



Canadian Mental
Health Association
Niagara
Mental health for all

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 19, 2024

at 5:30pm

George's Greek Village, 535 Queenston Street
St. Catharines

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Present: Andrew Bassingthwaighte, Fred Cipryk, Peter Fraser, Kelly Pilato, Faith Scott, Chris Ventura (Chair)

Staff: Tara McKendrick (Executive Director)

Regrets: Timothy Nelles, Clayton Roenspiess

Recorder: Sherry Falconer (Executive Assistant)

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT

No conflict of interest was declared.

AGENDA

Moved by: Kelly P.
Seconded by: Faith S.

That the Agenda for the Board Meeting of December 19, 2024, BE APPROVED as circulated.

Carried.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING

Moved by: Fred C.
Seconded by: Faith S.

That the Minutes of the Board Meeting dated November 21, 2024, BE APPROVED as circulated.

Carried.

REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Tara M. provided additional comments to her Report from the Executive Director. Today the grant was approved for \$71,000 for the third team for MCRRT in the Welland/Pelham area, but would have to be used by March 2025, which is not doable. Tara met with the NRP to use these funds in another creative way. The IS Manager position has been filled by Aleksander Popovic; he starts on January 6, 2025. Clinical Manager will be reposted tomorrow, since there were no successful applicants from the current posting. The All-Branch Meeting was very successful, and Tara will share the feedback with the board once it is review and collated.

Moved by: Andrew B.

Seconded by: Kelly P.

That the Report from the Executive Director, dated December 19, 2024, BE RECEIVED for information.

Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Kelly P.

Seconded by: Peter F.

That the Consent Agenda items from the Committee of the Whole meeting, dated December 19, 2024, BE RECEIVED for information.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

Reminder to all members to complete the meeting survey which the link will be sent tomorrow morning. Everyone thanks Tara and Sherry for their hard work through out the year. A special meeting to approve the bylaws to be held in January 2025.

NEXT MEETING

The next combined Committee and Board meeting will be held January 16, 2024, at 5:30 pm, at 264 Welland Ave., St. Catharines.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.