



# Social Services

## District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board

Conseil d'Administration des Services du District Sault Ste. Marie  
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*DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MINUTES  
Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 4:30 PM  
390 Bay Street, Suite 405*

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**PRESENT:**      **L. Dufour**  
                      **S. Spina**                      **A. Caputo**  
                      **J. Hupponen**                **S. Hopkin**  
                      **M. Bruni**                     **L. Vezeau-Allen** arrived at 4:53

**STAFF:**            **M. Nadeau**                    **L. Bruni**  
                          **M. Scott**                      **J. Barban**  
                          **T. Ritter**                      **K. Kirkham**  
                          **A. Borrelli**                  **J. Pearson**  
                          **M. Brennan**                **D. Petersson**

**REGRETS:**        **A. Kohler**                    **E. Palumbo**

**1. CALL TO ORDER at 4:31**

**2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I acknowledge, with respect, that we are in Robinson-Huron Treaty territory, that the land on which we are gathered is the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe and known as Bawating. Bawating is the home of Garden River First Nation, Batchewana First Nation, the Historic Sault Ste. Marie Metis Council.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Resolution #23-077**

Moved By: S. Spina

Seconded By: A. Caputo

- 3.1 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agenda for September 21, 2023 District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting be approved as presented.”

**Carried**

#### **4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

**None**

#### **5. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

##### **Resolution #23-078**

Moved By: S. Hopkin

Seconded By: J. Hupponen

- 5.1 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting dated July 20, 2023 be adopted as recorded.

**Carried**

##### 5.2 **Presentation**

Maegan Brennan, Corporate Affairs and Communications Coordinator  
Early Childhood Educator Recruitment Video  
Recruitment video

#### **6. MANAGERS REPORTS**

##### **INFRASTRUCTURE**

##### **Resolution #23-079**

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: A. Caputo

- 6.1 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) enter into a transfer payment agreement with the Province of Ontario for the purposes of being eligible for 2023-2024 funding initiatives related to the Canada Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) for the allocation of \$1,178,800, and the Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative (OPHI) for the allocation of \$391,400.00”

**Carried**

##### **HOUSING SERVICES**

##### **Resolution #23-080**

Moved By: S. Spina

Seconded By: S. Hopkin

- 6.2 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) enter into an Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for the Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit Program in order to be eligible for the allocated funding for 2023/2024.”

**Carried**

## **EARLY YEARS**

### **Resolution #23-081**

Moved By: J. Hupponen

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 6.3 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board approve the one time allocation of Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care (CWELCC) funding to bridge the gap between 2022 base rates and actual cost of care for 0 to 5 age groups as outlined in the report below.”

**Carried**

### **Resolution #23-082**

Moved By: J. Hupponen

Seconded By: L. Vezeau-Allen

- 6.4 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board approve the Early Years Special Purpose Funding Model that offers equitable and transparent distribution of available funding annually to licensed child care Service Providers and authorize allocating up to \$3.00 per point value each year in accordance with the funding formal in this report, based on available funding each year.”

**Carried**

## **PARAMEDIC SERVICES**

### **Resolution #23-083**

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: S. Hopkin

- 6.5 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the September 21, 2023 Offload Delay report by the Chief of Paramedic Services as information.”

**Carried**

## **ADMINISTRATION**

### **Resolution #23-084**

Moved By: L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded By: A. Caputo

- 6.6 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) amend the current snow removal service practice to allow more people to enter into the program and provide financial supports to snow clearing directly for eligible community members in accordance with recommendations outlined in this report.”

**Carried**

### **Resolution #23-085**

Moved By: S. Spina

Seconded By: J. Hupponen

- 6.7 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board now enter into closed session for labour relations.”

**Carried**

### **Resolution #23-086**

Moved By: S. Hopkin

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 6.8 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board now returns to open session.”

**Carried**

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

## **9. OTHER BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS**

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

### **Resolution #23-087**

Moved By: A. Caputo

Seconded By: S. Spina

- 10.1 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we do now adjourn.”

**Adjourn at 6:14pm**

## **NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Thursday, October 19, 2023 4:30 PM