

**MINUTES OF
DISTRICT OF SAULT STE MARIE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BOARD
MEETING HELD THURSDAY, JANUARY 6TH, 2000 AT 5:00 PM.**

PRESENT: W. Pickard B. McHale D.Edgar
 D. Amaroso B. Irwin P.Vaudry
 C. Swift S. Lepore

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

MINISTRY: J. McKiggan

REGRETS: D. Jones

The Chair for 1999 opened the meeting welcoming our newest Board Member, Sam Lepore. He then handed the meeting over to Dree to commence elections for Chairman.

1. Election of Executive Officers

The Board was given a choice of the voting procedure, either by a show of hands or by secret ballot. They chose a show of hands. Wayne was the only nomination for Chairman, nominated by Brady, seconded by Brent. David made a motion that nominations for the Chair be closed, Debbie seconded that motion. Wayne chose to stand, therefore, by acclamation will be the Chair for the year 2000.

Wayne commenced elections for Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Debbie Amaroso was the only nomination for Vice-Chair, nominated by Brady, seconded by Brent. Peter made a motion that nominations be closed, David seconded that motion. Debbie chose to stand, therefore, by acclamation will be the Vice-Chair for the year 2000.

Peter was the only nomination for Secretary, nominated by Debbie, seconded by Sam. Brady made a motion that nominations be closed, Brent seconded that motion. Peter chose to stand, therefore, by acclamation will be the Secretary for the year 2000.

Brady Irwin was the only nomination for Treasurer, nominated by Debbie, seconded by Peter. David made a motion that nominations be closed, Peter seconded that motion. Brady chose to stand, therefore, by acclamation will be Treasurer for the year 2000. It was noted that Brady will have to sign for banking authority-Under the Constitution & By-laws, #14, the Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, & Treasurer have signing authority.

2. Minutes

Moved by : B. McHale

Seconded by : C. Swift

“Be it resolved that the Minutes of the District of Sault Ste Marie Social Services Administration Board dated December 8, 1999, be adopted as recorded.”

CARRIED

3.Accounts

Moved by: D. Amaroso

Seconded by: P. Vaudry

“Be it resolved that the DSSAB Accounts Payable dated 10 December 1999 in the amount of \$267,157.27 and 17 December 1999 in the amount of \$76,500.00 be passed for payment.”

CARRIED

4.Report from the Director of Ontario Works

David explained the Service Delivery Model, Consolidated Verification Process, and statistics in his written report. He stated that his management team are working on a implementation business plan for the Consolidated Verification Process, and that it may entail additional staff. He also explained the Community Placement Initiatives. Ontario Works Core Training is being offered to those staff who have not yet attended. An invitation was extended to all Board Members to attend this training as well.

David also advised the Board that the annual membership in the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association is due, and in his report recommends that this membership be renewed and that the “named elected official” be the Chair of the Board.

The next Northern Ontario Service Delivers Association meeting will be held in Sudbury, January 16th through January 18th. This is the same meeting that is being brought up under #8 of the Agenda-Information (Information session on Land Ambulance).

Moved by: D. Amaroso

Seconded by: P.Vaudry

“Be it resolved that the report of the Director of Ontario Works presented January 6th, be accepted as information.”

CARRIED

Moved by: C. Swift
Seconded by: B. McHale

“Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste Marie Social Services Administration Board approve payment of \$3,200.00 for six OMSSA memberships for the year 2000 and the “named elected official” be the Chair of the Board.”

CARRIED

5. Research/Policy Analyst Report

Dree gave the first part of her report on the Mission Statement, Constitution & By-laws and Governance Polices. The latest copy is still in draft form. A written report was handed out to identify specifics to be brought to the Board’s attention. Article 3.3 in the Constitution/ By-laws states to appoint an alternate in Prince Township, in the event that Board Member is unable to attend. David Edgar stated he will provide the Board with the name of an alternate, after Prince Township’s next meeting.

A sub committee was set up to look at these issues. That committee is Peter, Brady, and Dree.

Two resolutions previously passed have end dates. Agreements between the Corporation of the City of SSMarie and District of SSMarie Social Services Administration Board will renewed in February or March.

The second part of Dree’s report was on Land Ambulance. A written report was handed out. Dree explained the letter that was received December 31st, 1999, by Mary Kardos Burton of the Ministry of Health asking for a letter of interest in becoming the delivery agent of Land Ambulance by January 14th, 2000.

A sub committee was set up which is Brent, Charlie, David Edgar and Dree

Moved by: B. Irwin
Seconded by: B. McHale

“Resolved that the District of Sault Ste Marie Social Services Administration Board respond to the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care request for expression of interest by indicating that the SSMarie DSSAB is prepared to further explore this service area.”

CARRIED

Dree asked for the Board’s approval to commence research on Social Housing, which she received. She advised the Board that a letter was received from Lynn Buckham, Municipal Affairs & Housing who wishes to meet with the Board. Two dates were given,

February 10th and February 16th. February 10th was agreed upon, and Dree will confirm with Lynn.

It was brought forth by David Overboe that at the NOSDA Meeting January 16th through January 18th, items on the Agenda were Social Housing and Land Ambulance. It was recommended that Dree attend the NOSDA Meeting.

Moved by: P. Vaudry
Seconded by: C. Swift

“Be it resolved that Dree Pauze be authorized to attend a NOSDA meeting in Sudbury, January 16th to 18th, 2000.”

CARRIED

6.Hiring Committee Report

(This report was given last, with only the Board present.)

Debbie gave the report of the Hiring Committee-There were 9 applicants, 6 were interviewed, and it is now short-listed to 3 for full Board interview. These interviews will take place on January 27th. It was agreed by the Board to send \$500.00 for travel expenses to one of the applicants, who has to travel from Oshawa. A resolution will be presented at the next Board Meeting.

7.Unfinished Business

Brady, Brent and Dree will be the Public Education/Communication Committee.

8. Information

Information session re: Land Ambulance -this was covered in Item #5-see resolution.

(Items Not on Agenda:)

Walter advised the Board that Florence Lake, Manager of Community Childcare has her office in City Hall.

Peter explained the rationale behind the resolution passed at council in regards to various options of consolidation in the District of Algoma (see attached resolution).

The Board will send a letter to Derik Brandt thanking him for his time and contribution to the Board.

9.Adjournment

Moved by: D. Amaroso
Seconded by: B. McHale

“Be it resolved that we do now adjourn.”

CARRIED