

MIDDLESEX-LONDON BOARD OF HEALTH

REPORT NO. 23-24

TO: Members of the Board of Health
FROM: Matthew Newton-Reid, Board of Health Chair
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BOARD OF HEALTH CHAIR ACTIVITY REPORT FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 23-24 re: "Board of Health Chair Activity Report for January and February" for information.

The following report highlights activities of the Middlesex-London Health Unit's Board of Health Chair for the period of January 18 – March 7, 2024. The 2024 Board of Health Chair is Matthew (Matt) Newton-Reid.

Categories for the Board Chair's Activity Report are outlined in Governance Policy G-270 - Roles and Responsibilities of Individual Board Members, Appendix B (Chair and Vice-Chair Responsibilities).

Leadership - *Guides and directs Board processes, centering the work of the Board on the organization's mission, vision and strategic direction*

February 8 Met with MP Peter Fragiskatos with the Medical Officer of Health (MOH) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) on priorities for newcomer funding to public health

February 9 Met with MP Arielle Kayabaga with the MOH and CEO on priorities for newcomer funding to public health

February 16 Participated in the Board of Health Section Meetings at the Association of Local Public Health Agencies Winter Symposium

Agendas - *Establishes agendas for Board meetings, in collaboration with the Medical Officer of Health (MOH) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO).*

January 11 Participated in the January agenda review meeting with the Vice-Chair, MOH,

CEO and Executive Assistant (EA) to the Board of Health

February 8 Participated in the February agenda review meeting with the Vice-Chair, MOH, CEO and Executive Assistant (EA) to the Board of Health

Meeting Management - *Presides over Board meetings in a manner that encourages participation and information sharing while moving the Board toward timely closure and prudent decision-making*

January 18 Presided over the January Board of Health meeting

February 15 Presided over the February Board of Health meeting

MOH and CEO Relationship - *Serves as the Board's central point of official communication with the MOH and CEO. Develops a positive, collaborative relationship with the MOH and CEO, including acting as a sounding Board for the MOH and CEO on emerging issues and alternative courses of action. Stays up to date about the organization and determines when an issue needs to be brought to the attention of the full Board or a committee*

January 11 Participated in the January Executive meeting with the Vice-Chair, MOH and CEO

January 18 Monthly meeting with the MOH

January 18 Monthly meeting with the CEO

January 18 Monthly meeting with the EA to the Board of Health

February 8 Participated in the February Executive meeting with the Vice-Chair, MOH and CEO

February 15 Monthly meeting with the MOH

February 15 Monthly meeting with the CEO

February 22 Monthly meeting with the EA to the Board of Health

Committee Attendance - *Serves as an ex-officio voting member of all committees*

February 15 Participated in the February Finance and Facilities Committee meeting

This report was prepared by the Board of Health Chair.



Matthew Newton-Reid
Board of Health Chair

This report refers to the following principle(s) set out in Policy G-490, Appendix A:

- The good governance and management standard as outlined in the [Ontario Public Health Standards: Requirements for Programs, Services and Accountability](#).

This topic has been reviewed to be in alignment with goals under the Middlesex-London Health Unit's [Anti-Black Racism Plan](#) and [Taking Action for Reconciliation](#), specifically the Governance and Leadership (ABRP), Governance (TAFR) and Awareness/Education (TAFR) sections.