

**APPROVED MINUTES**  
Scarborough Local Health Committee  
Monday May 31st, 2010  
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
Scarborough Civic Centre – Committee Room 2

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**Present:**       Haweiya Egeh, Heidi Sin, Linda Napier, Saleem Haniff, Vaij Chari (Chair)  
                  Dr Abdul Fattah  
                  Toronto Public Health Staff  
                  Jann Houston, Bessie Shaw, Jean Liburd (Minutes)  
                  Guest Observer: Jeyasingh David

**Regrets:**       Khaliq Jabbar, Ed Castro, Marisa Charles

**1.0    Welcome/ Introduction**

Introductions were made around the table.

**2.0    Agenda Approval**

The Agenda was reviewed and approved by Haweiya and Heidi

**3.0    Approval of April 26th Minutes**

The Minutes of April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010 were approved by Saleem & Heidi

**4.0    Business Arising**

**4.1    The Scarborough Hospital Community Advisory Council**

Bessie informed members that the CAC had indicated that one or more of their members will attend the next SLHC meeting.

4.2       Vaij provided information on the Health Assessment & Referral Centre located at 2863 Ellesmere Rd, Scarborough and the Clinic for the Uninsured at 3000 Lawrence Ave E., Scarborough

4.3       Brochures for outreach

Copies of the SLHC Brochure were requested by members present.

**Action (s):**       Bessie to have requested copies of the brochure printed for members.

4.4       ANC

Bessie informed members that an ANC representative had agreed to attend the June meeting.

**Action: (s):**       Haweiya to connect with Bessie re: contact for ANC

4.5       Jann informed members that a link had been forwarded to members on wind turbines for their information.

**5.0    Board of Health**

Jann gave a brief overview of the following topics going forward to Board of Health: - Toronto Food Strategy: Cultivating Food Connections, 2009-2010 PH1N1 Influenza Pandemic Summary Report, Influenza Immunization Rates of Healthcare Workers in Toronto Healthcare Facilities, Results of Follow- up of Previous Audit Recommendations, Sole Source Contract for the Provision of Proprietary Software Purchases, Professional Services, and Software Maintenance from CSDC Systems Incorporated, Phase-out of Coal Fired Electricity and Special Diet Allowance (SDA) Program

**5.1 Special Diet Allowance**

Vaij mentioned that a group will be going before the Board to have the Special Diet Allowance reinstated. SLHC Members are in agreement for continuation of the Special Diet Allowance program. Haweiya asked if it is possible to access the report on the findings of the program.

**Action: (s)** Vaij will look into accessing a report on the findings of the program

**6.0 New Business**

**6.1 Champion Awards Selection Committee**

***Member appointment***

Vaij asked for a volunteer to sit on the Champion Awards Selection Committee. Heidi and Abdul expressed interest and inquired of the scheduled meeting dates

**Action: (s)** Vaij to email meeting dates to members

**6.2 Food Strategy – Working with other LHCs**

Vaij provided a copy of the report and suggested Members read the report to prepare for discussion at the next meeting on some practical ways to work with the community and maximize LHC effectiveness.

**Action: (s)** Vaij will forward the link to members.

**7.0 Guest/Observer – Feedback / Response to questions**

**The following questions were asked of SLHC**

**How does LHC communicate with B.O.H?**

**What is the role of the Local Health Committee?**

Vaij explained the function of the Board of Health and the Local Health Committees.

Guest viewed LHC as a good forum to begin discussions

Guest will communicate his interest in being a member of the SLHC to Vaij via email.

**8.0 Next Meeting:** June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010  
Committee Room #2