

# Board Highlights

November 2016



## Introduction

The following are highlights from the Northern Regional Health Authority (NRHA) Board of Directors meeting held on November 30, 2016 in The Pas. 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 open, 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 the Cal Huntley, NRHA Board Chair or Helga Bryant, CEO.

## Board Education

The Board discussed the previous day's Board Retreat, providing feedback on the day and their individual observations on a number of aspects including the format, content, and suggestions for future retreats.

The Board reviewed the various committee Terms of Reference and expressed their preferences for Board Committee membership.

The Board received an overview of the electronic version of the Governance Manual, including the linked front page and search features.

## Conflict of Interest Declarations

No members declared a conflict regarding any item on the agenda.

## Appointments

The Board made the following appointments:

**Treasurer** - John Marnock;

**Secretary** – Helga Bryant;

**Audit Committee** – Elaine Kobelka (Chair), Cal Huntley, Chris Matechuk, Carrie Atkinson, and Wayne Hall.

**Aboriginal Health and Human Resources Committee** - Les Oystryk (Chair), Wayne Hall, Judy Kolada, Duncan Wong, Chris Matechuk, and Glen Ross.

**Finance** – John Marnock (Chair), Cal Huntley, Carrie Atkinson, Duncan Wong and Elaine Kobelka.

**Governance** – Anne Thompson (Chair), Cal Huntley, Chris Matechuk, Carrie Atkinson, John Marnock and Les Oystryk.

**Quality and Patient Safety** – Wayne Hall (Chair), Cal Huntley, Judy Kolada, John Marnock, Carrie Atkinson, Les Oystryk, Anne Thompson, Duncan Wong, Elaine Kobelka, Chris Matechuk, and Glen Ross.

**Executive Committee** – Cal Huntley (Chair), Carrie Atkinson, John Marnock, Wayne Hall and Elaine Kobelka.

## Finance Committee Report

Following a recommendation for approval by the Finance Committee, the Board accepted the financial statements for the seven-month period ending October 31, 2016. The Board accepted the Briefing Note on the Region's current financial condition.

Following a recommendation from the Finance Committee, the Board approved a borrowing resolution for The Pas Primary Care Clinic Major Capital Project in the amount of \$350,000 to increase the Line of Credit to \$600,000.

## Governance Committee Report

On a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved Executive Expectations policy EE-5 – Board Support & External Relations with no changes and the Board finds the CEO in compliance with the policy. On a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved Executive Expectations policy EE-4 – Patients First Approach with no changes and the Board finds the CEO in compliance with the policy. On a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved Governance Process policy GP-4 Board and Committee Expenses with changes, as presented.

### **Quality, Patient Safety Committee Report**

On a recommendation of the Quality, Patient Safety Committee, the Board approved the Northern Health Region Indicator Dashboard Monitoring Report for Sept 2016 and the Quarterly Patient Safety Risk Report for Quarter Two.

### **Monitoring Reports**

The Board accepted monitoring reports for Governance Process policies GP-1 Board Linkage with Other Organizations; GP-2 Board Planning Cycle; GP-3 The Cost of Governance; and GP-4 Board and Committee Expenses.

### **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 and services delivered in the Region. In addition, these directions also incorporate the priorities developed by Manitoba Health and the provincial priorities as committed to by the Manitoba government. A verbal update was also provided which included:

- An update on our partnership with OHA and confirmation of an upcoming joint meeting in February with the OHA Board;
- Thompson and The Pas Clinics are seeing some access issues that are being worked on with a couple of potential solutions;
- A Grand Opening for Hope North is being planned for the early part of next year.

### **Foundation Update**

The Foundation was recently advised it was successful in a grant request for \$10,000 from a major Canadian bank. An announcement is forthcoming.

### **Upcoming Meeting Dates**

Board meetings are open to the public (except in camera portions) and will rotate between the Region's major centres. The Board will utilize audio/video 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:

Jan 25, 2017	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Flin Flon General Hospital 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom	Regular Meeting
Feb 22, 2017	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	1st Floor Conference Room, The Pas Health Complex	Regular Meeting
Mar 22, 2017	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Thompson Regional Office Rm. 141 & 143	Regular Meeting