# **Board Highlights**

January 2018

# Introduction

The following are highlights from the Northern Regional Health Authority (NRHA) Board of Directors meeting held on January 31, 2018 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 Cal Huntley, NRHA Board Chair or Helga Bryant, CEO.

# **Opening Remarks**

Cal Huntley welcomed members and called the meeting to order.

# **Board Education**

Board education consisted of a presentation by Glen Ross, Executive Director of the Opaskwayak Health Authority on the work being done in their primary care delivery using the NUKA Model of care. Following the presentation, the Board participated in a question and answer session and discussion with Mr. Ross.

The Board also reviewed the Mandate letter from the Minister of Health and discussed its implications of the current Health System Transformation efforts. Following that discussion, the Board directed that a letter be written to the Minister seeking a seat at the appropriate table to ensure the Region has adequate representation to support its budget development and planning processes.

#### **Conflict of Interest Declarations**

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

# Finance Committee Report

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Board approved: financial statements for the eight months ending November 30, 2017; the nine months ending December 31, 2017; a borrowing resolution for the 2017/18 Specialized Equipment valued at \$535,820.56; and the execution of a promissory note with the province in the amount of \$11,203,057.37. On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Board approved a deficit budget for 2017/18 as initially presented in August 2017, following the receipt of one-time operational and Saskatchewan reconciliation funding.

# **Governance Committee Report**

On the recommendation of the Governance Committee, the Board approved Governance Manual Part 4 and Appendix 17 CEO Position Description as presented, with no changes.

# Quality, Patient Safety Committee Report

The committee received the Northern Health Region Indicator Dashboard Monitoring Reports for October and November 2017.

# Monitoring Reports

The Board accepted monitoring reports EE 1 Primary Directives, EE 2 Finances IT & Asset Protection, EE 3 Managing Workplace Culture and Appendix 15 Skills Matrix. In addition, the Board approved the Northern Health Region Indicator Dashboard Monitoring Reports for October and November 2017.

# 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 offered to further enhance information contained in the CEO Report.

Provider for All – Dr. D. Mabin briefed the Board on the planning for a Moose Lake provider and provided an update on the vacancy rate of providers for the Flin Flon area. Following her presentation, the Board engaged in a question and answer session with Dr. Mabin. As part of their discussion, the Board directed that a letter be sent to the Minister of Health regarding the shortage of primary care providers in the Region.

Nursing Advisory Committee Regional Report - Helga provided the report to the Board and answered questions. Following her presentation, the Board approved the report as presented.

#### Northern Health Summit

The Board approve a report on the 2017 Northern Health Summit Report as presented.

#### Northern Health Foundation

Glenn Hildebrand provided a written update on the Northern Health Foundation's activities indicating that the Foundation provided a \$150,000 contribution to the Flin Flon ED Redevelopment project in December.

#### Local Health Involvement Groups (LHIG)

The Board appointed the following members to the Thompson and area LHIG: Lynda Wright, Joanne Pronteau-Bignell, Michele Nichol, and Paullette Simkins.

#### 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:

Feb 28, 2018	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	Thompson Regional Office Rm 141/143	Regular Meeting
Mar 28, 2018	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	Flin Flon General Hospital 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom	Regular Meeting
Apr 25, 2018	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	The Pas Health Complex 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor meeting room	Regular Meeting
May 30, 2018	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	Thompson Regional Office Rm 141/143	Regular Meeting