

# Board Highlights

September 28, 2016



## **Introduction**

The following are highlights from the Northern Regional Health Authority (NRHA) Board of Directors meeting held on September 28, 2016 at the Thompson Regional Office. Board Highlights are usually produced within a few days of Board meetings as a way to share timely information about the outcomes and decisions of each board meeting. The highlights are consistent with our commitment to communicate transparent and timely information with our stakeholders. The highlights are posted on the Region's website. For more information or clarification on any issue in these highlights, please contact Lloyd Flett, NRHA Interim Board Chair or Helga Bryant, CEO.

## **Call to Order and Opening Remarks**

Lloyd Flett called the meeting to order and invited Martha Jonasson to lead the opening prayer. Lloyd provided a summary of the recent Council of Chairs meeting held in Winnipeg. There was also a presentation on costs that health care incurs and discussions on value for money.

## **Board Education**

Lorraine Larocque, Laurie Vallance, Bev Hill and Hillary Cooper presented on the Public Health portfolio, providing an overview of the programs and services offered throughout the Region. During the presentation, the Board asked a number of questions of staff.

## **Local Health Involvement Groups**

Scott Hamel provided an update on recent LHIG activities. Evaluations have been submitted to MB Health and expecting changes will be coming forward to improve the groups to ensure the consultations are improved. No future meeting dates are set at this point.

## **Finance Committee Report**

The Board approved the financial statements for the four-month period ending July 31, 2016. The Board also approved the financial statements for the five-month period ending August 31, 2016. Following a recommendation from the Finance Committee, the Board approved Appendix 14 – Fiduciary Responsibility with no changes.

## **Governance Committee Report**

Following a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved Appendix 18 – Sample Board Agenda, as presented.

Following a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved Appendix 19 – Board Meeting Survey, as presented.

Following a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved Appendix 20 – Yearly Board Meeting Evaluation, as presented.

Following a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved Appendix 21 – Exit Interview, as presented.

## **CEO Evaluation**

The CEO provided a report indicating compliance with the Board's Executive Expectation policies. The Board received and accepted the report, finding the CEO in compliance. A presentation on the results of the CEO evaluation occurred during the in-camera portion of the meeting.

## **Executive Committee Report**

The Executive Committee reported that a letter indicating the successful conclusion of the CEO Evaluation from 2015-16 has been issued to the CEO. On a recommendation from the Executive Committee, the Board approved an extension to the CEO contract to December 31, 2020.

## **Monitoring Reports**

The Board approved the monitoring report, EE-4 Patients First Approach, as presented.

The Board approved the monitoring report, EE-5 Board Support for External Relationships, as presented.

The Board approved the monitoring report Northern Health Region Indicator Dashboard Monitoring Report July 2016, as presented.

## **Quality and Patient Safety Committee Report**

The Board debriefed on last month's patient experience tell her story regarding her personal experience within the Northern Health Region. The committee provided a verbal update on the Committee Workplan.

## **CEO Report**

At each meeting, the CEO presents a report based on the strategic directions as developed by the Board.

These strategic directions set the course of action for programs & services delivered in the Region. In addition, these directions also incorporate the priorities developed by Manitoba Health & the provincial priorities as committed to by the Manitoba government. A verbal update was provided to the Board. Highlights include:

- Dialysis; Winnipeg is requesting to increase capacity yet again of which we do not have capacity to support currently. We will accommodate the request as best as we can manage.
- KTC; attended a special forum on health and had good dialogue with George Neepin and John Spence. A leadership group will be established between KTC and the Region.
- Vacancies update; will be recruiting more primary care providers and have had recent interest in vacant Nurse Practitioner positions
- Respectful Workplace/Human Rights; one human rights complaint has been resolved as it has been dismissed due to lack of evidence.
- Update on the Cross Lake issues was provided to the Board as a follow-up item.
- The Board engaged in a question period with the CEO on the leadership report in which it was noted the EDIS delays may be an issue regarding continuity of care and must be monitored closely and may need advocacy from the Board in future.

## **Northern Health Region Foundation**

ER Day event held in Flin Flon with local businesses raising funds. The Co-op presented a cheque for \$5,000.00 and the mayor of Denare Beach presented a cheque for \$20,000.00 at the Emergency Department Sod Turning event recently held in Flin Flon. Recent discussions with appropriate parties regarding donation handling; package will be coming forward looking to authorize flowing of donations being held by the RHA to be flowed through the foundation to ensure wishes of the donor are honoured.

## **Northern Health Summit Update**

Planning is well underway for the event. The Board approved a budget of \$20,000 for the summit. Southcentral Foundation from Alaska are the Keynote speakers with a focus on the Nuka System of Care.

## **Community Engagement**

Upcoming dates include:

- The Northern Health Summit in The Pas Oct 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Split Lake in January TBD

## **Medical Assistance in Dying**

Scott Hamel reported that the WHRA has a section on their website dedicated to MAID which summarizes the requirements, eligibility, process etc. and can be found at <http://www.wrha.mb.ca/maid/>

## **Upcoming Meeting Dates**

Board meetings are open to the public (except in camera portions) & will rotate between the Region's major centres. The Board will utilize technology to reduce travel during the winter months & support Board members by making it easier to attend Board meetings closer to their home community.

Upcoming meeting dates are:

Oct 25	8:30 am – 4:15pm	Legion Hall, The Pas	Northern Health Summit
Oct 25	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Legion Hall, The Pas	Annual General Meeting
Oct 26	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	1st Floor Conference Room, The Pas Health Complex	Regular Meeting
Nov 29	8:30 am – 5:00 pm	Kikiwak Inn – Room B	Board Retreat
Nov 30	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	1st Floor Conference Room, The Pas Health Complex	Regular Meeting