



Wasauksing Health Committee Minutes
Tuesday, October 12, 2021
5:30pm-7:00pm
Wasauksing Administration Meeting Room

Community Committee Members:

Pazhe Rice;
Lisa Tabobondung;

Staff Resources:

Deborah Pegahmagabow, Director of Health;

Recorder:

Rachel D. Pegahmagabow, Health Bookkeeper

Regrets:

Brent Tabobandung, Chief Councillor;
Dora Tabobandung;
Elizabeth Taylor;
Christina Vasiliou

Health Update Session

1. Agenda- Review and Acceptance

No review and acceptance.

2. Minutes- Review and Acceptance

No review and acceptance.

3. Health Director Updates:

Program Updates:

- **Traditional Wellness Program:**
 - Mariah returned as the Traditional Wellness Coordinator, Faith is her assistant.
 - Skirt making sessions are happening on Saturdays at the Hub.
 - Hospital Healing Room:
 - Friendship centre is using the space currently.
 - Mariah and Faith to establish dates of use.
- **Regional Mental Wellness Program – Ntam Nishnabeg Jiigbiig:**
 - A website to come and videos to be available for viewing.
- **Primary Health Care:**
 - 10 cellphones were purchased and given to the Mental Wellness Team, Primary Care and Medical Transportation for use during working hours.

- **Health Committee Terms of Reference:**
Action Item: Deb to shorten T.O.R., to be reviewed.

- **Health Committee Members**
 - Call out for health committee to fill youth and resource spots.
 - Youth up to age 30.**Action Item:** Deb to send notice for call out.

COVID-19 Update:

- COVID-19 reporting from Director of Health now twice a week- Monday and Friday.
- Around 76% vaccinated on Wasauksing as of September 2021, likely more.
- In last stages of a vaccination policy being written then to be passed for Wasauksing First Nation.
- FNIHB will be doing vaccinations for ages 5-11.
- Deb currently writing list for boosters and flu vaccinations.
 - Boosters and flu shots can be given at the same time.
- Emergency Response Team
 - Email ert@wasauksing.ca and doh@wasauksing.ca with summary of event, number of people, and the space size.

Staffing Update – Health

- Mariah Atatise-Jourdain has returned as the Traditional Wellness Coordinator
- Amanda Maliska has returned as the RPN on modified duties.
- Brenda Wilkinson to return from short term leave on modified duties, PSW contract job posting to be taken down.
- Lisa Gregory is the RN Case Manager, she may fill the CDE RN role until the end of pandemic.
- Lisa Nyland has left the position CDE RN, position is posted.
- ADOH position closed on October 8, 2021- waiting to hear from HR on next steps.

Health Building Addition:

- Separate public health area will be added to building instead of c-cans.
 - C-cans will be used for storage
 - Testing machines will be moved inside from c-cans.
 - Testing machines are for covid-19, strep, and flu.
- Spring 2022 is the projected completion date.

4. Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 5:00pm