
**NORTH EAST LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**NE LHIN Offices
555 Oak Street East, 3rd Floor
North Bay**

Friday, January 30, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mathilde Gravelle Bazinet called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members in Attendance: Mathilde Gravelle Bazinet, Chair (Nipissing Planning Area)
Marc Dumont (Timiskaming Planning Area)
Gisèle Guénard Vice-Chair (Sudbury/Manitoulin Planning Area)
Peter Vaudry (Algoma Planning Area)
Dr. Donald Stemp (Nipissing Planning Area)
Randy Kapashesit (James Bay/Hudson Bay Planning Area)
Johanne Labonté (Cochrane Planning Area)

Staff: Rémy Beaudoin, Chief Executive Officer
Lise Boucher, Corporate Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary
Martha Auchinleck, Senior Director, Performance, Contract and Allocation
Terry Tilleczek, Senior Director, Planning, Integration and Community Engagement
Cynthia Stables, Senior Corporate Advisor

Regrets: Brenda Roseborough (Sudbury/Manitoulin Planning Area)

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Chair Mathilde Gravelle Bazinet welcomed members of the public participating in person and by teleconference to the open Board Meeting for the North East LHIN. A brief overview of the Procedural Guidelines for Open Board Meetings and introduction of the Board Directors and North East LHIN staff was communicated to the public.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared or identified.

AGENDA

{Motion 2009-104}

Moved by Johanne Labonté, seconded by Leah Welk, that the Agenda be approved with changes. Two additions to the agenda were introduced:

- 1) add Medical Learners under New Business and*
- 2) add Memorandum from Ron Sapsford, DM, MOHLTC under Audit Committee Reporting*

(Carried)

MINUTES OF PAST MEETING

{Motion 2009-105}

Moved by Gisèle Guénard, seconded by Peter Vaudry,

That the Minutes of the Proceedings for the Regular Board of Directors Meeting of Friday, November 28, 2008 be approved as presented.

(Carried)

{Motion 2008-106}

Moved by Randy Kapashesit, seconded by Marc Dumont,

That the Minutes of the Proceedings for the Regular Board of Directors Meeting of Tuesday, December 16, 2008 be approved as presented.

(Carried)

PRESENTATIONS

No presentations

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MEETING OF FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28 AND/OR DECEMBER 16, 2008

No business arising

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR**Mathilde Gravelle Bazinet (Nipissing Planning Area)**

Board Chair's Activities in addition to routine Administrative duties; the following activities and visits were carried out on behalf of the Board:

- November 30th Meeting with Nipissing community group and Minister Monique Smith re: ALC issue in Nipissing area;
- December 1 Teleconference - Dr. Peter Zalan re: Solutions to Sudbury ALC problem;
Teleconference - Minister Monique Smith re: ALC issue raised by North Bay General Hospital CEO and Chair;
Teleconference - Tom Laughren, Mayor of Timmins re: RFP process for Construction of 64 LTC beds;
- December 2 Interview with CTV-Cindy Males re: ALC issue and solutions proposed by NE LHIN;
Interview with Frank Dubrovnic-Sault Star re: ALC issues in N.E. LHIN
- December 3: Teleconference-Ruben Rosen, Chair NSM LHIN re: 360 process;
Teleconference- Minister Monique Smith re: Follow-up of ALC issue at NBGH;
Teleconference with staff re: ALC Steering Committee
- December 4: Meeting with NBGH Chair, Alain Perron and CEO, Mark Hurst re: ALC issue
- December 5: Meeting with Minister Monique Smith re: ALC and other matters;
Travel to Cochrane
Board Retreat of MIC Boards
- December 6: Board Retreat- MIC Boards
Travel to Timmins
- December 7: Meeting in Moosonee with Executive Committee of JBGH Board
Travel to Timmins and North Bay
- December 8: Receipt of 2008 Award for Special Contribution to the Nursing Profession from RNAO-Sudbury Chapter;
- December 9: Teleconference re: LHIN/OHPA meeting on Dec. 10th in Toronto
- December 10: Meeting with Minister Madeleine Meilleur re: FLS regulations
Meeting with Minister Rick Bartolucci re: Sudbury issues update
Dinner meeting with LHIN Chairs/ CEOs
- December 11: Joint Chairs/CEOs meeting, Chairs meeting
- December 12: LHIN Staff Christmas Lunch
- December 17 Meeting with Board Chair and Board Director of the NE CCAC, Board Chair of OKP. Regarding Integration of Children's Services
- December 22 Media Interview – Parry Sound Star, Carli Whitewell

