Board Highlights

February 2017

Introduction

The following are highlights from the Northern Regional Health Authority (NRHA) Board of Directors meeting held on Febraury22, 2017 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

Helga Bryant led a discussion regarding the Provincial Clinical and Preventative Services Planning for Manitoba report with a focus on applicable recommendations.

Helga Bryant provided information regarding the Health Sustainability & Innovation Review and indicated additional information would be forthcoming.

Lois Moberly led a discussion regarding the Home Care Provincial Review with a focus on its applicability to our Region.

Conflict of Interest Declarations

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

Appointments

The Board appointed Leslie Oystryk, Chris Matechuk and Carrie Atkinson to the Northern Health Foundation Inc. Board of Directors.

Finance Committee Report

Following a recommendation for approval by the Finance Committee, the Board accepted the financial statements for the ten-month period ending January 31, 2017. The Board accepted the accompanying Briefing Notes on the Region's financial condition.

Following a recommendation from the Finance Committee, the Board approved a borrowing resolution for the 2016/17 Specialized Equipment in the amount of \$568,161.07. Following a recommendation from the Finance Committee, the Board approved EE-2 Finances, IT & Asset Protection with no changes.

Governance Committee Report

On a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved GP-1 Board Linkage with other Organizations with no changes. On a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved GP-2 Board Planning Cycle with no changes. On a recommendation by the Governance Committee, the Board approved GP-3 Cost of Governance with no changes.

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 December 2016. On a recommendation of the Quality, Patient Safety Committee, the Board approved the Quarterly Patient Safety Risk Report as presented.

Monitoring Reports

The Board accepted monitoring reports for Appendix 22 Framework for Ethical Decision Making and BC-1 Board & CEO Relationship.

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:

- Mumps and TB reported in the Region with follow-up by Public Health;
- Patient handoffs from Emergency Department back to community;
- Notice of increased funding of dialysis in the Region;
- Clinical psychologist contracted to increase Regional service capacity.

As a part of the CEO report, Dr. Leigh Quesnel presented on the Region's most recent workplace audit results. Following his presentation, the Board entered into a quest and answer session with Dr. Quesnel.

Foundation Update

The Northern Health Foundation is wrapping up yearend for 2016 and issuing income tax receipts. The 2016 financial statements will be finalized so that the annual filing to CRA can be submitted.

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:

Mar 29, 2017	9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Thompson Regional Office	Regular Meeting
		Rm. 141 & 143	
April 26, 2017	9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Flin Flon General Hospital	Regular Meeting
		4 th Floor Boardroom	
May 31, 2017	9:00 am - 5:00 pm	The Pas Health Complex	Regular Meeting
		1st Floor Conference Room	
June 21, 2017	9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Thompson Regional Office	Regular Meeting
		Rm. 141 & 143	