



MINUTES
of the April 28, 2011
MANITOULIN-SUDBURY DSB BOARD MEETING
held in Espanola's 210 Mead Blvd. DSB Boardroom

Present: Lou Addison, André Byham, Sonja Flynn, Les Gamble, Dennis Golden, Bruce Killah, Mike Lehoux, David Leonard, Shawnda Martin-Cross, Jack McMillan, Morgan Pitfield, Bud Rohn, Louise Ross

Regrets : Derek Stephens

Staff: Fern Dominelli, Suzanne Bouchard, Connie Morphet, Michael Maclsaac, Donna Moroso

Consultant: Aurel Malo

Delegations: Freelandt Caldwell Reilly LLP: Kirby Houle
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing:
Lynn Buckham, Northeast Regional Director
Cindy A. Couillard, Team Lead Regional Housing Services
Bryan Searle, Municipal Advisor

Media: Craig Gilbert, Mid-North Monitor

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Les Gamble, called the meeting to order 10:00 a.m.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Sonja asked that Board members keep in mind the Grand Opening of the new Multi-Use Office Building in Warren on June 18th.

Louise asked if Injured Workers Day could be recognized with a minute's silence at 11:00 a.m. This was done at 11:00 a.m.

Resolution No. 11-33

Moved by: B. Killah **Seconded by:** A. Byham

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as amended. **Carried**

3.0 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4.0 AUDITOR'S REPORT

Kirby Houle led Board members through the DSB's Audited Financial Statement for the year ended December 31, 2010. He summed up by saying that the DSB was in a good, stable financial position, and that after removing the Public Sector Accounting Board required lines, the overall surplus for the year 2010 is \$409,333.

5.0 MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND HOUSING PRESENTATION

Lynn Buckham introduced herself, Cindy Couillard and Bryan Searle and explained that they were making this presentation to all of the DSSABs to review their role and perhaps answer some questions. Bryan Searle proceeded to make the Power Point Presentation, followed by Cindy Couillard.

Some discussion centered on items such as:

- Ontario Ombudsman "[Sunshine Law Handbook](#)" which explains requirements for closed sessions
- Examples of Conflict of Interest situations and role of the Privacy Commissioner
- Concern for lack of assistance for low income seniors housing; keeping seniors in their homes rather than providing more "new" housing units

6.0 UPDATE ON MEETING WITH MINISTER BARTOLUCCI

Fern informed Board members that he and the Chair had met with Minister Bartolucci and his staff on April 8, 2011. DSB correspondence and the Stonewell Group Report on Building Condition Assessments were reviewed. The Minister and his staff accepted our report and did not take issue with any of the information presented. The Minister reminded DSB of the funding already received over the past years and added that there was no new money at this time. The Province and the Federal government are negotiating years 3, 4, 5 of the Affordable Housing Agreement and once this agreement is signed there may be an opportunity to address this issue.

7.0 CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 11-34

Moved by: M. Pitfield Seconded by: D. Golden

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board move into closed session at 11:45 a.m.

Carried

Resolution No. 11-35

Moved by: L. Ross Seconded by: S. Martin-Cross

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board adjourn this closed session at 12:15 p.m. Carried

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

During its Closed Session, the Board discussed the Auditor's Management Letter and Human Resources Issues.

8.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

8.1 [Audited Financial Statement](#)

Resolution No. 11-36

Moved by: J. McMillan Seconded by: M. Lehoux

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB accept receipt of the Audited Financial Statement for the year ended December 31, 2010, as prepared by the Freelandt, Caldwell, Reilly Accountants. Carried

8.2 [2010 Surplus](#)

Resolution No. 11-37

Moved by: M. Lehoux Seconded by: M. Pitfield

WHEREAS the audited financial statements for the operating year ended December 31, 2010 saw the DSB close the year with a working surplus of \$409,033;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$ 0 dollars be directed to the DSB's Working Reserve in order to bring it to the 15% that the Board has established; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the remaining \$409,033 be distributed to the DSB's member municipalities as per the apportionment formula in place in the year 2010. Carried

9.0 MINUTES

9.1 [Adoption of Previous Board Minutes](#)

Resolution No. 11-38

Moved by: D. Golden Seconded by: D. Leonard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the March 24, 2011 Board meeting be approved. Carried

9.2 Business Arising from Minutes

9.2.1 Annual General Meeting

It was decided to hold the Annual General Meeting in the Spring of 2012.

