



District of Sault Ste. Marie

Social Services Administration Board

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

Minutes

DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, June 19, 2007 - 5:20 PM

Aweres Public School (Hwy 556 - Heyden)

PRESENT:	D. Edgar F. Fata	P. Mick L. Madonna	L. Turco
STAFF:	K. Streich-Poser J. Barban	A. McRae A. Nanne	R. Cobean
REGRETS:	B. Hayes V. Burns	L. Tridico	S. Butland

Call to order by D. Edgar at 5:10p.m.

PRESENTATION: Gary Vipond – Executive Director, United Way Sault Ste. Marie

- Northern Western Ontario “211”

G. Vipond gave a DVD and PowerPoint presentation for Board Members regarding the Northern Western Ontario “211” service.

L. Turco asked G. Vipond about the difference between the proposed “211” and “311” services. He stated that the “311” service is strictly municipal services. L. Turco replied that he had heard things to the contrary and asked about the possibility of having the “211” call center located right here in SSM.

There were no further questions asked by DSSMSSAB members. G. Vipond invited all Board Members to contact him at any time with questions or comments regarding this matter.

The DSSMSSAB meeting was temporarily put on hold at 5:40 p.m. for the SSMHC meeting. The DSSMSSAB meeting resumed again at 6:00 p.m.

1. Minutes

Resolution #07-064

Moved By: P. Mick

Seconded By: L. Madonna

- 1.1 "Be it resolved that the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting dated May 19, 2007 be adopted as recorded."

CARRIED

2. Accounts

Resolution #07-065

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: P. Mick

- 2.1 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB Accounts Payable previously reviewed and recommended by the Executive / Finance committee dated:

May 03, 2007 in the amount of \$1,556,968.63

May 10, 2007 in the amount of \$16,981.06

May 17, 2007 in the amount of \$836,039.04

May 25, 2007 in the amount of \$49,571.91

be passed for payment."

CARRIED

3. Executive/Finance

4. Land Ambulance

Resolution #07-066

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: P. Mick

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

CARRIED

Resolution #07-067

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: P. Mick

- 4.2 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB accept the Letter of Understanding between the DSSMSSAB and the Algoma District Services Administration Board (ADSAB) regarding First Nations Funding and Cross Border Billing as recommended by the Executive / Finance committee."

CARRIED

Resolution #07-068

Moved By: L. Turco
Seconded By: P. Mick

- 4.3 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB accept the First Nations Land Ambulance funding calculations and the realignment process as outlined in the letter dated May 16, 2007 from the MOHLTC and as recommended by the Executive / Finance committee."

CARRIED

5. Ontario Works

Resolution #07-069

Moved By: L. Turco
Seconded By: L. Madonna

- 5.1 "Be it resolved that the June 2007 report prepared by the Ontario Works Program Manager be accepted by the Board as information."

CARRIED

6. Community Child Care

Resolution #07-070

Moved By: P. Mick
Seconded By: L. Turco

- 6.1 "Be it resolved that the following financial reports be accepted by the DSSMSSAB as information:
- Community Child Care Services MCCS 2006 Budget Submission
REVISED

CARRIED

7. Community Coordinator

8. Social Housing Programs

R. Cobean spoke to his report and updated Board Members concerning recent changes in Social Housing Programs.

D. Edgar would like to see a concise report developed on the subject of our loss in federal funding as we are the first DSSAB to encounter this revenue loss. D. Edgar suggested that the DSSMSSAB needs to take immediate action, and let the Ministry and others know that the system is flawed. The DSSMSSAB office will compose something for the next NOSDA face-to-face meeting in the fall 2007.

R. Cobean provided information about the Rental Opportunity for Ontario Families (ROOF) and Delivering Opportunities for Ontario Renters (DOORS) programs and the funding provided.

Resolution #07-071

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: L. Madonna

8.1 "Be it resolved that the report prepared by the Social Housing Programs Manager be accepted by the Board as information."

CARRIED

Resolution #07-072

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: L. Turco

8.2 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB accept the recommendation of the Manager of Housing Programs to issue a request for proposals (RFP) to Housing Providers to access the Delivering Opportunities for Ontario Renters program (each social housing provider will be given the opportunity to submit a business case to access this fund). The DOORS fund will be used by the providers to help offset capital works projects required within their portfolio. Upon the receipt and review of all proposals the Manager of Housing Programs will bring a recommendation back to the DSSMSSAB board for approval of these projects and the funds requested."

CARRIED

Resolution #07-073

Moved By: P. Mick

Seconded By: L. Turco

8.3 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB renew their membership for with the Service Manager Housing Network (SMHN) for the annual fee of \$500."

CARRIED

9. Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation

Resolution #07-074

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: L. Turco

9.1 "Be it resolved that the minutes from the Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation Meeting held May 17, 2007 be accepted by the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board as information."

CARRIED

10. Commissioner of Social Services

K. Streich-Poser provided a PowerPoint presentation for meeting packages. In the interest of time the presentation was not shown during the meeting. K. Streich-Poser spoke to the issue of the current rent scales being used for Ontario Works and ODSP clients.

Resolution #07-075

Moved By: P. Mick

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 10.1 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB petition the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to eliminate the current rent scales being used for Ontario Works and ODSP clients living in Social Housing and that these scales be replaced with the Maximum Shelter Allowances available through the Ontario Work and ODSP program.

CARRIED

11. DSSMSSAB Administration

Resolution #07-076

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 11.1 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board shall now go into a closed session to discuss one item involving DSSMSSAB staff matters". (Human Resources)

Resolution #07-076(A)

Moved By: P. Mick

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 11.1(A) "Be it resolved that the job description and duties of the Executive Assistant to the DSSMSSAB Board remain the same and that the salary be increased to Step 3 effective January 1, 2007.

Resolution #07-077

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: L. Madonna

- 11.2 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board shall now enter back into open session".

12. New Business

13. Old Business

14. Correspondence/Information

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

15. Adjournment

Resolution #07-078

Moved By: P. Mick

Seconded By: L. Turco

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.