

BOARD OF HEALTH
for
HURON PERTH HEALTH UNIT
Meeting Minutes

Via Zoom

February 4, 2022
10:24am

Members present: Jim Fergusson, Bonnie Henderson, Dave Jewitt, Todd Kasenberg, Marg Luna, Bernie MacLellan, Myles Murdock, Kathy Vassilakos, Bob Wilhelm, Bob Parker, Paul Robinson

Staff present: Dr Miriam Klassen, Medical Officer of Health/CEO; Julie Pauli, Director of Corporate Services (Interim Chair); barb Leavitt, Director of Population Health; Dr Lauren Hayward, Physician Consultant; Melissa Rintoul, Executive Assistant to the MOH (Recorder)

Regrets: Tanya Sangster, Director of Community and Family Health; Christina Taylor, Director of Health Protection;

Marg Luna left the meeting at 11:30 am
Todd Kasenberg left the meeting at 11:35am

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Bob Wilhelm
Seconded by: Marg Luna

That the agenda for today's meeting be adopted as presented.
Carried.

Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Acceptance of the Motions and Minutes of the Risk and Governance Committee

Moved by: Myles Murdock
Seconded by: Jim Fergusson

That the Board of Health receive and accept the recommendations and minutes of the Risk and Governance Committee.
Carried.

Acceptance of the Motions and Minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee Meeting

Moved by: Marg Luna
Seconded by: Todd Kasenberg

That the Board of Health receive and accept the recommendations and minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee.
Carried

Director of Corporate Services Report

Financial Transactions Reports

Julie Pauli, provided an overview of the final GL Trial Balance Transaction Details for the period ending December 31, 2021.

Moved by: Bob Wilhelm
Seconded by: Marg Luna

**That the Board approve the Financial Transaction Reports for the period of December 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 in the amount of \$544,565.91.
Carried.**

COVID expenses have created a \$1.6 million deficit which will create a cash flow issue until those moneys are refunded by the Ministry which are expected early April. Julie has reached out to the bank, to help float those costs until funding has been received, the interest of which will be floated back to the Ministry under COVID expenses as well.

Moved by: Bob Wilhelm
Seconded by: Marg Luna

That the Board directs staff to pursue a secured line of credit/loan agreement with the bank, utilizing the HPPH buildings as collateral, to cover this temporary cash flow short fall to be covered by Ministry funding for the COVID expenses, expected to be received in April.

Carried.

MOH Report

A written report, was presented by Dr Miriam Klassen and updated to current information in regards to the COVID-19 pandemic and the public health response, including time for questions from the Board of Health and discussion.

Moved by: Dave Jewitt
Seconded by: Bonnie Henderson

**That the Medical Officer of Health Report be adopted as presented.
Carried.**

Staff Report – COVID-19 Designation in ISPA

Dr Klassen presented the report covering the requirements under ISPA and the recommendation to include COVID-19 under that Act.

Moved by: Marg Luna
Seconded by: Dave Jewitt

That the Board of Health directs staff to draft a letter to Hon Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, recommending that the Province of Ontario amend the Immunization of School Pupils Act to include COVID-19 as a “designated disease”.

Carried.

Huron Perth and Area OHT Update

Dr Lauren Hayward provided an overview and update of the work being done by the Huron Perth and Area Ontario Health Team.

alPHa Pre-Budget Submission

Dr Klassen provided an overview of the alPHA Pre-Budget Submission Report.

Correspondence

- a. HKPRDHU letter re: Support for Local Board of Health
- b. alPHa – Information Break – January 2022
- c. alPHa – Public Health Resilience in Ontario Report – January 2022

Moved by: Bob Wilhelm
Seconded by: Bernie MacLellan

**That the Board receive correspondence items for information purposes.
Carried.**

Approval of the Minutes of the February 4, 2022 Board of Health Meeting.

Moved by: Jim Fergusson
Seconded by: Bob Parker

**That the minutes of today's Board of Health meeting be approved as presented.
Carried.**

Adjournment

Moved by: Myles Murdock
Seconded by: Paul Robinson

**That we now adjourn.
Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:19 am

**Next Meeting
Friday, March 4, 2022 at 930 am**

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy Vassilakos, Chair