

**SIOUX LOOKOUT MENO-YA-WIN HEALTH CENTRE
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2009
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Present: Mr. Frank Beardy, Mr. K. Koivukoski, Co-Chairs, Mr. J. Brohm, Mr. A. Brown, Mr. J. Fiddler, Ms. M. Hoey, Mr. T. Jewell, Mr. K. McGill, Mr. M. Ningewance, Ms. D. Roundhead, (via teleconference), Mr. R. Spence, Dr. T. O'Driscoll, Dr. B. Russell-Mahoney, Mr. R. Walker, Mr. D. Semple, Ms. B. Linkewich, Mr. G. Hill, Ms. H. Cromarty, Ms. R. Southwind, Ms. R. Demetzer (Recorder)

Guests: Mr. M. Metatawin, Deputy Grand Chief, Nishnawbe-Aski Nation

Absent: Mr. John Cutfeet, Mr. J. Kakegamic, Ms. S. Maxwell, Chief J. Meekis, Mr. L. Tait, Mr. D. Moynihan

1. AGENDA

The agenda had been distributed and was reviewed. The order of items was rearranged.

MOTION #035/09

Moved by Mr. R. Spence that the board of directors approve the agenda for the September 3, 2009 regular meeting as amended. Seconded by Mr. T. Jewell.

CARRIED

2. NEW BUSINESS

**2.1 Hospital Annual Planning Submission (HAPS)/
Health Sector Accountability Agreement (HSAA)**

- Mr Hill provided an explanation of the second round of negotiations with the LHIN on the multi-year HAPS/HSAA agreements.
- It was asked where the board committees join the process. Mr. Hill advised that the RUC does a lot of the work as does the Patient Services Committee.
- All information on budgets and programs is to be provided to the LHIN by the end of October.
- The LHIN also wants the hospital to engage with its community partners in this process.
- The process is made more difficult by the fact that we do not know what percentage increase, or decrease, to work toward. The province has not informed the LHINs of the funding available for the next fiscal year.
- The LHIN does not recognize that a sector of its area may be seeing growth in programs. We will have to adjust for that through our existing funding.
- Concern was expressed that the LHIN is not interested in dealing with partners outside of hits mandate.
- It was noted that the board is still committed to the terms of the four party agreement, which has a federal component to it. It is important to engage NAN in this process and the entire four party table.

2.2 CEO Replacement

- Board members would be aware by now, that Mr. Walker is resigning his position as President and CEO to take up the same position at the Timmins and District Hospital at the end of November.

- An RFP for search firms has been put out and ad hoc recruitment and selection committee is being formed to find a new CEO. It is expected the process will take four to five months.
- An interim CEO will be required.
- The board was asked to complete three questionnaires that asked what they thought the duties of the CEO and the board should be, what the most important tasks of the CEO were and the qualities that were required in a CEO.

2.3 Physician Negotiations

- Physician negotiations for an alternate payment plan with the Ministry of Health are ongoing.
- A governance model was presented to the negotiating group that shared governance between the already existing boards of the health centre and the health authority and provided for physician representation. This model was endorsed by the chiefs at their meetings this week.
- The Ministry of Health presented an alternate governance model that asks for a new governing body to be developed that is equally divided between the hospital, the health authority and the physicians. This model is endorsed by the physicians, the OMA and the Ministry of Health.
- The executive committee of the board met yesterday and recommended an endorsement of the model of governance favoured by the chiefs.
- Dr. O'Driscoll provided a presentation outlining both models. She suggested the board endorse the model that does not call for a new governance structure.
- Dr. Russell-Mahoney spoke, as the president of the medical staff, stating that she felt she hadn't had enough time to prepare a presentation on behalf of the physicians and felt a vote on the motion should be delayed until the next meeting.
- A lengthy discussion took place.
- It was noted that a quorum had not been achieved at the meeting.

