



REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY
CHURCHILL, MANITOBA R0B 0E0 CANADA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday March 30, 2006
Boardroom @ 1600 Hours

PRESENT:

S. Kernaghan, Board Member
J. Massan, Board Member
V. Flett, Treasurer

ALSO PRESENT:

M. Lessing-Turner, Chief Executive Officer
B. Sigurdson, A/ COO Finance
K. Grant, COO Social Service and Planning
D. Martens, COO Clinical Services
V. Brew, Director Human Resources

TELECONFERENCE:

R. Penwarden, Chair (arrived at 4:45 p.m.)
P. Kabloona, Board Member

REGRETS:

D. Macri, Vice-Chair
J. Brown, MB Health Liaison
B. Tattuinee, Board Member

RECORDER:

K. McGregor, Executive Assistant

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

V. Flett assumed the role of meeting chair in the absence of R. Penwarden. She called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m.

2.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda under 13.0 New Business

- 13.3 Medical Transportation to and from airport.
- 13.4 Hiring Procedures for separately funded services.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Resolution 16/06

Moved by J. Massan, seconded by S. Kernaghan that the Board accept the agenda of March 30, 2006 with additions. CARRIED

4.0 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolution 17/06

Moved by S. Kernaghan, seconded by J. Massan to accept the Board of Directors minutes of March 30, 2006 as presented. CARRIED

5.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

5.1 Support for Seniors Activities Update (from December 2005)

K. Grant provided the following update in regards to the Support for Seniors Activities:

- The taxi program has been very successful and we have been approved for additional funding for the 2006/2007 fiscal year.

- In regards to free pool passes for seniors who are 55+, he is waiting for statistics in regards to usage. There were reports that usage in this area has increased.
- The Aboriginal Friendship Centre would like to partner with the CRHA to plan events for aboriginal days
- The Royal Canadian Legion would like to partner with the CRHA to host senior's card games.

6.0 COMMITTEE SUBMISSIONS

6.1 NPTP Minutes – January 19, 2006*

The January 2006 NPTP minutes were distributed for information. There were no questions or concerns. M. Lessing-Turner added that medivac audits have not been completed for some time due to the physician situation. D. Martens has completed a medivac audit covering June – December 2005.

7.0 CEO MONITORING REPORTS

7.1 BP-B-70 General Executive Constraint

M. Lessing-Turner reviewed monitoring report BP-B-70 General Executive Constraint. There have be no deviations from the policy.

Resolution 18/06

Moved by S. Kernaghan, seconded by J. Massan that the Board accept CEO Monitoring Report BP-B-70 General Executive Constraint as presented. CARRIED

8.0 POLICY VIOLATIONS

There were no policy violations to report

9.0 BOARD SELF EVALUATION

9.1 BP-C-40 Governance Commitment*

The policy was reviewed and the board is in compliance with policy BP-C-40 Governance Commitment.

10.0 POLICY CHANGES

There were no policy changes to review

11.0 EDUCATION

There was no education to discuss.

12.0 COMMUNICATION

12.1 Chairman's Report

DEFERRED

12.2 Nunavut Members' Update

P. Kabloona reported that he has received an invitation to meet the Manitoba Minister of Health in Rankin Inlet in early April. There has been no further information from the Minister of Health

and Social Services in Nunavut in regards to who will be the third Nunavut member of the CRHA Board of Directors.

12.3 Chief Executive Officer's Report*

M. Lessing-Turner reported that the second meeting of the Churchill Health Centre Health Services Development Working Group has taken place. The meeting focused on tightening up the action plans developed at the first meeting. The task leaders are now meeting with their individual teams to develop and implement these plans. The next meeting is scheduled for April 13th to review progress to date.

She stated that we are receiving more mental health patients from Nunavut. Previously, there were concerns about boarding these patients (and in some instances their families) for extended periods of time, but it seems to be working out nicely. D. Martens distributed a graph outlining the increase in utilization of mental health services.

M. Lessing-Turner reported on Strategic Planning day. Staff and community members were pleased with the day's outcome. There was good discussion around our mission and vision that the board can review to update the vision statement

The Children's Centre Co-ordinator has arrived and the Centre has gone through a licensing report. The Regional Daycare Co-ordinator seemed encouraged by the positive steps that have been taken in the centre.

