

4.0 Business Arising:

4.1 The presentation of the “Sustainability of the Health Care System” Report has been rescheduled to the March meeting of the Board – Tuesday, March 26, 2013. Colleen will be in touch with Co-Chairs to prepare for presentation.

5.0 New Business:

5.1 Colleen provided a background context for the topic of “Promoting Advance Care Planning” topic that the Councils will begin exploring tonight. Council members did receive a background paper and links to resources on the internet to review prior to the meeting.

5.2 The terms, “health care directive” and “advance care planning” were clarified.

5.3 Council members provided thoughts and feedback on the following questions:

- What are the challenges in discussing end of life issues with family members, friends?
- What would make it easier to discuss end of life issues with family members, friends?
- Based on your discussions, are there ways that the WRHA can encourage people to think about advance care planning while considering faith and culture?

5.4 Next steps – Council members to work through the advance care planning workbook on their own or with family member/friend in order to provide feedback on what worked well, if they found any parts difficult to understand, and any suggestions for improving the workbook. We will be discussing organ/tissue donation at the second meeting on this topic and the report will be presented at the All Councils Meeting on May 8th.

6.0 Other business:

6.1 Recruiting new members for the Councils. Colleen shared that recruitment is underway for all six CHAC’s and that she would appreciate help in sharing information and encouraging people to apply. She also shared information about the Mental Health Advisory Council and about the development of a Home Care Advisory Council. She will send out an email with recruitment information and links to on-line applications. Council members are welcome to invite people who are interested in applying to our last meeting – just let Colleen know.

6.2 Next meeting – Monday, March 18th at 3401 Roblin Blvd.

6.3 Shawn Feely shared that the Red Cross is undertaking a needs assessment targeting seniors and seniors’ organizations to assess whether a health equipment loans program is needed.

6.4 Members asked to fill out meeting evaluation forms.

7.0 Meeting was adjourned at 7:32pm