MONITORING REPORT - POLICY EL5

To:

Thunder Bay Counselling Board of Directors

From:

Nancy A. Chamberlain

Re:

Policy Type:

Executive Limitations

Policy Title:

Emergency Executive Succession

Date:

May 1, 2019

In order to protect the Board from sudden loss of chief executive services, the Executive Director may not have fewer than one other person familiar with Board and chief executive issues and processes.

I interpret this to mean that should the Executive Director suddenly be unavailable to the Centre, all board activity and agency programs and services would continue to function in a successful manner on a temporary basis. People appointed to provide emergency executive succession services need to be familiar with all agency issues and processes.

In accordance with this, I have insured that in the case of an emergency, the Director of Business and Finance, Allane Danchuk, is able to assume all of the responsibilities of the Executive Director. In addition, our leadership team is comprised of knowledgeable program managers with specific areas of responsibility. All managers are familiar with and have a working knowledge of all agency policies and procedures as well as Program Standards and Guidelines.

The following will provide guidance in the event of an emergency:

- 1. If the Executive Director was suddenly unable to fulfil the responsibilities of the position, the Director of Business and Finance would immediately advise the Chair of the Board.
- 2. The Director of Business and Finance, in consultation with the Board Chair, would develop a short-term plan that included formally assigning the responsibilities of the Executive Director to the Director of Business and Finance and have this plan approved by the Board of Directors.
- 3. The Director of Business and Finance is familiar with and able to assume the responsibilities of the Executive Director in the Executive Director's absence. The Director has access to all board minutes, reports and correspondence as well as organizational plans for operations, risk and risk mitigation and business continuity.
- 4. The agency is stable, well managed and able to operate independent of an Executive Director for a brief period. There are no outstanding Human Resource or legal issues. The requirements of the Executive Limitation policies have been met as reported to the Board.
- 5. Financial details are available through the Director of Business and Finance. The Annual Budget for 2019/2020 is in process to be approved by the Board of Directors. Program budgets have been submitted where budget submission packages have been received. Approved signing officers are in place and the banking resolution provides for business continuity in the sudden absence of the Executive Director.
- 6. The agency's filing system is current, well organized and in most cases, electronic. All agency policies and procedures are readily accessible electronically to all staff. Correspondence for the previous and current year is easily accessible. Our computer system is backed up electronically off

- site and can be reconstructed as needed. The Director of Business and Finance has full access and authority to all information accessible to the Executive Director including personnel and fiscal information.
- 7. Managers of specific program and service areas are responsible for the successful operation of programs within established standards and guidelines and to comply with Service Agreements that pertain to their programs including adherence to reporting periods.

I certify this report to be a true account of information as of this date.

Signature:

Nancy Chamberlain Executive Director