



Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Date: February 8, 2024	Location: Training Centre Classroom/Virtual	Chairperson: Brent Lundy	Admin Support: Tanya Sumner
Time Meeting Called to Order: 5:06 p.m.		Time Meeting Adjourned: 6:34 p.m.	
Present:			
Boutette, Rita, LWDH Board Director Davidson, Tim (via Teams) Arrived at 6:00 pm Forsyth, Denise (guest) – Arrived at 5:12 pm Haney, Logan, LWDH Board Director Johanson, Nancy, LWDH Board Director Kantola, Rod, LWDH Board Director Lundy, Brent, LWDH Chair of the Board Moore, Dr. Sean, Chief of Staff		Mymko, Mark, LWDH Board Director (via Teams) O’Flaherty, Cheryl, VP of Operations and CFO Olson, Dr. Meghan, Vice President of Medical Staff (via Teams) Racette, Ray, President and CEO Richardson, Fred, LWDH Vice Chair Robertson, Lori, LWDH Board Director Rizk, Dr. Jean-Marc, President of Medical Staff (via Teams)	
Regrets/Absent:			
Balajadia, Kaye, VP of Patient Services and CNO Brown, Nicole, LWDH Board Director Bulman, Robert, LWDH Board Director Chapman, Charlene, LWDH Board of Director			

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. Call to Order	B. Lundy, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.	Called to Order
1.1. Attendance and Welcome	B. Lundy welcomed all attendees to the meeting.	Information
1.2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands	The traditional lands of the Anishinaabe of Treaty Three and the Métis Nation were acknowledged.	
1.3. Approval of Agenda	Moved by L. Haney and seconded by F. Richardson that the regular meeting agenda be approved as circulated.	Motion # 24/2/1 Carried
1.4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest	None.	None Declared
2. Consent Agenda	Moved by N. Brown and seconded by R. Bulman that the Consent Agenda be approved as circulated: Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1. Board of Directors: December 14, 2023 (draft) 2.2. Governance and Nominating Committee: January 30, 2024 (draft) Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.3. President and CEO Report 2.4. Chief of Staff Report 2.5. VP Operations and CFO Report 2.6. VP Patient Services and CNO Report 2.7 Resumption of NOW ICU Access to Manitoba – Adult Patients 2.8 Echocardiography QIP Certificate of Accreditation 2.9 Loss of Kenora Community Hospice Unit at Pinecrest Home 2.10 Proposed WestJet Scheduled Service to the Kenora Airport 2.11 Media Release and Call to action to address the needs of the unsheltered in Kenora 	Motion # 24/2/2 Carried
3. Education	Changes Recovery Home Integration Status and Confirmation of LWDH Board Support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denise Forsyth, Director of Mental Health and Addictions Programs presented on the status of Changes Recovery Home. • Documents were submitted to Ontario Health North on January 5, 2024. • The Ministry of Health has 90 days to respond to the integration. • Motion to approve the Changes Recovery Home integration. • Next steps include a letter of support from the LWDH Board of Directors. 	Discussion/Decision Motion # 24/2/3 Carried



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4. Strategy Items 4.1. <u>Quality and Patient Safety:</u> 4.1.1. LWDH Staffing Crisis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed update provided by service area. Reporting a further decline in the overall vacancy rate. Some specialty areas continue to have a higher vacancy rate (i.e. ICU). Update provided on the graduates of the RN programs being offered jobs by LWDH. Discussion regarding the increased cost for LWDH regarding agency nurses. 	Information
4.1.2. ED Closures and Strategies to Mitigate Closure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Briefing Note provided. Still a very tough position with the LWDH Emergency Department (ED). The staff have been terrific, and the ED hasn't closed for one shift, even though there have been close calls. LWDH continues to rely more on external locums as we have been unable to recruit. If the incentives run out, LWDH will no longer continue to have locums to take the shifts. If the incentives that have been extended to March 2024 are not extended, LWDH will no longer have locums take shifts. As of April 1, LWDH may face continuous closures as without the funding it is not sustainable to stay open. It is a risk to continue to lean on the local doctors. 	Information
4.2. Strategic Planning Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A draft strategic plan will be provided for the March board of directors meeting. 	Information
4.3. Maintaining Services at Lake of the Woods District Hospital	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion regarding a letter that was written and sent to Brian Ktytor, Chief Regional Officer at Ontario Health North after the Medical Staff meeting raised urgent matters involving the Emergency Department and MRI Services. Further updates will be provided from Government officials and shared. 	Information
5. Decision Items 5.1 Recruitment of New Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There will be two Director vacancies by the AGM. The application process was discussed, and further conversation will take place regarding removing barriers, such as providing a resume. How to advertise the positions was discussed. The Communications Lead will be involved to ensure we include all platforms. 	
5.2 Report on Board Attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board attendance was discussed. Important to communicate regrets when unable to attend a meeting as it is tracked as absent if there is no notification. Setting up a Teams channel is another way to communicate. Further conversation to take place regarding a group chat. 	
5.3 Self-Nomination Process for the Board Vice-Chair Position	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The self-nomination process will be used for the upcoming Vice-Chair position in June. 	
5.4 Briefing Note: Professional Staff Privileges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion by R. Kantola and seconded by N. Johanson to approve the Professional Staff Privileges – Regional Ordering as recommended by the Credentialing Committee in accordance with the Professional Staff Bylaws. 	Motion # 24/2/4 Carried
6. Next Meeting	Thursday, March 14, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in the Training Centre Classroom or Microsoft Teams.	Information



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7. Adjournment	Moved by R. Kantola and seconded by L. Haney that the regular meeting be adjourned at 6:34 p.m.	Adjourned

Brent Lundy, Chair

Ray Racette, President & CEO