10.0 NEW BUSINESS

10.1 [Ministry of Education Early Learning](#)

Fern expressed concern at the statements made regarding Site Selection Guidelines in the Ministry of Education EL-2 memo. The memo refers to Parenting and Family Literacy Centres and Ontario Early Years Centres not being required to relocate. Family Resource Centres, Best Start Child and Family Centres and Child Care Centres are not mentioned and should be. Staff has asked the Ministry of Education for clarification and will update the Board when a response is received.

10.1 [Best Start Child and Family Centres: Issue Report](#)

Resolution No. 11-39

Moved by: L. Addison Seconded by: M. Pitfield

WHEREAS the Province announced the transfer of child care responsibility to the Ministry of Education and a continued commitment to the recommendations of Pascal's report which included a fully integrated system of early learning and child care for all children from birth to age twelve; and

WHEREAS Pascal's report sets out the vision for an integrated system of services for families and children delivered through Best Start Child and Family Centres; and

WHEREAS the Province has committed to stabilizing and enhancing licensed child care services for children from birth to age four; and

WHEREAS the Province has reiterated the role of municipal service managers as partners in the transformation of the early learning system; and

WHEREAS the funding and management of the Ontario Early Years Centres has remained with the Ministry of Children and Youth Services; and

WHEREAS OMSSA has developed a discussion paper, [Vision for the Best Start Child and Family System](#), which the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB supports;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB requests that the Province transfer the full management of children's programs to DSSABs and CMSMs including the Ontario Early Years Centre funding; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ministry of Education adequately fund the already fragile child care system in Ontario so that it can adjust to the movement of four- and five-year-olds into the school system and refocus on expanding much-needed services for younger children; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province engage in collaborative discussions with DSSABs and CMSMs as the municipal service managers identified as partners in the development of Best Start Child and Family Centres; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this resolution be forwarded to Minister Dombrosky, Ministry of Education, Minister Broten MCYS, NOSDA, OMSSA and AMO. Carried

10.3 One Tot Stop Grand Opening Infant Program

Fern reported that the One Tot Stop Grand Opening of their Infant Room was held on April 19th. This is the first Infant Room to open in the LaCloche area and will serve the families of the LaCloche area well. Fern and Les attended the Grand Opening.

10.4 Report on NOSDA Annual General Meeting - EMS

Fern asked Mike MacIsaac to report on the presentations made by [Norm Gale, Chief of EMS Superior North \(Thunder Bay\)](#) and Tony Campeau, Senior Manager, Emergency Health Services Branch, MOHLTC at the NOSDA AGM. Mike explained that the issues discussed revolved around the non-urgent patient transfers and the cost to DSSABs for providing a service that is not mandated. It was reported that there is some progress being made in discussions on this subject.

10.5 [Heart & Stroke Restart a Heart Restart a Life Program](#)

The DSB has been allocated five Public Access Defibrillators (PADs). this year. The Heart & Stroke Foundation reviewed all applications carefully and based on their current criteria selected the following 5 sites:

- Burpee Mills Fire Department, Evansville
- Gore Bay and Gordon/Barrie Island Fire Department, Gore Bay
- Espanola Fire Department, Espanola
- Billings Fire Department, Kagawong

- Providence Bay Hall/Municipality of Central Manitoulin, Mindemoya

The DSB staff will be in contact with these organizations to make arrangements for the deployment and training for PADs.

10.6 MOHLTC Annualized Base Funding Increase for 2011

Fern reported that the Ministry of Health & Long-Term Care announced an annualized base funding adjustment of \$330,147 for 50/50 funding and land ambulance services to First Nations for the 2011 calendar year. With this announcement, the DSB is estimating that it will have \$140,796 in funding that was not budgeted for in 2011. Calculations are being confirmed.

10.7 [EMS Call Routing and Redirects - Issue Report](#)

The Issue Report was circulated and Fern explained that the intent of this report was to provide Board members with some information regarding Land Ambulance Service Patient Care and Transportation Standards.

10.8 Little Current EMS Base Grand Opening, June 23, 2011

Fern outlined the proposed plan for the Grand Opening of the new Little Current Ambulance Station and it was decided to hold the June Board meeting in Little Current so that Board members could attend the Grand Opening. The Grand Opening will be held June 23 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Also, on Saturday, June 18, 2011, DSB staff will hold a pancake breakfast for immediate neighbours.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 11-40

Moved by: S. Martin-Cross Seconded by: D. Leonard

THAT we do now adjourn at 12:50 p.m. until the next regular meeting to be held in the DSB's Espanola Mead Boulevard Board Room on May 26, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

Carried

Chair

CAO (Secretary-Treasurer
of the Corporation)