

WRHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING PUBLIC MINUTES February 28, 2023

DATE: Tuesday, February 28, 2023
TIME: 9:00 am - 10:15 am
PLACE: Virtual - Teams

PRESENT: **Board Members**

Pat Solman, Chair	Patti Ramage
Jennifer Moncrieff (arr.9:16 am)	Carole Urias
Dr. Scott Mundle	Vanessa Everett
Brenda McInnes (virtual)	Mark Stewart (arrived 9:18 am)
Netha Dyck	Julie Bubnick
Adekunle Ajisebutu	Frank Koch-Schulte

GUESTS: (Public Member, Ben McGillivray)

REGRETS: Dawn Daudrich, Dr. Glen Drobot

PRESENT: **Management Members**

Mike Nader	Kerstin Jordan
Dan Skwarchuk	Mary Anne Lynch
Tara Lee Procter	Ingrid Botting
Jane MacKay	Scott Sime
Dr. Joss Reimer	

- 1. Call to Order**
Pat Solman called the meeting to order at 9:04 am.
- 2. Statement of Acknowledgement of Indigenous Ancestral and Territorial Lands**
Pat Solman read the Statement of Acknowledgment of Indigenous Ancestral and Territorial Lands.
- 3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**
There were no conflicts of interest reported.
- 4. Approval of the Agenda**
The Public Agenda was accepted as circulated
- 5. Board Chair's Remarks**
The Chair welcomed Mr. Ben McGillivray, a member of the public, to the meeting. Jennifer Moncrieff, a longstanding member of the WRHA Board whose term expires at the end of March, 2023, was thanked for her service to the Board, and to her outstanding work as Chair of Resources Committee.
- 6. CEO**

6.1. CEO Report

The CEO provided an overview of the COVID numbers in Winnipeg, highlighting that there has been a slight uptick in COVID related hospitalizations in the last couple of weeks. The Region is monitoring the situation closely. The surgical backlog numbers were also reported as increasing over pre-pandemic volumes.

There was brief discussion about the patient experience scores on the regional real-time surveys, as the uptake has been good and of those accessing services, the scores have been consistently high in terms of satisfaction. The region continues to work with Shared Health to develop a standardized tool for patient experience across the province.

The Board was updated on the recruitment mission to the Philippines, and informed that 3 WRHA clinical leaders, and a retired leader, participated in the recruitment.

There was discussion of the challenges the region continues to have with emergency wait times and access and flow. The last few days have seen a considerable spike in volumes and in response to Board questions, the CEO reported that the high volumes in ER have been some of the sicker patients (CTAS 1,2 and 3). Several actions are underway to improve performance and Management is monitoring progress closely.

6.2. WRHA Board Dashboard Report

The Board was provided with the Dashboard to assist the Board in its oversight and monitoring role.

7. Financial Reporting

7.1. YTD Financial Report and Forecast Report (Dan Skwarchuk)

7.2. Summary Budget, 2023/24 (restated)

The revised Summary Budget was provided to the Board for approval prior to submission to government. The Board was reminded that Resources Committee did a detailed review of the restated Budget on February 16, 2023. Some of the impacts on the Budget revisions include wage settlements, access and flow initiatives, and expenditures related to the Stevenson recommendations. The Board was reminded that an order-in-council was passed moving assets to Shared Health, Health Sciences Centre, Health Sciences Centre Ancillary, and Digital Health.

RESOLVED that the WRHA Board approves the Summary Budget, 2023/24 with amendments, for submission, and subject to Ministerial approval

Carried by all

8. WRHA Strategic Plan

8.1 Strategic Plan, 2023/28 (formatted) -- for information (Scott Sime and Mike Nader)

The Board was presented with a formatted version of the completed 5-year Strategic Plan. Management reported high satisfaction with the end product, and highlighted the excellent engagement of many stakeholders in the process,

including employees, partner organizations, community groups, and other entities. The Chair thanked Management for the enormous effort involved in producing the plan and emphasized to the Board that this was done internally. The Board will send a letter to the staff involved in the effort as a recognition of the work. An action plan is being put in place to track progress on the goals and objectives and to ensure continuous engagement of stakeholder and partners in the work to achieve the goals. The Board requested further information on Management's plans of reporting to the Board on progress.

9. Board Committees

9.1. Quality Patient Safety and Innovation (QPSI) (Scott Mundle)

The Chair of the Committee reported that the Committee met on January 13, 2023.

9.2. Resources Committee (Jennifer Moncrieff)

The Chair reported that the Resources Committee met on February 16, 2023.

10. Public Minutes December 13 2022

RESOLVED that the Public Minutes of the meeting of December 13 2022 be approved

Carried by all

11. Resolutions

12. Adjournment of Public Agenda

The Public meeting was adjourned at 9:51 am

13. In-Camera Session

The meeting moved to the In-Camera portion of the meeting at 10:15 am

14. Date of Next Meeting: April 25, 2023