



# BOARD OF HEALTH

## MINUTES

**DATE:** April 24, 2009  
**LOCATION:** Grey Bruce Health Unit  
**TIME:** 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Arlene Wright, Larry Kraemer, Judy Willson,  
Milt McIver, June Van Bastelaar, Brian Milne,  
Bill Goetz, Kevin Eccles, Bob Pringle, Gary Levine  
**REGRETS:**  
**ALSO PRESENT:** Dr. Hazel Lynn, Joan Tod  
**SPECIAL GUESTS:**  
**SECRETARY:** Sharon Edwards

### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Larry Kraemer declared a quorum present at 9:30 a.m.

### 2.0 AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA (None)

### 3.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: June Van Bastelaar      Seconded by: Bill Goetz  
***THAT, the agenda be approved as presented.***

Carried.

### 4.0 DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared at this time.

### 5.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (March 20, 2009)

Moved by: Brian Milne      Seconded by: Gary Levine  
***THAT, the minutes of March 20, 2009, be adopted as circulated.***

Carried.

Milt McIver entered the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

### 6.0 STAFF PRESENTATION

Youth Engagement Strategy Update, Linda Davies, Jasmin Dalton

Bob Pringle entered the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

### 7.0 ACCOMODATIONS

1. Building Update: Bob Pringle

Moved by: Bob Pringle

Seconded by: Bill Goetz

**THAT, the Board of Health move the August 21 meeting date to August 14 in order to address the signing off of the building agreement with the contractors.**

Carried.

Moved by: June Van Bastelaar

Seconded by: Milt McIver

**THAT, the Board of Health receive the accommodation report as presented.**

Carried.

Kevin Eccles joined the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

Arlene Wright joined the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

## **8.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Municipality of South Bruce, Resolution: Wind Turbines
2. Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula, Resolution: Renewable Energy
3. Durham Region Health Unit, Resolution: Bill 143, The Hawkins Gignac Act
4. Durham Region Health Unit, Resolution: Put Food in the Budget Campaign
5. Perth District Health Unit Resolution: Bill 143, The Hawkins Gignac Act
6. Middlesex-London Health Unit Report: 2009 Infection Disease Control Program Budget
7. Ted Loughhead, OPSEU, Letter of Response
8. Bill Murdoch, Letter of Response - Bed Bugs
9. Note of Thanks from Bob Pringle

Moved by: Arlene Wright

Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

**THAT, the Board of Health receive the correspondence as presented by Dr. Lynn.**

Carried.

## **9.0 BOH Group Photo**

The meeting recessed at 10:25 a.m.

Bill Goetz left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Bob Pringle left the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

The meeting re-convened at 10:53 a.m.

## **10.0 REPORTS**

### **Medical Officer of Health –Dr. Hazel Lynn**

1. Board Report – April 2009
  - a. MOH Report – Lyme Disease Surveillance and Prevention
  - b. Strategic Planning – June 9
2. News Release: *Be a Breast Friend* – Salons are Spreading the Word
3. News Release: Positive Rabid Skunk
4. News Release: Stay Home When Sick
5. News Release: Public Assistance Request
6. News Release: Bruce Grey Trail Network to Host Geocaching Event

7. News Release: Grey Bruce Health Unit Achieves LEED Gold
8. News Release: Turn Off the Screens and Win
9. News Release: An Ounce of Prevention... The Roaming Scope Project
10. News Release: Celebrate Immunizations – A Cornerstone of Public Health
11. News Release: Students to be Suspended Under Immunizations of School Pupils Act
12. Network Agreement Planning Subcommittee (NAPS) Report – Gary Levine

Moved by: June Van Bastelaar                      Seconded by: Gary Levine  
**THAT, the Board of Health receive the reports as presented.**

Carried.

## 11.0 OTHER BUSINESS

1. Draft Resolution: Implementation of Full Funding of Dental Health Programs for Low Income Families

Moved by: Gary Levine                                      Seconded by: Arlene Wright

**WHEREAS** low income families in need of dental care to relieve pain and suffering require assistance now; and

**WHEREAS** Health Canada notes the connection between poor oral health and systemic disease and the links between oral health and general health as well as the fact oral disease itself can cause pain, tooth loss and bad breath; and

**WHEREAS** the Board of Health notes that Grey and Bruce Counties consist of a large number of families whom are in the agricultural sector and may not have access to dental benefits and/or dental insurances; and

**WHEREAS** access to dental care is largely determined by the ability to pay, consequently, household income and insurance coverage are powerful determinants of dental care visits; and

**WHEREAS** families residing in Grey and Bruce Counties, as well as low income families throughout the province of Ontario, require immediate access to dental care in order to improve opportunities to support optimal health,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Health urge the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, to immediately implement and fully fund the dental health program for low income families as promised in the 2008 provincial budget; and

**FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable David Caplan, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, the Honourable Deb Matthews, Minister of Children and Youth Services, Chair, Cabinet Committee on Poverty Reduction, the Honourable Margaret Best, Minister of Health Promotion, our local members of Provincial Parliament, Dr. David Williams, Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, the Association of Local Public Health Agencies, Ontario Boards of Health, Ontario Medical Officers of Health, the Children's Aid Society of the County of Bruce, Children's Aid Society of Owen Sound and the County of Grey, Owen Sound and District Dental Society and Wingham and District Dental Society.

Carried.

**12.0 ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE – Joan Tod**

1. Financial Report – February 2009

Moved by: June Van Bastelaar      Seconded by: Milt McIver

***THAT, the Board of Health approve the financial statements and reports for the month of February 2009, as presented by Joan Tod.***

Carried.

**13.0 STAFF PRESENTATION**

Synopsis of 2008 Health Protection Activities, Jos Moerman

Dr. Lynn left the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

**14.0 ADJOURNMENT**

By motion of Milt McIver, Larry Kraemer adjourned the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Friday, May 15, 2009, 9:30 a.m. – Grey Bruce Health Unit, Owen Sound

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Larry Kraemer  
Chairperson

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Dr. Hazel Lynn  
Medical Officer of Health

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Sharon Edwards  
Recording Secretary