MOTION #036/09

Moved by Dr. T. O'Driscoll that the board of directors supports its roles in a model of governance for physician services. These roles will include:
participating in an integrated regional service delivery model of health care for community and hospital based services in the Sioux Lookout region;
providing strategic direction to the Alternate Payment Plan management association;
providing fiduciary and accountability responsibility to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care; and
providing contractual arrangements with physician(s) or physician groups for hospital based physician services
Seconded by Mr. T. Jewell. **WITHDRAWN**

3. **MINUTES**

3.1 Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held June 4, 2009

- The minutes had been distributed and were reviewed for errors and omissions.

MOTION #037/09

Moved by Mr. J. Brohm that the board of directors approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held June 4, 2009 as distributed.

Seconded by Dr. B. Russell-Mahoney. **CARRIED**

3.2 Business Arising

- There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Report from the Chair

- There was no report from the chair.

4.2 Resource Utilization Committee

4.2.1 Financial Statements

- Mr. McGill advised that the committee reviewed the 2008/09 financial statements at their August meeting.
- The capital project has spent \$45 million to date. There are approximately 136 people working on the site. All of the glass will be in within the next four weeks. The building will be entirely closed in by the winter.

4.3 Communications Committee

- Ms. Hoey provided information on yesterday's meeting. The web site is being revamped and will be launched after the next board meeting.
- The committee reviewed its communications strategy.

4.4 Foundation Report

- The foundation held its annual general meeting last week.
- A professional fund raiser has been contracted to assist with the final fund raising needed for the new hospital and for a follow-up campaign for equipment.

4.5 Report from the Elders Council

- No report.

4.8 CEO Report

- Mr. Walker advised that the board chair of TBRHSC would like to make a presentation to our board on their new approach to patient care.
- The LHIN will be holding a community engagement session on Monday, October 26th in Sioux Lookout. Board members are invited to attend.
- The OHA Aboriginal Health Conference is being held in Thunder Bay on September 17/18.
- The OHA Annual Convention is being held in Toronto November 16 – 18.

4.9 Report from the Chief of Staff

- Dr. O'Driscoll advised that the emergency department move from the Seventh Avenue site to the Fifth Avenue site has been completed.
- The second surgeon has been working in the OR for over three months and the wait lists have been greatly reduced. All we need now are more anaesthetists.

4.10 Health Services Report/Corporate Services Report

4.10.1 Health Services Report

- Ms. Linkewich advised that accreditation workshops will be held on September 10th with an introduction to Qmentum. The board will be responsible for its process this time around.
- It was noted that with the move of the ER, the outpatient programs have room to expand at the Seventh Avenue site.
- SLAAMB has been successful in obtaining funding for a joint program with Confederation College to run a medical interpreter program. The health centre has agreed to hire 12 of the graduates. A number of interpreters on staff will be enrolled in the program.

4.10.2 Corporate Services Report

- Mr. Hill reviewed his report.

5. PATIENT ISSUES

No issues.

6. ROUND TABLE

Mr. J. Brohm

- Mr. Brohm advised he is taking a degree course in health administration from Athabasca University. Any assistance would be appreciated.

Ms. M. Hoey

- Ms. Hoey stated her family had to use the emergency room recently and she was very impressed.

Mr. M. Ningewance

- Mr. Ningewance stated that there is a huge problem with prescription drug abuse in the communities. When young women who are addicted to the drugs go to Thunder Bay to have their babies, if the medical staff are aware, they will inform social services and the newborns are apprehended.
- He has heard that this doesn't happen in Sioux Lookout and the mothers are now coming to Sioux Lookout to have their babies. Dr. O'Driscoll said she wasn't aware of this, but would look into it. She also stated that the physicians here notify social services if the babies are going through withdrawal and the agency then makes the decision to apprehend or not. This will be taken to the patient services committee.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

- No items.

8. EVALUATIONS

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. J. Fiddler gave the closing prayer.

MOTION #038/09

Moved by Mr. M. Ningewance that there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 1517 hrs. Seconded by Ms. M. Hoey. **CARRIED**

R. WALKER, SECRETARY

K.KOIVUKOSKI, CHAIR

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