



MINUTES of the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** meeting held on **Thursday, January 10, 2019**, 17:00 hours, Auditorium, Met Campus, 1995 Lens Avenue, Windsor, Ontario.

PRESENT:

Dan Wilson, Chair
Lynne Watts
Leanne Leech
Genevieve Isshak
Penny Allen
Paul Lachance
Pam Skillings
Dr. Laurie Freeman

Michael Lavoie
Anthony Paniccia
John Leontowicz
Cynthia Bissonnette
Dr. Maureen Muldoon

Dr. Abdelrahman Elashaal (ex-officio, non-voting)
Dr. Joslyn Warwaruk (ex-officio, non-voting)
Karen McCullough (ex-officio, non-voting)
Dr. Anil Dhar (ex-officio, non-voting)
Dr. Gary Ing (ex-officio, non-voting)
David Musyj (ex-officio, non-voting)
Dr. Larry Jacobs (ex-officio, non-voting)

STAFF:

Executive Committee

REGRETS:

Arvind Arya Patricia France

1. CALL TO ORDER :

The meeting was called to order at 17:06 hours with Mr. Wilson presiding as Chair, and Ms. Clark recording the minutes. The Chair welcomed Dr. Larry Jacobs to the Board.

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None noted.

3. PREVIOUS MINUTES – December 13, 2018

The minutes of the December 13, 2018 Board of Directors meeting had been previously distributed.

MOVED by Mr. P. Lachance, **SECONDED** by Mr. A. Paniccia and **CARRIED**

THAT the minutes from the December 13, 2018 Board of Directors meeting be approved.

4. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT & CEO:

Mr. Musyj referred to his report and highlighted the following:

- a) Mr. Musyj spoke about the flu season, which is upon us. The major strain this year is H1N1 which was the strain from 2009; also known as the swine flu. It is very contagious and has been impacting the paediatric population. The existing vaccine has H1N1 built in as well as H3N2 which is mostly hitting the older population. When people get H1N1 they get really sick, particularly the children and they can get sick very fast. With H3N2, it is hitting the 20-50 year olds who are generally healthy, but they are getting sick as well.

Question: What are physicians seeing here at WRH concerning the older individuals?

Physician response: We have had four patients in ICU with H1N1. Vaccination is very important.

Physician comment: Numbers are generally down this year.

Mr. Musyj added that acuity this year is quite bad.

Physician comment: As well, a lot depends on the health of the patient.

Mr. Musyj added that there is still plenty of time to get the flu shot. The influenza season will go to March and April.

A Board member had previously challenged the Board members to get their flu shot and she heard from many who reported they got their shot.

Comment: The paediatric patients are all under 9 years old, so it is important for adults to be immunized so they do not infect children.

- b) Ms. McCullough spoke about how we are strengthening the culture of patient safety and quality. These improvements have been made in patient flow and care across the organization, with the creation of the command centres at both campuses and ongoing gains in the Patient Harm Index. Last December, we continued these improvements with Oculys – Stay Track boards that were launched for use in our care rounds across the Medical/Surgical units at both campuses. Oculys put our work into a digital system, whereas previously the daily patient care rounds were inputted on an excel spreadsheet. We are seeing some very good results.
- c) Mr. Musyj stated that Accreditation is coming in December 2019, when the Accreditors will be on site. We have a whole schedule getting ready for this. We examine how we are doing, especially in patient safety/patient quality. The last accreditation we had was during re-alignment so this will be a good check to see how we have done.
- d) Mr. Musyj referred to his report that outlined some of the Fundraising events coming up this year.
- e) He stated that Mayor Dilkens met with Premier Ford in London and he talked about the new acute care hospital so the Premier would recognize how important this is to our area. Gary McNamara, the new Warden for the County of Essex also spoke about this in his inaugural speech. We have to keep talking about it. We continue to work with the Ministry on moving this forward.

5. SCHULICH REPORT:

Dr. Jacobs presented his report.

- Dr. Jacobs reported on the changes underway in which the way students will be assessed; this will be a competency based model.
- The Awards of Excellence event will be April 09 at the St. Clair Centre downtown. He encouraged everyone to attend.

6. CONSENT AGENDA: None

7. NEW BUSINESS:

As Mr. Musyj had done at the beginning of the meeting, the Chair stated that this is an Accreditation year. As part of the process, the Board is asked to complete a 34 question survey. Ms. Clark will send an e-mail to the Board tomorrow containing the link to the questionnaire. This is similar in nature to the Board self-assessment that Board members completed last fall. Even though it indicates that the due date is February 15, the Chair was requesting it to be completed **February 08**. For the new Board members, they did not complete the Board self-assessment, so there may be areas they are unfamiliar with in this survey. The Chair completed it himself today and he cautioned the Board to read the questions carefully. He would like to see a high completion rate; it is the Board's input into the accreditation process.

8. BUSINESS ARISING:

The results of the Board self-assessment have not been brought to the Board yet. Once the Governance Committee meets and determines what issues need to be addressed, this will be included in a future Board meeting.

9. CORRESPONDENCE/PRINTED MATTER:

- Media Report

10. DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

Thursday, February 07, 2019, Met Auditorium

11. BOARD MEMBERS QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR NOTICES OF MOTIONS:

None.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, it was

MOVED by Ms. G. Isshak, **SECONDED** by Mr. P. Lachance and **CARRIED**
THAT the January 10, 2019 Board of Directors meeting be adjourned at 1736 hours.

Dan Wilson, Chair
Board of Directors

Cheryle Clark
Recording Secretary

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