



## **Ottawa Board of Health MINUTES 8**

**Monday, February 8, 2016, 5:00 PM**

**Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West**

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### **Board Members:**

**Chair: S. Qadri**

**Vice-Chair: J. Poirier**

**Members: D. Chernushenko, M. Fleury, A. Kapur, L. Leikin, C. McKenney, S. Pinel,  
M. Qaqish, M. Taylor, P. Tilley**

The Ottawa Board of Health met in the Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, on Monday, February 8, 2016 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The Chair, Shad Qadri, presided over the meeting.

Please note that the order of business for the meeting has been varied to deal with the Report - *Confirmation of the Chair and Vice-Chair* at the outset.

#### ROLL CALL

**Vice-Chair Poirier and Member Tilley were absent from the meeting.**

#### REGRETS

**Vice-Chair Poirier and Member Tilley sent their regrets.**

#### DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST (INCLUDING THOSE ORIGINALLY ARISING FROM PRIOR MEETINGS)

**No declarations of pecuniary interest were filed.**

#### CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**Confirmation of the Minutes of the meeting of December 7, 2015**

CONFIRMED

#### MOTION TO INTRODUCE REPORTS

**Motion 08/01**

Moved by Member Qaqish

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Confirmation of the Chair and Vice-Chair report; Chair of the Board of Health Verbal Report; Medical Officer of Health Verbal Report; Making Healthy Eating and Active Living the Easy Choice report; Towards Better Outcomes for Communities and Patients: Protecting and Leveraging Public Health in Ontario's Proposed Health System Transformation report; Healthy Start: Part 3 – Toddler / Preschool Health report; Ottawa Public Health's Activities to Support Syrian Refugees in Ottawa report; and, Attendance at the Association of Local Public Health Agencies' (aLPHa) 2016 Board of Health Winter Symposium report be received and considered.**

CARRIED

1. CONFIRMATION OF THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

ACS2016-OPH-SSB-0001

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit:**

- 1. Confirm the election of Councillor Shad Qadri as Chair for 2016, to be confirmed at the first meeting of each year of its term as required by the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*; and,**
- 2. Confirm the election of Member Jo-Anne Poirier as Vice-Chair for 2016, to be confirmed at the first meeting of each year of its term as required by the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*.**

Pursuant to section 5(2) of the *Procedure By-law*, the Board Secretary presided over the first recommendation of the report in respect of the confirmation of election of the Chair. Upon the carriage of the first recommendation, Chair Qadri, having been confirmed as Chair, presided over the second recommendation, in respect of the confirmation of election of the Vice-Chair. Vice-Chair Poirier was confirmed as Vice-Chair of the Board.

CARRIED

## ANNOUNCEMENTS/CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

Certificates of recognition were presented to the participants and winners of the Ottawa Public Health's 2015 Annual Report artwork challenge.

In October 2015, Ottawa Public Health launched an artwork challenge for all Ottawa students, with the winning artwork to be featured in Ottawa Public Health's 2015 Annual report.

The winning entries, whose art will be featured in Ottawa Public Health's 2015 Annual Report are:

- Eva and Saffi Petersen Ndiaye, Family Health category
- Jenna Wang, Infectious Disease category
- Giorgio Manasseri in the following three categories: Chronic Disease & Injury Prevention; Environmental Health; and Emergency Preparedness

Certificates of recognition were given to:

- Eva Petersen Ndiaye
- Saffi Petersen Ndiaye
- Noah Keats
- Neena Culliton
- Giorgio Manasseri
- Jenna Wang

Also recognized, but unable to attend, were Annie Sabourin and Yasmeen Zabien.

## COMMUNICATIONS

**Thirteen communication items have been received** (*held on file with the Board of*

*Health Secretary).*

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Following a 'Consent Agenda' process, the Board considered the held Items in the following order: Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8.

2. CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH VERBAL REPORT

ACS2016-OPH-BOH-0001

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive this report for information.**

Chair Qadri provided the Board with an update on recent events. The attached memo includes the Chair of the Board of Health Verbal Update.

Following the discussion, the report recommendation was put to the Board.

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3. MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH VERBAL REPORT

ACS2016-OPH-MOH-0001

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive this report for information.**

Dr. Isra Levy, Medical Officer of Health, provided the Board with an update on recent events. The attached memo includes the Medical Officer of Health Verbal Update.

