

MINUTES
Etobicoke/York Local Health Committee

Date: Wednesday November 8, 2006
Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Location: Member's Lounge (399 The West Mall)

Present: Rhonda Roffey (Chair), Sue Huang (CHO), Linda Coltman, Marek Zarkowski, Hazel Stewart, Dennis Brooks, Mark Nakamura, Madalaine Asta, (minutes)

Regrets: Paul Das, Irene Jones, Marvin Temes, Wangari Muriuki

1.0 Review of Agenda

Approved as written.

2.0 Minutes of Last Meeting

Approved as written.

3.0 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Nothing reported.

4.0 Teen Pregnancy Advocacy

A table summary of issues from the Teen Pregnancy Form hosted in July 2006 was distributed. Each issue was discussed item by item. See attached summary for suggestions and recommendations made. Further action on the identified issues to follow:

ACTION: Hazel Stewart to explore (with MOH) the feasibility of conducting a Toronto research on sexual health practices in schools (what is happening in different schools; teen pregnancy rates, etc.) This maybe an opportunity to partner with University of Toronto in a wide range research.

ACTION: Sue Huang will arrange for staff from the Sexual Health Clinic to attend the next LHC meeting to answer some service and advocacy issues

ACTION: Sue Huang will work with staff in formulating a motion to Board of Health on breastfeeding issue for young parents. Note young parents on Ontario Works who are required to stop breastfeeding after 3 months to return to school while many mothers are given a year off to bond with their new infant.

ACTION: Rhonda and Women's Habitat to coordinate with staff from Jessie's regarding the feasibility of implementing a respite program for young mothers in Etobicoke.

5.0 LHC Structures

Debriefing of LHC evaluation from last meeting. No further action at this time.

6.0 Briefing notes about Budget (Budget Sub-Committee Recommendations)

Limited update available. Refer to BOH minutes for greater detail.

7.0 Board of Health Report

Nothing Reported.

Due to the Municipal Election November 13, 2006 Board of Health Meetings were suspended and will resume January 2007. Meeting dates will be announced at a later date.

8.0 Next Meeting

Date: Wednesday January 10, 2007

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: TBA

9.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Chair