



Ottawa Board of Health MINUTES 23

Monday, June 18, 2018, 5:00 PM

Wabano Centre, 299 Montréal Road

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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, 18 June 2018 beginning at 5:00 PM.

The Chair, Shad Qadri, presided over the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

Representatives from the First Nations, Inuit, Métis communities offered opening prayers in recognition of the meeting location, National Aboriginal History Month (June) and National Indigenous Peoples Day (June 21).

ROLL CALL

Vice-Chair Poirier was absent.

REGRETS

DRAFT

Vice Chair Poirier sent 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 April 16, 2018

CONFIRMED

COMMUNICATIONS

Ten communication items have been received (held on file with the Board of Health Secretary).

MOTION TO INTRODUCE REPORTS

Motion 23/01

Moved by Member Kapur

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chair of the Board of Health's Verbal Report; the Medical Officer of Health's Verbal Report; Reconcili-Action at Ottawa Public Health: Update; Mental Health in Ottawa Report 2018; Ottawa Public Health's Vaccinate Ottawa Together Plan; and 2018 Operating Budget Q1 – Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit Status Report be received and considered.

CARRIED

Following a 'Consent Agenda' process, the Board considered the held Items in the following order: Items 1, 2, 3 and 4, in that order.

1. CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH VERBAL REPORT

ACS2018-OPH-BOH-0008

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

RECEIVED

Chair Qadri provided the Board with an update on recent events. The Chair's verbal report took approximately 10 minutes. The attached memo includes the Chair of the Board of Health Verbal Update. The report was then received by the Board.

2. MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH VERBAL REPORT

ACS2018-OPH-MOH-0005

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

DRAFT

RECEIVED

Dr. Very Etches, Medical Officer of Health, provided the Board with an update on recent events. This verbal update lasted approximately 5 minutes. The attached memo includes her Verbal Update. The report was then received by the Board.

3. RECONCILI-ACTION AT OTTAWA PUBLIC HEALTH: UPDATE

ACS2018-OPH-KPQ-0003

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

- 1. Approve the Ottawa Public Health Reconcili-ACTION Plan, as discussed in this report and detailed in Document 1;**
- 2. Recognize the importance of consistent community and partner engagement and support the concept of reciprocity in work with First**

Nations, Inuit and Métis partners and community members; and

- 3. Adopt a formal mechanism to ensure future Board members have opportunities to participate in Indigenous cultural safety training and other learning opportunities in support of the Reconcili-ACTION Plan.**

CARRIED

Dr. Vera Etches, Medical Officer of Health, spoke to a PowerPoint presentation, which served to provide the Board with an overview of the report. She was accompanied by Ms. Kimberley Trotter, Public Health Nurse, and Dr. Sarah Funnell, Medical Resident. A copy of their presentation is held on file with the Board of Health Secretary.

The following delegations addressed the Board on this topic:

- Donna Lyons, Director of Quality Assurance, Education and Training, Wabano Centre for Aboriginal Health
- Connie Siedule, Executive Director and Dr. Indu Gambhir, Lead Physician, Akausivik Inuit Family Health Team

Following the delegations, Board Members heard brief closing remarks from Ms. Trotter, Dr. Funnell and Dr. Etches. Discussion on this item lasted approximately 55 minutes, after which the Board approved the report recommendations.

4. MENTAL HEALTH IN OTTAWA REPORT 2018

[ACS2018-OPH-HPP-0005](#)

That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive, for information, the Status of Mental Health in Ottawa Report 2018 and the Promoting Mental Health in Ottawa Summary Report 2018, attached as Documents 1 and 2 respectively.

RECEIVED

Ms. Gillian Connelly, Manager of Healthy Communities, spoke to a PowerPoint presentation, which served to provide the Board with an overview of the report. She was accompanied by Mr. Benjamin Leikin, Supervisor, Mental Health, and Ms. Amira Ali, Senior Epidemiologist. A copy of their presentation is held on file with the Board of Health Secretary.

The following delegations addressed the Board on this topic:

- Roberto Ortiz, Executive Director, and Brent Bauer, Board Chair, MAX Ottawa

After hearing from the delegation, Ms. Connelly and Mr. Leikin responded to questions from Board members. Discussion on this item lasted approximately 35 minutes, after which the Board received the report.

At 7:00 p.m., the Board considered Motion 23/02, below.

