

Approved

**Scarborough Local Health Committee
Monday, January 12th, 2009
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Scarborough Civic Centre – Committee Room 1**

Present: Vaij Chari, Heidi Sin, Linda Napier, Lucy Bonanno, Brian Hyndman,
Dr. Abdul Fattah, Haweiya Egeh, Saleem Haniff, Ed Castro, Dhinesh Sivananthan,
Colin Hughes
Toronto Public Health Staff
Jann Houston, Bessie Shaw, Jean Liburd (Minutes)

Regrets: Marisa Charles, Khaliq Jabbar

1.0 Review of Agenda

Item 5.0 Presentation on The Unequal City-Income and Health Inequalities in Toronto Report and Item 6.0 CINOT program expansion deferred to next meeting. Other Agenda items were approved

2.0 Approval of Minutes – November 10, 2008

The Minutes of November 10th, '08 were approved (Lucy and Brian moved Seconded)

3.0 Business Arising from Minutes

3.1 Environmental Reporting Disclosure and Innovation Program by-law

Vaij reported that the Environmental Reporting Disclosure and Innovation Program by-law has been approved.

3.2 Developing advocacy guideline Workgroup

Vaij reported that the Advocacy Guideline Workgroup will be meeting on 22 January 2009.

Action: Bessie to send meeting date/time to Haweiya.

3.3 Wind power community meeting

Colin shared information received from area Councillor in the Community Newspaper regarding Toronto Hydro's decision to consider the use of wind power. Discussion followed regarding the location, noise pollution and environmental impact. Members inquired of the possible role that Toronto Public Health could play in creating some guidelines. It was mentioned that Toronto Public Health was viewed as an unbiased source of knowledge.

Action: Jann Houston to collaborate with Bessie Shaw and check with Healthy Environments to arrange a presentation to the Local Health Committee.

4.0 Board of Health

4.1 Updates

Jann updated members on the following Board of Health Agenda items:

Ontario public Health and Toronto Public Health Standards, Trans Fat Regulation, Toronto Public Health Capital Budget, Pandemic Flu Preparedness, Aids Drug Grant, and Smoking around Playgrounds and other areas in City of Toronto Parks.

There was discussion around the provincial funding of the School Nutrition Breakfast Program. Heidi asked if any evaluation showing the benefits have been done.

Action: Jann to provide feedback

4.2 Bedbugs

The topic of Bedbugs control was raised. There were questions around cleaning assistance for seniors. Jann advised members about the Toronto Public Health services for the control of bedbugs which were available to the Public.

Action: Jann to collaborate with Bessie and provide feedback on cleaning requirements for Landlords.

4.3 SLHC Minutes

Vaij inquired of the delay in submission of the SLHC Minutes to Board of Health

Action: Jean to follow-up

5.0 The Unequal City-Income and Health Inequalities in Toronto Report

Deferred to the next meeting

6.0 CINOT program expansion of dental program

Deferred to the next meeting

7.0 Public Engagement – Working Group (Action for Neighbourhood Change – Partnership)

Tracy is in the process of arranging a date.

8.0 Other Business

8.1 SCAN (Scarborough Civic Action Network) - Vaij reported there was a great response to the SCAN Summit and that a report is being drafted which will be coming out soon. Members were also informed that Colin Hughes is the chair of SCAN.

9.0 **Next Meeting Date:** February 2nd, 2009 – Committee Room 1