

**MINUTES** of the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** meeting held on **Thursday**, **November 06**, **2014**, 1700 hours, Auditorium, 1995 Lens Avenue, Windsor, Ontario.

#### **PRESENT:**

Bob Renaud, Chair	Dr. Maureen Muldoon	Dr. Gary Ing (ex-officio, non-voting)
Pam Skillings	Ruth Orton	David Musyj (ex-officio, non voting)
Arvind Arya	Lynne Watts	Dr. Gerry Cooper (ex-officio, non-voting)
Patricia France	Dan Wilson	Karen McCullough (ex-officio, non voting)
Anthony Paniccia	Gay Wrye	Dr. Shobhana Patel (ex-officio, non-voting)
Yvan Poulin	Lisa Landry	Dr. Kristen Gyetvai (ex-officio, non voting)

#### STAFF:

**Executive Committee** 

#### **REGRETS:**

John Leontowicz	Dr. Sowmil Mehta (ex-officio, non-voting)
Leanne Leech	

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 1710 hours with Bob Renaud presiding as Chair and Cheryle Clark recording the minutes.

# 2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None noted.

#### 3. **PREVIOUS MINUTES – October 02, 2014**

The minutes of the October 02, 2014 Board of Directors meetings had been previously distributed.

#### MOVED by Ms. G. Wrye, SECONDED by Ms. L. Watts and CARRIED

THAT the minutes of the October 02, 2014 Board of Directors meeting be approved.

#### 4. **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT & CEO:**

Mr. Musyj referred to his written report, highlighting the following:

- It has been an active month at WRH aside from regular hospital operations. At the Met and Ouellette Campuses, we have been concentrating on training for the care of an ebola patient should one attend the hospital.
- Infection Control has been involved in the training of over 400 first line responders. We have to remember that we are not one of the designated hospitals in the province. If we get a case, we will send the patient to one of the designated hospitals. Under that theory, since it takes 24-48 hours to get a blood test back, we could have a

patient in our Emergency Department for 24 to 96 hours. We will have a team of 25 staff to take care of the patient during that time. There was too much risk in Dallas, as there were 80 staff members caring for the infected patient.

- When staff don the Tyvek type suits, they can only stay in them for about 30 minutes. Based upon that timeframe, we will run through about 100 suits per patient; a dramatic demand. As soon as the ebola outbreak was announced, healthcare facilities tried to purchase the suits. Some of the designated centres do not even have them for their staff. Apparently LHSC does not have any suits and they are a designated centre. We do have some suits for our staff but they are a little heavy, so we are looking at other types of suits.
- Mr. Musyj explained how bleach will kill the virus when someone vomits and that the vomit does not become airborne.
- There have been four patients diagnosed with ebola in North America. Since our last Board meeting, we had a table top exercise at WRH and we invited Public Health, EMS, LHIN and other hospitals, and we had five scenarios to consider. We went around the tables and discussed how we would deal with, and respond to the situations. About one week later, we put all of that it into action and we had four mock code orange exercises – two at each campus each day. The Ministry of Labour indicated they were going to come and visit us on Nov. 04 and we scheduled two mocks on Tuesday and they participated in the de-briefing. Overall, it went very well, including the mock exercise on Tuesday. The interaction between EMS and the hospital was good and our ER staff was eager to jump in and address the patient. With an ebola patient, you have to slow it down a bit though, and protect yourself and your colleagues. We are sourcing some of our equipment through different ways and we will work on that. Overall, we are in a good position because of our CBRN stock.
- We participate in regular calls each week with the LHIN on ebola. Should a patient arrive, we have to call public health immediately. As well, we will continue to have ongoing Tyvek training. Some of our staff worked with EMS on donning and doffing the suits. We are well prepared.

# 5. TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Paniccia reported, referring to the document included in the package.

- As of September 2014, WRH had a net deficit of \$1.6 million, better than plan.
- Next month there will be a re-fresh of the budget as the funding has come in from the Ministry, so we will have more accurate numbers and we will see our true funding dollars.
- WRH is in good shape after one full year post re-alignment.

# 6. **REPORTS:** None

# 7. CONSENT AGENDA:

i) Finance/Audit & Resources – October 27, 2014

**MOVED** by Mr. A. Arya, **SECONDED** by Mr. D. Wilson and **CARRIED THAT** the report of the October 27, 2014 Finance/Audit & Resources Committee meetings be accepted.

- 8. NEW BUSINESS: None
- 9. BUSINESS ARISING: None

### **10. CORRESPONDENCE/PRINTED MATTER:**

i) Media Report

The Chair announced that Ms. Wrye has recently accepted a position on the OHA Board. She stated it was an honor to be a member of the OHA Board.

**11. BOARD member Questions, Comments or Notices of Motions** None

#### 12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday, December 11, 2014

#### **13. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to discuss, it was

**MOVED** by Mr. A. Paniccia, **SECONDED** by Mr. D. Wilson and **CARRIED THAT** the November 06, 2014 Board of Directors meeting be adjourned at 1750 hours.

Bob Renaud, Chair Board of Directors

Cheryle Clark Recording Secretary

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