Motion 23/02

Moved by Member Kapur

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

5. OTTAWA PUBLIC HEALTH'S VACCINATE OTTAWA TOGETHER PLAN

ACS2018-OPH-HPP-0006

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

1. **Receive, for information, an update on the 2015 multi-phase**

- immunization strategy, as described in this report; and**
- 2. Approve OPH's Vaccinate Ottawa Together plan to increase the uptake of publicly-funded vaccines in Ottawa, as outlined in this report.**

CARRIED

6. 2018 OPERATING BUDGET Q1 – BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THE CITY OF OTTAWA HEALTH UNIT STATUS REPORT

ACS2018-OPH-PCS-0003

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

- 1. Receive the 2018 Q1 operating budget status report for information;**
- 2. Approve the establishment of a new capital project for the retrofit of the Sexual Health Center at 179 Clarence St. and new capital spending authority of \$672K, which will be 100% provincially funded; and**
- 3. Recommend that Ottawa City Council approve the establishment of 6 FTEs, which will be 100% provincially funded.**

CARRIED

INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY DISTRIBUTED

- A PROVINCIAL REGULATORY CHANGES AFFECTING PUBLIC HEALTH

ACS2018-OPH-MOH-0006-IPD

MOTION TO ADOPT REPORTS

Motion 23/03

Moved by Member Kapur

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chair of the Board of Health's Verbal Report; the Medical Officer of Health's Verbal Report; Reconcili-Action at Ottawa Public Health: Update; Mental Health in Ottawa Report 2018; Ottawa Public Health's Vaccinate Ottawa Together Plan; and 2018 Operating Budget Q1 – Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit Status 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.

NOTICES OF MOTION (FOR CONSIDERATION AT SUBSEQUENT MEETING)

There were no Notice of Motions (for consideration at a subsequent meeting).

INQUIRIES AND ANSWERS

There were no inquiries.

CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Motion 23/04

Moved by Member Kapur

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Confirmation By-law no. 2018-3, 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 June 18, 2018, be read and passed.

CARRIED

DRAFT

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

Regular Meeting

Monday, September 17, 2018 - 5:00 PM, Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West

BOARD SECRETARY

BOARD CHAIR

Ottawa Board of Health Meeting

Notes for Chair Shad Qadri's Verbal Report

Monday, June 18, 2018

Good evening everyone,

Thank you to the Elders for opening our meeting here this evening. It is significant that we are gathered here today at the Wabano Centre for Aboriginal Health. For those of you not familiar with the Centre, it is devoted to providing a wide range of medical clinics, social services and support, and programs for First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples in Ottawa. We appreciate the warm welcome we have received and the excellent tour that Board members took before the meeting.

For my verbal update this evening, I would like to touch on some developments in local health, news from the province and community events.

Locally, as was mentioned at Ottawa City Council on May 9th, I am pleased to advise that Dr. Vera Etches' appointment as Medical Officer of Health was confirmed by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care. Vera possesses strong executive leadership skills, demonstrated throughout her 12 years in senior public health management. I look forward to continuing

to work with her and the entire Ottawa Public Health team in preparing for opportunities ahead and developing the organization's 2019-2022 Strategic Plan.

In terms of strategic planning, the Board of Health wrapped up its first strategic planning session for the 2019 – 2022 term earlier this month. The session provided Board members with the opportunity to review local community health needs and perspectives to identify potential priorities for the next term. I would like to thank my Board colleagues for their participation.

Also, last week, I was honoured to attend a ceremony for the City Manager's Award of Distinction. The City Manager's Award of Distinction recognizes and celebrates the exceptional contribution, dedication and exemplary service of employees. The award is the highest distinction one can receive through the Employee Recognition Program and rewards. One individual from OPH and one OPH team won the award. I would like to congratulate the Special Events Advisory Team (SEAT) members from OPH who won in the category of Collaboration and Relationship Building. I would also like to congratulate Kimberley Trotter who won in the category of Diversity and Inclusion. Kimberly is here this evening and will be presenting later tonight. Let us give her a round of applause. I also want to

recognize individuals and groups from OPH who were nominated for the award including Andrew Hendriks, Benjamin Leikin, the OPH contributors to Ottawa Welcomes the World and the Overdose Prevention and Response Task Force.

Moving to news from the province, I am pleased to report that we received communications from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in May regarding our funding. The Ministry announced a one-time capital grant to support the planning, establishment and renovation of the supervised injection service at 179 Clarence Street and one-time operating funding to support supervised injection services at that location, as well as base funding to support the increasing costs associated the delivery of the HIV/AIDS programs. In addition, an increase in base funding and additional one-time funding were announced to support the provision of public health programs and services in the community. Details are outlined in the Q1 Budget report before you this evening.

