

## **PRESS RELEASE**

At its regular board meeting of Thursday, October 4, the KDSB Board of Directors adopted the following motions:

- Approved a contract with Habitat for Humanity in Kenora as part of the Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) program being delivered in partnership with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing. The IAH is a ten year program designed to minimize homelessness and create additional affordable housing options in our region.
- Reviewed the implementation of the KDSB Non-Urgent/Non-Emergent Transfer policy designed to maximize land ambulance emergency resources. Meetings have been held with the four regional hospitals and a process has been designed to create options and engage the North West Local Health Integration Network (NWLHIN), the provincial air ambulance service (ORNGE) and the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care (MOHLTC) to create an integrated, comprehensive solution to this long term problem. The MOHLTC has declined to participate.
- Reviewed the 2012 activity in the KDSB 10 Year Housing Renewal Plan. Housing Services undertook a total of \$2.1 Million Dollars of work including \$100,000 of renewal assistance for our not-for-profit (NFP) housing partners at Aamikkowiish Housing in Kenora and the Red Lake NFP Housing Corporation.
- Reviewed energy production at the eight (8) MicroFit Solar installations at KDSB Housing project locations. The solar systems are meeting production, revenue and investment return targets.
- Adopted a resolution instituting Land Ambulance Performance Standards required by the Province of Ontario. **(\*) Target Response Times are established by the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care.**

<b>PERFORMANCE STANDARDS</b>		
<b>Patient Condition</b>	<b>Target Response Time(*)</b>	<b>Performance Target</b>
Cardiac Arrest	6 minutes	45%
Resuscitation	8 minutes	60%
Emergent	15 minutes	70%
Urgent	15 minutes	75%
Less Urgent	20 minutes	75%
Non Urgent	25 minutes	75%

The Performance Standards details will be posted on the KDSB website.

The KDSB Land Ambulance ability to meet these targets is negatively affected by the requirement to undertake non-urgent/non-emergent transfers.