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**THE KAWARTHA-HALIBURTON CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING**

Thursday, April 20, 2006

5:00 p.m.

1100 Chemong Road, Peterborough, Ontario

Walter Johnstone (**Chair**)
Jack Watkins
Shelley Matthews
Wayne Thomson, FP Rep
John Connolly
Mollie Cartmell

Robert Pierson
Garry Herring
Faye McGee
Pina Melchionna
Tom Flynn
Leslie McRae

Bill Wellman
Bill Howe
Linda Gendron
Robin Read

Jill Watrich

(Staff)

Hugh Nicholson, Executive Director
Linda Mitchelson, Director of Child Protection Services

Recorder – Laura Ross

1. Call to Order
2. Correspondence
Included in Board package
3. Approval of Agenda
(b) Conflict of Interest – none identified
4. Business Arising
No items raised.
5. Executive Directors Report

In addition to the E.D. Report that was distributed:

- Wayne Thompson raised the issue of the change in policy re change in smoking.
- This is a program specific policy change.
- Hugh suggested that the issue be raised at the liaison meeting.
- It was decided that this is not a Board decision. This issue would be raised at the liaison meeting.
- Hugh discussed the rising number of children in care. This time of year the numbers generally rise. We have programs and interventions that should be reducing the numbers of children in care.
- Increase in the numbers of young offenders has contributed to the rise, but cannot be considered as the complete reason for the elevation of numbers.
- The Agency will be reviewing this issue in depth over the next quarter.
- Hugh will likely bring this issue back to the Board at the next meeting.
- New risk assessment model being introduced by the Ministry that will be field tested.
- Capacity Building – meeting will take place tomorrow with the ministry. The government has provided money that will go to community agencies, to help with support for the agency and in turn lower the numbers of children being brought into care.
- Kinship Conference took place on April 3rd and 4th. Linda reported that there were very inspiring speakers present at the Conference.

- Integrated Adoption Strategy is well under way and the recruitment process for a Manager to oversee the project has begun.
- Spending at the end of the year - We are expecting a 200,000.00 surplus.
- Spending took place at the end of the fiscal year to offset the surplus.

6. Finance and Resource Committee Report

Turnover rate of 2.1%, which is excellent in comparison with other agencies.
 Carolyn distributed the highlights of the document that was distributed to the Finance Committee.
 Carolyn copied a few of the pages that represent the major points that Carolyn wanted to discuss.
 See attached document with first page that reads "Updating of Funding Model Key Elements"

Motion #1

Motion to accept the verbal report of the Finance Committee
 Moved by Bill Wellman Seconded by Tom Flynn Carried

7. Strategic Positioning Committee

Jill provided a verbal report. There was no quorum available, information only session.
 Update of Bill 210
 Age of Consent – Federal legislation – Update
 Partnership with YES, discussion regarding the benefits and risks involved with our association the YES move

Motion #2

Motion to accept the verbal report of the Strategic Positioning Committee
 Moved by Jill Watrich Seconded by Leslie McRae Carried

8. Agency Governance Committee Report – No report

9. Discussion of AGM (Annual General Meeting)

- Format for the am this year. We have used venues outside out the agencies, since staff recognition and fop recognition at different functions.
- This year it will be a much lower key event – doing it lunchtime event at the Boardroom.
- Must maintain a report coauthored by the Ed and the president. Add will still be in the paper. The board has agreed that the meeting will take place at 5:00. Picture of Walter on the wall.
- Board has agreed to try this new plan.

10. Foundation Board Report

- Wine action was held at the Holiday Inn – very successful event.

11. New Business

- Jack asked to walk the Board through the strategic plan at the next board meeting
- Joan Conrad's secondment has been extended to December 2006

12. Adjournment

Motion #3

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by Lesley McRae