

Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre

Meeting: Board of Directors Meeting

Date/Time: January 23, 2025, 9:00 am CST

Location/Delivery: Boardroom A & B/Microsoft Teams

Present: Ms. Sadie Maxwell (chair), Ms. Joyce Timpson, Mr. Darrell Morgan, Ms. Monica Hemeon, Ms. Kristen Carroll, Mr. Dennis Leney, Ms. Ramona Quequish, Dr. Lianne Finn, Ms. Cynthia Dwyer, Mr. Dean Osmond, Ms. Kathy Loon, Mr. Kevin Holder, Mr. Rob McClendon, Mr. Knowles McGill, Ms. Kyra Marshall (recorder)

Regrets: Ms. Terri Fiddler, Mr. Roy Spence, Mr. Mathew Hoppe, Ms. Patricia Keesickquayash, Ms. Leanne Tyler, Ms. Beatrice Anderson

Guest: Mr. David Newman, Mr. Brian Ktytor, Ms. Mary Carothers Bell of Ontario Health

An opening prayer was shared by Ms. Kathy Loon.

Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre (SLMHC) Financial Position

- A letter was sent to Ontario Health (OH) in November 2024 inviting OH to speak with the SLMHC Board of Directors about the financial position and future planning for SLMHC.
- The 2024-2025 budget has not been approved attributable to a large deficit.
- The 2025-2026 draft budget was presented detailing the challenges and pressures and the uncertainty to maintain financial accountability.
- OH noted they continue to advocate with the Deputy Minister (DM) and the Assistant Deputy Minister (ADM) and they are connected to the needs of SLMHC.
- The Ministry is trying to develop a funding model that is more substantial for the north. The Government of Ontario is saying we will deal with cash flow issues. On the revenue side from a sustainability perspective, these being the services required, further signaling on policy direction and program direction will be coming from the Government of Ontario in fiscal 2025-2026.
- OH will continue in their efforts for one-time funding supports.

Patient Story

A patient story was shared by Ms. Cynthia Dwyer.

Directors Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Mr. Darrell Morgan declared a conflict of interest regarding any financials pertaining to Morgan Fuels.

1.0 Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and approved as amended.

MOTION #01/25 it was moved by Mr. Knowles McGill that the Board of Directors approve the agenda of the regular meeting held January 23, 2025 as amended.
Seconded by Mr. Darrell Morgan. **CARRIED**

2.0 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held November 14, 2024

The minutes of the regular board meeting held November 14, 2024 were reviewed for errors and omissions and were approved as presented.

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MOTION #02/25 it was moved by Mr. Dennis Leney that the Board of Directors approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held November 14, 2024 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Darrell Morgan. **CARRIED**

3.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 N/A

4.0 Reports

4.1 Foundation

- The Foundation is waiting on the MRI announcement from the Ministry before we can proceed. The \$2.5 million commitment to the province has been established.
- Fundraising programs will continue as usual to allow the Foundation to meet our commitments.
- The Foundation is seeking new board members.

4.2 CEO

- Phase 2 of the Emergency Department (ED) renovations are well underway.
- The Ministry of Long-Term Care has announced \$2.5 million in planning grants for the 96 bed Long-Term Care facility. An RFP has been issued.
- At the request of MPP Sol Mamakwa and ADM James Stewart, Ministry of Long-Term Care he attended a tour of Stoney Creek, a long-term care facility to see the modular construction.
- OH requested additional information and a letter of support from a psychiatrist for the Schedule 1 Facility business case. Submissions have been completed.
- He attended the Northwest Ontario (NWO) Health Record Senior Leaders Kick Off in Thunder Bay. Meditech Expanse is expected to go live in 2027.
- Dr. Laurel Laakso has resigned as the Chief of Staff. Dr. Joseph Dooley has accepted the Acting Chief of Staff position until further notice.

4.3 VP Health Services & CNE

- She sits on the NWO Health Records Program Delivery board which oversees the whole region.
- We continue to be over census. We are funded for ten overflow beds but we are at 20.
- She continues to work with Human Resources (HR) to access every funding opportunity to bring in nurses. We are seeing an increase in our own staffed nurses in the ED and Med Surg.

4.4 Chief of Staff

- N/A

4.5 VP Indigenous Services, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion

- We are working with Sioux Lookout First Nation Health Authority (SLFNHA), the University Health Network (UHN) and Dr. Allan Morgan to set up Heart Specialist clinics in our area. The first clinic went well. Clinics are scheduled March 24 and 25, 2025 in Sioux Lookout and March 26 and 27, 2025 in Sandy Lake. Kiiwetinoong Healing Waters Ontario Health Team (KHWOHT) has funded \$15,000 towards travel. We are submitting new proposals to continue this work.
- Kyra Marshall is the new co-chair for KHWOHT.

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- The Regional Specialized Services Network (RSSN) is working on identifying priorities in our area.
- RSSN is hiring a Regional Indigenous Director.

5.0 Standing Agenda Items

5.1 Financial Update

- The financials were presented as of November 30, 2024.
- Expenses continue to be over budget due to staffing and agency cost.
- We are projecting a \$2 million deficit at the end of the year.
- Cash position has decreased.
- Fund Type 2 has a small surplus.

6.0 New Business

6.1 2025 Meeting Schedule

MOTION #03/25 it was moved by Mr. Rob McClendon that the Board of Directors approve the Board of Directors meeting schedule for 2025. Seconded by Ms. Joyce Timpson. **CARRIED**

6.2 Approval of Privileges and Credentialing per MAC Meeting December 12, 2024

- Privileges for physicians and allied health professionals were reviewed.

MOTION #04/25 it was moved by Mr. Darrell Morgan that the Board of Directors grant privileges to the physicians and allied health professionals listed and approved at the December 12, 2024 meeting of the Medical Advisory Committee. Seconded by Mr. Knowles McGill. **CARRIED**

6.3 Chiefs Council on Health (CCOH) Meeting Follow-up

- The CCOH requested a governance review of the board. Discussion will take place at the February 27, 2025 board meeting to look at an independence governance review.
- Patient complaint follow up to be discussed at the next meeting.
- SLMHC did not receive \$250,000 of provincial funding intended for a Board Governance Review. A written response to be sent to CCOH. **ACTION**
- A follow up meeting to be scheduled with SLMHC Board of Directors and CCOH. **ACTION**
- Health Governance to be discussed at the next meeting.

MOTION #05/25 it was moved by Mr. Darrell Morgan that the Board of Directors move this portion of the meeting in-camera. Seconded by Mr. Knowles McGill. **CARRIED**

MOTION #06/25 it was moved by Mr. Dennis Leney that the Board of Directors move this portion of the meeting out of in-camera. Seconded by Mr. Darrell Morgan. **CARRIED**

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8.0 For Information Only

- 8.1 Medical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes November 14, 2024
- 8.2 2025-2028 Strategic Plan

9.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2025.

10.0 Closing Prayer

Ms. Kathy Loon closed the meeting in prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.

MOTION #07/25 it was moved by Mr. Dennis Leney that there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 12:00 pm. Seconded by Mr. Darrell Morgan.
CARRIED

D. Osmond, Secretary
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S. Maxwell, Chair