Renfrew County and District Health Unit

"Optimal Health for All in Renfrew County and District"



Board of Health

Executive Committee Meeting, via GoToMeeting

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

The meeting of the Executive Committee of Renfrew County and District Health Unit's Board of Health was held via *GoToMeeting*. All Members participated by video.

Present:

Peter Emon Chair
Ann Aikens Member
J. Michael du Manoir Member
Jane Dumas Member
Christine Reavie Member
Carolyn Watt Member

Staff:

Marilyn Halko Executive Assistant (Secretary)

01. Call to Order

P. Emon called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

02. Agenda Approval

The agenda was approved, as presented.

Resolution: # 1 EC 2021-Oct-06

A motion by A. Aikens; seconded by C. Reavie; be it resolved that the Executive Committee approve the agenda, as presented.

Carried

03. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

04. Delegations

There were no delegations.

05. Minutes of Previous Meeting (Approval)

a. Approval of the meeting minutes from the Executive Committee meeting held on Thursday, June 17, 2021.

Resolution: # 2 EC 2021-Oct-06

A motion by C. Watt; seconded by J. Dumas; be it resolved that the Executive Committee approve the meeting minutes for Thursday, June 17, 2021, as presented.

Carried

06. Business Arising

a. Action List

The Items shown below in the Action List Parking Lot, will be addressed by the Committee in the future:

Parking Lot

Date	Section of Agenda/ Referral to Committee	Item		
2021-Feb-23	Executive Committee	Determinants of Health from Correspondence: a. CODE-COMOH School Nutrition b. COMOH Letter School Reopening c. alPHa Letter Paid Sick Leave d. Support for Bill 216 Food Literacy e. Paid Sick Leave during an Infection Disease Emergency f. Paid Sick Leave during COVID-19 and beyond 021-Mar-30 g. Paid Sick Days Reform Letter h. Mandatory Paid Sick Leave in Ontario i. CODE COMOH Student Nutrition Program Support 2021-May-25 j. Ontario expanding access to dental care and affordable prescription drugs for Seniors		

2021-Feb-11	Executive Committee	May 2021—for review—send letter re: 2021flu season—include access to flu vaccine		
2021-Feb-11	Executive Committee	Follow-up re: access to COVID-19 immunization for small rural communities		
2021-Feb-11	Executive Committee	Determinants of Health: • Guaranteed basic income • Paid sick leave • Housing • Access to a primary care provider in RC&D		
2021-Feb-11	Executive Committee	End of 2021—Lessons Learned during the COVD-19 Pandemic Preparing for the Next One		
2020-Oct-27	13. Closed	Consideration for Executive Sessions— referred to Governance Committee— January 2021 Reference material—alPHa Board of Health Governance Toolkit—on page 12		
2020-Sep-29	07. Correspondence	Guaranteed Basic Income in Throne Speech 2021-May-25 Basic Income for Income Security during COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond		

07. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

08. Staff Reports

There were no Staff reports.

09. Board Committee Reports

There were no Board committee reports.

10. By-Laws

There were no by-laws.

11. New Business

- a. 2021 Risk Management Plan—Governance Risks The Committee discussed the three governance risks identified in the 2021 Risk Management Plan—Governance Risks and developed the following recommended actions:
 - Item 7 a. Organizational Governance—absence of permanent MOH/CEO
 - 1. Continue to actively pursue a solution through ongoing discussions with Ottawa Public Health (OPH)
 - 2. Refer permanent MOH/CEO to the Governance Committee as a priority item for 2022.
 - ii. Item 1 e. Financial Risks—risk of change in provincial funding (process/ amount)
 - Continue to prepare a tight budget that still allows for the delivery of public health services to meet the needs of Renfrew County and District's residents
 - 2. Continue to advise funding partners of RCDHU's financial challenges
 - 3. Continue to put pressure on the government in an effort to reverse funding changes
 - 4. Continue membership by Board and Staff Members on associations that support and give a voice to the needs of rural Ontario, such as AMO, ROMA, alPHa and provincial Task Forces.
 - iii. Item 6 a. Political—risk of provincial re-organization of health and community services (i.e., change in government policy).
 - Continue to assess the needs of the residents of Renfrew County and District using the 13 criteria points for Public Health Modernization
 - 2. Continue to keep the MPP for Renfrew—Nipissing— Pembroke aware of the potential impact for rural Public Health Units because of Public Health Modernization
 - 3. Assess, advocate and explore the options available for Renfrew County and District in the Public Health Modernization Plan and Ontario Health Teams.

Resolution: #3 EC 2021-Oct-06

A motion by A. Aikens; seconded by C. Reavie; be it resolved that the Executive Committee recommends to the Board the adoption of the recommendations addressing the three priority risks: 7 a.—Organizational Governance, 1 e.—Financial Risks and 6 a.—Political.

Carried

12. Notice of Motion

There was no notice of motion.

13. Closed

There was no closed meeting.

14. Date of Next Meeting

The next Executive Committee meeting, at the call of the Committee Chair, will be held in early December 2021 or sooner.

15. Adjournment

Resolution: # 4 EC 2021-Oct-06

The Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

A motion by C. Reavie; seconded by J. M. du Manoir; be it resolved that the Executive Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

Carried

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These meeting minutes were approved by the Executive Committee at the meeting held on Wednesday, February 9, 2022.