Following the discussion, the report recommendation was put to the Board.

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4. MAKING HEALTHY EATING AND ACTIVE LIVING THE EASY CHOICE

ACS2016-OPH-HPDP-0001

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit:**

- 1. Approve the strategic initiatives for Ottawa Public Health's Strategic Direction #1 – Inspire and Support Healthy Eating and Active Living, as outlined in this report:**
  - a) Expand Healthy Eating and Active Living guidelines to other sectors, organizations and workplaces**
  - b) Improve access to and uptake of healthier choices where food is purchased**
  - c) Work with food security partners to strengthen local food systems**
  - d) Promote walking and cycling for active transportation and leisure**
  - e) Advance natural and built environments;**
- 2. Direct staff to seek new opportunities to advance health perspectives in municipal policies and programming; and,**
- 3. Approve that the Chair of the Board of Health write a letter to the Federal Minister of Health, with a copy to the Provincial Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, and other Boards of Health supporting the priorities outlined in the Federal Minister of Health Mandate Letter to promote public health.**

Ms. Sherry Nigro, Manager, Health Promotion Disease Prevention, and Ms. Hilda Chow, Program Manager, Chronic Disease Prevention, spoke to a

PowerPoint presentation, which served to provide the Board with some context on this report. Ottawa Public Health staff took questions from Board members. This discussion lasted approximately 50 minutes. A copy of the presentation is held on file with the Board of Health Secretary.

Following the discussion, the report recommendations were put to the Board.

CARRIED

5. TOWARDS BETTER OUTCOMES FOR COMMUNITIES AND PATIENTS:  
PROTECTING AND LEVERAGING PUBLIC HEALTH IN ONTARIO'S  
PROPOSED HEALTH SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION

ACS2016-OPH-SSB-0002

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit:**

- 1. Receive for information the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's discussion paper entitled: *Patients First: A Proposal to Strengthen Patient-Centred Health Care in Ontario* (Document 1);**
- 2. Approve that the Chair of the Board of Health submit this report to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care and write a letter to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care outlining the key considerations for successful health system transformation, as outlined in the report:**
  - a) Leverage the Role of Public Health**
  - b) Maintain Independent Governance and Accountability**
  - c) Protect Public Health Funding**
  - d) Strategically Integrate Population Health Priorities, Assessment, and Surveillance; and**
  - e) Enhance Public Health Capacity**
- 3. Approve that the Chair of the Board of Health include in the letter, referenced in Recommendation 2, a recommendation that Boards of**

**Health be afforded ex-officio representation on Local Health Integration Networks (LHIN) Boards in order to effectively influence priority setting;**

- 4. Approve that the Chair of the Board of Health, subject to the approval of Recommendations 2 and 3, forward the letter referenced in recommendations 2 and 3 and this report to all Ontario Boards of Health, Ottawa City Council, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Association of Local Public Health Agencies (aLPHa), the Champlain LHIN, and local Members of Provincial Parliament, as part of the Ministry's consultations on their proposals included in the *Patients First: A Proposal to Strengthen Patient-Centred Health Care in Ontario* report;**
- 5. Recommend that the Chair of the Board of Health, and the Medical Officer of Health consult with the Ottawa City Council representative for AMO, regarding municipal perspectives around the proposed changes in governance and funding; and,**
- 6. Direct staff to contribute to the Ministry's consultations, as required.**

*(Ms. Jane Dare assumed the role of Board Secretary for the presentation of this report.)*

Ms. Gillian Connelly, Program Manager, Strategic Support Branch, and Dr. Brent Moloughney, specialist in Public Health and Prevention Medicine, and consulting expert in public health system organization and design, both spoke to PowerPoint presentations, which served to provide the Board with some context on this report.

At 6:58 p.m., Member Qaqish moved a motion to extend the meeting.

#### **MOTION 08/02**

Moved by Member Qaqish

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Health approve that the meeting time be extended past 7:00 p.m. pursuant to Subsection 8.(1)(c) of the**



**Procedural By-law.**

CARRIED

Ms. Connelly and Dr. Moloughney then took questions from Board members. This discussion lasted approximately 50 minutes. Copies of the presentations are held on file with the Board of Health Secretary.

Following the discussion, the report recommendations were put to the Board.