M. Lessing-Turner and R. Penwarden attended the Premier's Economic Advisory Council (PAEC). She participated in the session about centre of excellence and R. Penwarden participated in the session about IT Resources. The Government will be coming out with a position paper, which will be made available to the Board.

12.4 Chief Operating Officer Finance Report*

B. Sigurdson reviewed the financial report. She noted that the Children's Centre is at a \$4,915 dollar deficit right now.

12.5 Chief of Staff's Report

No Report

12.6 Chief Operating Officer Clinical Services Report*

D. Martens reviewed her written report. She added that one of the Public Health Nurses was awarded the Primary Health Care Nurse position.

She reviewed her submitted summary of the Regional Diabetes Program and update of the MANQAP review for diagnostic services. A number of recommendations came out of the MANQAP review and this summary provides an update on each of the recommendations to date.

J. Massan stated that she was informed that treaty patients are no longer covered by FNIB for podiatry services. She is concerned about the negative impact this will have in regards to the essential foot care of diabetic patients. M. Lessing-Turner reported that she contacted FNIB to convey our concerns in regards to the impact to our patients and that we were not notified of this change directly. FNIB did not have the CRHA on their mailing list. We have been added to the list and will be notified of any future changes to coverage.

ACTION:

The Board will send a letter to FNIB stating their concerns in regards to this issue.

12.7 Chief Operating Officer Planning & Social Programs Report*

K. Grant reviewed his written report. He added that the Receiving Home had an inspection. It went very well with a few suggestions to follow through on.

In regards to EMS, the 911 system will be coming into place in Churchill in May 2006. We have purchased a new pager system that will integrate us into the 911 system. Emergency calls will now go directly to the EMS workers, not through the Nursing Station.

12.8 Director Human Resources Report*

V. Brew reviewed her written report and added that the collective agreement was signed.

K. Grant complimented V. Brew for the excellent job she did in hiring daycare staff. He said that the two new staff members are excellent.

12.9 Audit Committee Report

There was no Audit Committee Report.

13.0 NEW BUSINESS**13.1 Traditional Healing (MMF)**

K. Grant reported that Thompson MMF workers will be in Churchill on April 6th, 7th and 8th. There will be a smudging ceremony for Dancing Sky residents. Posters and radio announcements for advertisement will be going out shortly.

M. Lessing-Turner added that they would be holding a membership drive, promoting youth program development and educational opportunities for Métis. They are looking at putting a metis outreach person in place in Churchill.

R. Penwarden joined the meeting at this time (4:45 p.m.)**13.2 Annual General Meeting date**

After a discussion it was decided that the Annual General Meeting would be held on September 29th, 2006.

13.3 Medical transportation to and from airport.

It was reported that local Taxi companies are smoking while transporting patients to and from the airport after hours.

ACTION:

M. Lessing-Turner will write a letter to the local taxi cab companies requesting that their staff do not smoke while transporting patients.

13.4 Hiring procedures for separately funded services.

There was a discussion about the hiring procedures for separately funded services. M. Lessing-Turner stated that because these services are being offered within our facility, we should be requesting that our Human Resources department be involved in the hiring process.

ACTION:

M. Lessing-Turner will contact the head of this separately funded service to discuss this issue.

14.0 CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

There was no correspondence / information to discuss.

15.0 CONSENT AGENDA

15.1 Clinical Privileges: Amanda Marshman, Student Midwife*

In response to concerns of a Board member, M. Lessing-Turner provided an overview of a medivac involving this student midwife.

Resolution 19/06

Moved by S. Kernaghan, seconded by: J. Massan that the Board approve the Clinical Privileges of Amanda Marshman, Student Midwife. **CARRIED**

16.0 ADVISORY COUNCIL INFORMATION

There was no Advisory Council Information

17.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

18.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on April 27th at 4:00 p.m.

19.0 ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 20/06

Moved by J. Massan, seconded by S. Kernaghan to adjourn the meeting of March 30, 2006 at 5:05 p.m. **CARRIED**