Finally, I would like to touch on some of OPH's work in the community over the past several months. On May 31st, OPH co-hosted the 15th annual AccessAbility Day. The day involved remarks from Vera and presentations on health-related topics offered by OPH. I would like thank OPH employees for those presentations and for their work in helping to organize the event.

They supported the event's theme - *A Healthy Body and Mind* - and provided participants with valuable information on health and wellbeing.

I would also like to highlight OPH's work to support young people in our community. I recently visited Sacred Heart High School students who were participating in their Grad Inspiration Day at Saunders Farm. At this event, OPH's #PROMise2018 campaign was discussed. The campaign encourages a peer-to-peer approach. Using the hashtag #PROMise2018, youth are encouraged to empower other youth to increase their knowledge on issues related to substance use and sexual health; and to foster a culture of keeping each other safe.

Coming back to this evening's agenda, we have several significant reports before us, including OPH's Reconcili-ACTION plan. In April, several Board members participated in a First Nations, Inuit and Métis Agency Tour. I am especially pleased to see that this report discusses even more opportunities for education, training and action for Board members. I know some Board members are already registered for the Ontario Indigenous Cultural Safety Training in July and look forward to more opportunities to take action around reconciliation.

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Notes for Dr. Vera Etches

Monday, June 18, 2018

Good evening, Bonsoir,

I would also like to begin by honouring the Algonquin Anishinabe people, on whose unceded traditional territory the City of Ottawa is located.

I am very pleased that we are able to hold tonight's Board of Health meeting here at Wabano. It is an honour to be here and I am very thankful to Wabano for hosting us this evening. I would also like to thank the Elders who offered prayers and words of wisdom in opening today's meeting.

In tonight's verbal report, I would like to touch on some local health matters and provincial news from the recent Association of Local Public Health Agencies Annual General Meeting and Conference.

In May, our community partners at the Carlington Community Health Centre received Baby-Friendly designation and our partners at the Centretown Community Health Centre received re-designation. The Baby Friendly Initiative is an international program established by the World Health Organization (WHO) to help families make informed decisions about

infant feeding and break down barriers to breastfeeding. There is a significant amount of work required in order to achieve Baby-Friendly designation and re-designation, and I would like to publically acknowledge the community health centres for supporting breastfeeding practices and informed infant feeding decision-making.

Également ce printemps, avec l'arrivée des températures plus chaudes, SPO rappelle aux résidents le risque de contracter la maladie de Lyme. Pour aider à prévenir cette maladie, SPO surveille l'évolution des tendances relatives aux tiques et aux maladies humaines, sensibilise les résidents aux risques posés par les tiques et enseigne comment prévenir la maladie. Also this spring, with the warmer weather, OPH has been reminding residents about the risk of Lyme disease. To help prevent Lyme disease, OPH monitors ticks and human illness trends, increases awareness of the risks posed by ticks and educates on how to prevent Lyme disease. Preventing tick bites is key to the prevention of Lyme disease. Residents can prevent bites by: applying an approved insect repellent containing DEET or icaridin; doing a tick check on themselves, their children, and their pets; and removing ticks as soon as possible. These measures can reduce residents' risk of contracting Lyme disease this summer.

Next, looking at the month of June, following on the commitment made at our last meeting, the first meeting of the Ottawa Gambling Harm Prevention network took place. The network includes OPH, treatment agencies and community health centers, as well as OLG and Hard Rock Ottawa. At our first meeting, we discussed how we could increase awareness about gambling harms and prevent them altogether. I look forward to continued collaboration with our partners on this file.

Last week, Dr. Kapur, Doug Kirkpatrick and I attended the Association of Local Public Health agencies Annual General Meeting and Conference. We considered resolutions on a wide variety of topics, including public health funding; supporting a living wage; food affordability surveillance; infection prevention and control; and Ontario's pregnancy and breastfeeding nutritional allowance. OPH offered an amendment to the pregnancy and nutritional allowance resolution, which, I'm happy to report, was adopted by the alpha membership. Dr. Kapur, Doug Kirkpatrick and I voted on all resolutions on behalf of OPH.

That concludes my verbal update. I am happy to answer any questions.

Merci. Je peux prendre vos questions.