera Session

6. Other Business

No other business was discussed.

7. Next Meeting

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, June 24, 2004 at noon.

8. Adjournment

DSSMSSAB Chair, D. Amaroso, adjourned the meeting.