

MONTREAL ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS AND GENERAL HEALTH LEAGUE

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Montreal Anti-Tuberculosis and General Health League, held on Friday afternoon, June 24th, 1927, at four o'clock.

Present:- Sir Arthur W. Currie,
Dr. E.J.C. Kennedy,
Mr. Lyon Cohen,
Dr. W.H. Atherton,
Mr. Michael Hirsch,
Dr. J. Roddick Byers,
Dr. A. Grant Fleming.

The secretary notified the meeting that Dr. Reid, Mr. Colwell and Dr. Jarry had advised of their inability to be present.

The minutes of the last regular and annual meetings of directors having been previously circulated to members of the Board, these were taken as read and approved.

The managing director's recommendation that the report concerning the taking over of No. 7 Coursol St, be allowed to stand until September was concurred in.

The meeting was notified that the executive committee of the City Council had promised a delegation from the Health League that the annual budget of the municipal health department would be augmented by \$50,000.00.

Premier Taschereau has expressed a willingness to receive a deputation from the Health League. It was decided to wait until September before asking for a definite appointment with him.

The school commissions were furnished with copies of the resolution passed at the annual meeting concerning special classes. The Protestant Board have acknowledged receipt, expressing approval, but regretting that, for financial reasons, they are unable to provide special classes for the physically and mentally sub-normal children. No reply has as yet been received from the Catholic School Commission.

A letter from the Quebec Junior Red Cross was read. The Quebec Juniors forwarded the sum of \$25.00 to be used in buying milk for under-nourished children who are under the supervision of the Health League. This gift has been acknowledged with sincere thanks.

Following the reading of a letter from the Matron of the Laurentian Sanatorium, the directors expressed approval of the Health League's giving a week's training to nurses taking the special course in tuberculosis nursing at the Laurentian Sanatorium.

The meeting was advised that public health nurses had been appointed to give health teaching at the Old Brewery Mission and the Star Fresh Air Fund summer camps.

Correspondence between Mr. R.J. Mercur and the managing director concerning an amendment of the milk-by-law to provide for replacing special milk by certified milk was read. The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Mercur to the effect that the Health League has no intention to enter into a discussion concerning the uncalled for and unjustifiable criticism of the League. What the League has done is, in the opinion of the directors, the best that could be done at the time, and, so far as the milk by-law is concerned, any action the League may take in the future will be towards eliminating all raw milk.

The managing director reported that there was an excellent opportunity for some research work concerning typhoid carriers and the value of typhoid vaccine. He was instructed to take the necessary steps to further this research.

Approval was also given to arrange for the follow-up of babies vaccinated against tuberculosis, and it was decided to discontinue the services of the League in connection with the Royal Victoria Hospital chest clinic at a date to be arranged.

Approval was given to any steps leading to participation in the Christmas Seal campaign.