

**MINUTES OF
DISTRICT OF SAULT STE MARIE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BOARD
MEETING HELD THURSDAY, JANUARY 20TH, 2000 AT 5:00 PM.**

PRESENT: W. Pickard B. McHale D. Edgar
 D. Amaroso D. Jones S. Lepore
 C. Swift

STAFF: D.Overboe A. McRae D. Pauzé
 W. Lamming

MINISTRY: J. McKiggan

REGRETS: B. Irwin P. Vaudry

GUESTS: S. Stortini, B. Christie, M. Sanderson

1. Minutes

Moved by : D. Jones

Seconded by : C. Swift

“Be it resolved that the Minutes of the District of Sault Ste Marie Social Services Administration Board dated January 6th, 2000 be adopted as recorded.”

CARRIED

2.Accounts

Moved by: D. Edgar

Seconded by: D. Amaroso

“Be it resolved that the one time funding report received by the Financial Manager on January 20th, 2000 be accepted as information.”

CARRIED

Moved by: D. Edgar

Seconded by: D. Amaroso

“Be it resolved that the DSSAB Accounts Payable dated December 31st,1999, in the amount of \$2,693.77 be passed for payment.”

CARRIED

3. Unfinished Business

Moved by: C. Swift

Seconded by: S. Lepore

“Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste Marie Social Services Administration Board approve the traveling expenses of one of the applicants for the position of Director of Performance Standards in the amount of \$500.00.”

CARRIED

Moved by: D. Edgar

Seconded by: D. Amaroso

“Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste Marie Social Services Administration Board accepts Councillor Clayton Deans as the alternate Board Member from Prince Township.”

CARRIED

4. Additional Accounts

Moved by: S. Lepore

Seconded by: D. Edgar

“Be it resolved that the DSSAB Accounts Payable dated January 14th, 2000, in the amount of \$656,255.52 be passed for payment.”

CARRIED

Moved by: D. Amaroso

Seconded by: C. Swift

“Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the estimated 2000 budget report from the Financial Manager as information.”

CARRIED

It was noted that if there are any questions concerning the estimated 2000 budget, they will be brought up at the next Board Meeting.

5. Homeless Committee

Brian Christie and Suzanne Stortini spoke on their proposal handed out on the 1998 Homeless Funding. Some items were deleted from the original proposal as cost for those items could come from other sources.

Janet McKiggan recommended approval, as this proposal covers all issues previously identified. She also recommends that application for the Phase Two (\$60,000) be applied for as soon as possible. The question was posed as to how permanent this position was under the Homeless Committee. Suzanne stated that this would be a one-year contract position.

Madge Sanderson gave Tony Martin's regrets that he was unable to attend. She expressed their concern over the Homeless issue, feels it is a worthwhile project, and their concern that we do not lose this funding.

Moved by: C. Swift

Seconded by: D. Amaroso

"Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the proposal for the expenditure of 1998 allocation from the Provincial Homeless Fund (in the amount of \$40,000) as submitted by the Sault Ste Marie Homeless Committee, be accepted with the provision that financial information will be provided to "Ontario Works" on a timely basis."

CARRIED

A letter will be sent to MCSS requesting approval to transfer these funds.

6. Research/Policy Analyst Report

Dree gave the first part of her report on Land Ambulance. She was able to obtain the names of the areas that deliver privately and are municipally run. Volunteers are no longer being used, as the numbers are decreasing. Dan Hammond has responded to potential dates he is available to speak to the Board. It was decided to see if he was available on February 9th, or February 17th, evening meeting. Additional information was gleaned at the NOSDA Conference- presentation was given by Tim Beadman, who suggested that DSSAB's look at hiring a consultant. Legislative changes, response times, cross boundary expense, new software, and issues to consider were brought up. The Ministry of Health has several committees in place to address different issues.

An update was given on the Mission Statement, Constitution & Bylaws, & Governance Policies. The Committee met, reviewed all, and as soon as changes are made it will be brought back to the Board.

Lora Budge had called from the Housing Authority-the Housing Registrar would like to meet with a few of the Board Members. The Housing Registrar consists of the Local Housing Authority, Non-Profit Housing, and Co-Operative Housing. At the NOSDA Conference, Lynn Buckham made a presentation which is the same she will present to

the Board. The presentation was around the units, what may be done, initiatives that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing have in place, and it was noted that as of

April 2000, DSSAB's will be billed for the administration of Non-Profit Housing. Transfer is expected to be 18 months after legislation is passed.

The last issue was previously brought up at the last Board Meeting concerning KPMG. Dree had spoken with Bill Freiburger, who stated it wasn't necessary to have a new resolution until the audit was complete, which would approximately be May 2000. Andy suggested a resolution be brought at the next Board Meeting, as it would cover us if we had any questions between now and when the 1999 audit is complete.

7. Land Ambulance Committee

Brent gave the report on Land Ambulance. The Committee will meet with David Court from Algoma District Services Board to discuss mutual concerns over Land Ambulance. This Committee will draw up questions to ask at the presentation that will be made by Dan Hammond.

8. Childcare Committee

Discussion will be held over until the next Board Meeting.

9. General Discussion

There was discussion over how often the Board meets. It was agreed upon that the Board will meet the third Thursday of every month, unless additional meetings were required; at the discretion of the Chair.

Charlie suggested if something requires approval, we could utilize the fax for those decisions.

10. Information

Wayne mentioned that on the Agenda under #8, is a list of information received. If anyone would like to see the packages, they will be in the DSSAB office.

11. Adjournment

Moved by: D. Amoroso

Seconded by: D. Edgar

"Be it resolved that we do now adjourn."

CARRIED