

**Tłı̨chǫ Community Services Agency**  
**Special Board Meeting Minutes - Teleconference**  
**August 24, 2020**

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**In Attendance:** Ted Blondin – Chairperson  
Alex Nitsiza – Vice Chairperson and Whatì Representative  
Henry Gon – Gametì Representative  
Janita Etsemba – Behchokò Representative  
Noella Kodzin – Wekweetì Representative

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**Executive and Staff:** Shannon Barnett-Aikman, Chief Executive Officer  
Sara Nash, Director of Health and Social Services  
Rose Jiang, Director of Corporate Services  
Mary Jane Wedzin, Manager of Finance

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**Regrets:** Linsey Hope, Director of Education

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**Call to Order – 10:03am**

The meeting was called to order at 10:03am. Chairperson Ted Blondin welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Opening Prayer**

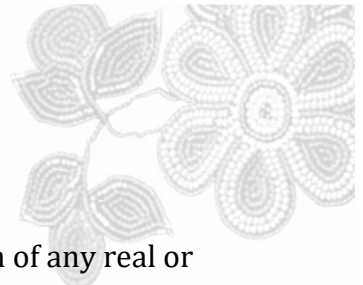
Ted Blondin led the TCSA Board in an opening prayer.

**Approval of Current Agenda**

***Be it resolved that the Tłı̨chǫ Community Services Agency Board approves the agenda for August 24, 2020 as presented. Moved by: Janita Etsemba. Seconded by: Alex Nitsiza. Motion Carried Unanimously.***



## Declaration of Conflict of Interest



To perform good governance, TCSA Board meetings begin with a declaration of any real or perceived conflict of interest by board members. Conflict of interest declarations help ensure public confidence in the Board as they make decisions that affect strategic and

financial actions of the TCSA. Conflict of interest declarations are recorded in the meeting's minutes.

The respective Northwest Territories Conflict of Interest Act states:

2. (1) *Where a member, either on his or her behalf or while acting for, by, with or through another, has any direct pecuniary interest*

*(a) in a contract or proposed contract with the municipality or board,*

*(b) in a contract or proposed contract that is reasonably likely to be affected by a decision of the council or board, or*

*(c) in a manner in which the council or board is concerned,*

*and is present at a meeting of the council, board, or committee of the council or board at which the contract, proposed contract or other matter is the subject of consideration, the member shall, as soon as practicable after the commencement of the meeting, disclosed his or her interest and the extent and nature of the interest, and*

*(d) Shall not take part in the consideration or discussion of, or vote on any such question with respect to, the contract, proposed contract, or other matter, or attempt in any way whether before, during or after the meeting to influence the voting on any such question.*

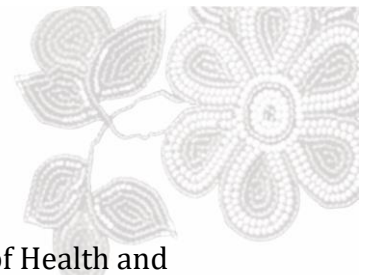
2. (2) *Where the interest of a member has not been disclosed as required by subsection (1) by reason of his or her absence from the meeting referred to in subsection (1) or by reason of the interest having been acquired or having come to his or her knowledge after the meeting, the member shall disclosed his or her interest and otherwise comply with subsection (1) at the first meeting of the council, board or committee that he or she subsequently attends.*

**No conflicts of interest were declared relevant to the agenda for this meeting of August 24, 2020.**





## 2019-20 Health and Social Services Annual Report to the GNWT



The Chief Executive Officer, Shannon Barnett-Aikman, and Director of Health and Social Services were present to provide an overview of the written 2019-20 Annual Report to the Government of the Northwest Territories. The format of the report remains consistent with the annual report presented to the Tlicho Assembly at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Gathering.

Information that was shared to the Assembly in both hard copy and via slide deck presentation has been amalgamated together into hard copy for submission to the GNWT. The Board members discussed and provided positive feedback regarding the report as presented.

### 2019-20 Health & Social Services Audited Financial Statements

Rose Jiang, the Director of Finance & Corporate Services, was present to present the 2019-20 audited financial statements for the Health and Social Services programs. Key highlights include:

- The operating deficit for this year was ~ 5.7%.
- Cost drivers are primarily grounded in:
  - overtime within our community health centers
  - the cost of ambulance services

### 2019-20 March 30, 2020 Audited Financial Statement for Education

Mary Jane Wedzin , Manager of Finance, was present to present the 2019-20 audited financial statements up to end of March 31, 2020 for the Education program. A more fulsome review of the audited statements will be shared during the September Board meeting up to end of June 30, 2020 (fiscal year end for schools). Key areas of discussion include:

- Active After School funding / Sports activities
- Jordan's Principle funding and specifics of expenses including:
  - Expanded speech language therapy through contracted services
  - Expanded occupational therapy through contracted services
  - Expanded mental health and wellness through contracted services





**Motion to Approve the 2019-20 Health and Social Services Annual Report with Audited Financial Statements**

***Be it resolved that the Tłı̨chǫ Community Services Agency Board moves to approve the 2019-20 Health and Social Services Annual Report with Audited Financial Statements as presented. Moved by: Alex Nitsiza. Seconded by: Janita Etsemba. Motion Carried Unanimously.***

**Closing Prayer**

Noella Kodzin led the TCSA Board in an closing prayer.

**Meeting Adjourned – 12:30pm.**

***Be it resolved that the Tłı̨chǫ Community Services Agency Board closes the August 24, 2020 meeting on August 24, 2020 at 12:30pm. Moved by: Henry Gon. Seconded by: Alex Nitsiza. Motion Carried Unanimously.***

  
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Chairperson Signature

September 8, 2020  
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Chief Executive Officer Signature

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