CARRIED, as amended by the following motion:

**Motion 08/03**

Moved by Member Leikin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Recommendation #3 in the *Towards Better Outcomes for Communities and Patients: Protecting and Leveraging Public Health in Ontario's Proposed Health System Transformation* report be amended, as follows:**

- 3. Approve that the Chair of the Board of Health include in the letter, referenced in Recommendation 2, a recommendation that Boards of Health be afforded ex-officio representation on Local Health Integration Networks (LHIN) Boards in order to effectively influence priority setting, and also recommend that public health representation from Boards of Health be included on the Expert Panel outlined in the Ministry's Patients First report;**

**DIRECTION TO STAFF**

Member Kapur

That the letter referenced in recommendation 3 to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care also state that a whole government approach, at the municipal, provincial and federal level, should be enhanced to advance policies and programs that address the social determinants of health and to address inequities in health outcomes.

6. HEALTHY START: PART 3 – TODDLER/ PRESCHOOL HEALTH

ACS2016-OPH-HPDP-0002

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive this report for information.**

Ms. Sherry Nigro, Manager, Health Promotion Disease Prevention, and Mr. Marino Francispillai, Program Manager, Family and School Health, spoke to a PowerPoint presentation, which served to provide the Board with some context on this report. A copy of the presentation is held on file with the Board of Health Secretary.

The following delegations addressed the Board on the Healthy Start: Part 3 – Toddler/Preschool Health report:

- Ms. Marisa Moher, Director – Ottawa Child and Youth Initiative: Growing Up Great (agreed with the report recommendation)
- Ms. Jennifer Theriault, Early Years Coordinator, Centretown Community Health Centre: Best Start Ottawa Leadership Committee Co-chair (agreed with the report recommendation)

Following the delegations, Ottawa Public Health staff took questions from Board members. This discussion lasted approximately 20 minutes. Following the discussion, the report recommendation was then put to the Board.

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7. OTTAWA PUBLIC HEALTH'S ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT SYRIAN REFUGEES IN OTTAWA

ACS2016-OPH-MOH-0002

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive this**

**report for information.**

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8. ATTENDANCE AT THE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES' (aIPHa) 2016 BOARD OF HEALTH WINTER SYMPOSIUM

ACS2016-OPH-SSB-0003

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit approve the attendance of Vice-Chair Poirier and Member Kapur at the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (aIPHa) Board of Health Winter Symposium, to be held from February 24 to 25, 2016 in Toronto.**

Chair Qadri introduced the report and the report recommendation was put to the Board.

CARRIED

#### MOTION TO ADOPT REPORTS

#### **Motion 08/04**

Moved by Member Qaqish

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Confirmation of the Chair and Vice-Chair report; Chair of the Board of Health Verbal Report; Medical Officer of Health Verbal Report; Making Healthy Eating and Active Living the Easy Choice report; Towards Better Outcomes for Communities and Patients: Protecting and Leveraging Public Health in Ontario's Proposed Health System Transformation report; Healthy Start: Part 3 – Toddler / Preschool Health report; Ottawa Public Health's Activities to Support Syrian Refugees in Ottawa report; and, Attendance at the Association of Local**

**Public Health Agencies' (alPHa) 2016 Board of Health Winter Symposium report be received and adopted.**

CARRIED

MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN PREVIOUSLY

**There were no motions of which notice had been given previously.**

MOTIONS REQUIRING SUSPENSION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

**There were no motions requiring suspension of the rules of procedure.**

NOTICES OF MOTION (FOR CONSIDERATION AT SUBSEQUENT MEETING)

**There were no Notices of Motions (for consideration at subsequent meeting).**

INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY DISTRIBUTED

**There was no information previously distributed.**

CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

**Motion 08/05**

Moved by Member Qaqish

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Confirmation By-law no. 2016-1, a by-law of the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit to confirm the proceedings of the Ottawa Board of Health at its meeting of February 8, 2016, be read and passed.**

CARRIED

#### INQUIRIES AND ANSWERS

**There were no inquiries.**

#### ADJOURNMENT

**The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.**

#### NEXT MEETING

##### **Regular Meeting**

Monday, April 18, 2016 - 5:00 PM, Champlain Room

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**BOARD SECRETARY**

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**BOARD CHAIR**