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Health Unit**

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**BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THE
NORTHWESTERN HEALTH UNIT**

MINUTES of the Regular Board of Health Meeting
April 22, 2022
Electronic Meeting

PRESENT: Doug Lawrance – Chair, Trudy Sachowski, Sharon Smith, Jim Belluz,
Jerry O’Leary, Sally Burns, Shayne MacKinnon, Nicole Brown

IN ATTENDANCE:

Marilyn Herbacz, CEO
Kit Young Hoon, MOH
Lindsay Koch

GUESTS: Stephanie Cran, Acting Manager – School Health

REGRETS: Wendy Brunetta

ABSENT:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Doug Lawrance called the meeting to order at 8:33am.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion / Resolution: # 41 -2022 CARRIED	T. Sachowski S. Burns
THAT the Agenda for the Board of Health meeting dated April 22, 2022 be approved.	

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None declared.

4. CHAIR’S ACTIVITY REPORT

The Chair participated in Strategic Planning meetings this month.

5. MINUTES OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING, MARCH 25, 2022

Motion / Resolution: # 42-2022 CARRIED	T. Sachowski S. Smith
THAT the Minutes of the Northwestern Health Unit Board of Health meeting held March 25, 2022 be approved.	

Nicole Brown joined the meeting at 9:10am

6. IN CAMERA

Motion / Resolution: # 43-2022 CARRIED	S. Burns J. Belluz
<p>THAT the Board of Health moves to an in-camera session at 9:16am to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education Session for Board members (2 items) • A position, plan, procedure, criteria, or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the Board (1 item) • Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (1 item) 	

Stephanie Cran joined the meeting at 9:17am and left at 9:59am

Motion / Resolution: # 44-2022 CARRIED	J. Belluz S. Smith
THAT the Board of Health move out of in-camera at 11:36am to resume the regular meeting.	

7. aPHa UPDATES

8.1 aPHa Report

Trudy Sachowski shared information about the forthcoming aPHa Annual Meeting and Conference being held virtually June 13 and 14, 2022.

Trudy will be travelling to Toronto to attend aPHa meetings in early June.

Trudy has been asked to speak on a panel at an upcoming Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference alongside other public health representatives, in addition to attending the full conference in person.

Motion / Resolution: # 45-2022 CARRIED	J. Belluz S. MacKinnon
THAT the April 2022 aPHa Report be received.	

Motion / Resolution: # 46-2022 CARRIED	S. Burns J. O'Leary
<p>THAT the following Board of Health members be approved to attend the 2022 aPHa Annual Meeting and Conference to be held virtually, June 14, 2022, with all fees to be paid by Northwestern Health Unit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doug Lawrance • Trudy Sachowski • Wendy Brunetta 	

8. CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION

8.1 CEO & Finance Report *Marilyn Herbacz, CEO. Reference #2022.04.22-8.1; the report will be kept on file.*

Marilyn Herbacz shared highlights of her written report, noting that some upcoming travel for Trudy Sachowski for alPHa will appear on future statements, and that there is suitable budget to absorb this travel.

There was some consideration about the work NWHU Epidemiologists are doing linked to Nuclear Waste Management Ontario, which relates to requirements for statistics for private organizations to move forward on their projects. It is important to note that this engagement does not indicate Northwestern Health Unit’s support for or endorsement of any given project and is required under the Ontario Public Health Standards. A more detailed report to the Board on this work is forthcoming.

9.1 2022 Strategic Planning Updates *Marilyn Herbacz, CEO. Reference #2022.04.22-8.2; The Report will be kept on file.*

The Strategic Planning committee met to review the response to the various engagements done by LBCG and our Foundations team. 770 responses were received through the online survey for staff, partners, non-partner organizations and members of the public.

The Board and Leadership Council will come together with the consultants on May 30 and 31 to review the preliminary data.

The consultants have been working alongside the Foundations team and have done a great job keeping up with the proposed timeline.

<p>Motion / Resolution: # 47-2022 APPROVED</p>	<p>T. Sachowski S. Smith</p>
<p>THAT the Board of Health receive the following Corporate Administration reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022.04.22-8.1 CEO & Finance Report • 2022.04.22-8.2 Strategic Planning Updates 	

Marilyn Herbacz left the meeting at 9:15am

9. PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS

10.1 Medical Officer of Health Update *Dr. Young Hoon, Medical Officer of Health. Reference #2022.04.22-9.1; The report will be kept on file.*

Dr. Young Hoon updated the Board that the plan to catch up on school immunizations will be to do this almost three years of work over the next two years. There are some priority ages the teams are focusing on.

Dr. Young Hoon will begin bringing more program information to her updates as this work picks back up.

A presentation on local epidemiology was shared and is available on the Board SharePoint site.

At this time, mask mandates are a topic of discussion. It is expected that masking will continue in high-risk settings.

10.1 Provincial Election Informed Voter Campaign *Dr. Young Hoon, Medical Officer of Health. Reference #2022.04.22-9.2; The report will be kept on file.*

After some discussion, the Board agreed that non-partisan communication and campaign content could be a useful tool for voters.

It was also noted that the [alPHa Election Primer](#) will be shared with candidates.

Motion / Resolution: # 48-2022 CARRIED	J. Belluz T. Sachowski
THAT the Board of Health receive the following Public Health Program reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022.04.22-9.1 Medical Officer of Health Update • 2022.04.22-9.2 Provincial Election Informed Voter Campaign 	

10. IN PERSON BOH MEETING

Due to local epidemiology and the chance that we may see a surge of COVID-19 cases into the month of May, the Board agreed to meet virtually in May and defer an in person meeting to June.

Members are encouraged to participate in the alPHa Fitness challenge by engaging in 30 minutes of physical activity and sharing a photo with alPHa.

11. AMENDMENTS: None.

Trudy Sachowski shared recognition of member Nicole Brown who has been nominated for the 30th annual RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards - Women of Influence.

12. NEXT MEETING DATE

- Tuesday, April 26, 2022; 8:30 via Teams – Audited Financial Statements
- Friday, May 27, 2022; 8:30 via Teams
- Friday, June 24, 2022 - Kenora

13. ADJOURNMENT

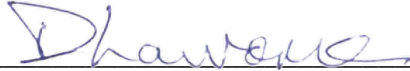
The Chair accepted a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:25pm.

Motion / Resolution: # 49-2022 CARRIED	N. Brown J. Belluz
THAT the Board of Health Meeting be adjourned at 12:25pm.	

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THE NORTHWESTERN HEALTH UNIT:

CONFIRMED AS WRITTEN

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MEETING CHAIR, BOARD OF HEALTH



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