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR – con't

- January 6 Meeting in Sudbury with Adele Quaiattini, Board Director - NE CCAC
- January 8 Meeting – OHA – Regional Council Executive Committee
- January 9 Presentation with CEO Remy Beaudoin to DNSSAB Housing Task Force – North Bay City Council
- January 12 Presentation with Vice-Chair Gisele Guenard at West Nipissing General Hospital and Au Chateau Boards re: NE LHIN & Integration Strategy.
- January 13 Meetings by teleconference
 1) David Oraziotti, MPP, SSM
 2) Elaine Pitcher, Chair - SAH
- January 14 & 15 Chair's meeting – Toronto
- January 16 Presentation to WHA, JBGH & WAHA Boards of Directors – RE: NE LHIN's role in Integration of WHA & JBGH
- January 22 Meeting in Burk's Falls in Council's Chambers with 9 Reeves and Mayor in attendance; Burk's Falls, McMurrich/Monteith, Armour, Ryerson, Perry, Kearney, Magnetawan, Sundridge, Strong
 RE: Burk's Falls & District Health Centre
- January 23 Meetings in Sudbury
 1) Carol Hartman, Chair, HRSRH
 2) Minister R. Bartolucci, MPP, Sudbury
- January 27 Audit Committee meeting
- January 28 Interview with Thomas Gerbet, Radio Canada RE: SAH projected deficit
 Interview with Robert MacMillan – Radio-Canada RE: Closure of CDDC Smooth Rock Falls
- January 29 Board Development Session and Governance Committee Meeting.

Board Members' Activities**Gisèle Guénard (Sudbury/Manitoulin Planning Area)**

- Nov 26 Meeting with private sector re Senior Housing project (Temellini-Spiegel)
- Nov 27 Audit & Board Related Meetings
- Nov 28 Board Meeting (Algoma -Elliott Lake)
- Nov 29 BOD Retreat/Education at Denison House Elliott Lake
- Dec 2 (1) ALC meeting at Sudbury City Hall
 (2) Meeting with Dr. Zalan & T. Tilleczek regarding ALC
- Dec 3 ALC Teleconference
- Dec 5 ALC Steering committee meeting
- Dec 10 Council meeting ALC issue
- Dec 12 Interview - Voyageur (ALC)

Board Members' Activities**Gisèle Guénard (Sudbury/Manitoulin Planning Area) – con't**

- Dec 15 Teleconference re 360 for CEO
- Dec 16 (1) Attended a Press Conference with Minister Bartolucci RE: \$2 Million for St Joseph's LTC
(2) BOD Audit teleconference
- Dec 18 Meeting with ICAN BOD
- Jan 9 Meeting with Finlandia RE new Senior Housing
- Jan 12 (1) ALC Steering committee meeting
(2) Meeting with BODs of Chateau West Nipissing in Sturgeon Falls
- Jan 14 CBC Radio Canada interview (ALC)
- Jan 15 CBC Interview with Voyageur (ALC)

Marc Dumont (Timiskaming Planning Area)

- Dec 4 Presentation to the organization Meilleur Depart, on « La vision d'integration du RLISS »
- Dec 16 Board Meeting
- Jan 29 Board Development and Board Related meetings
- Jan 30 Board Meeting

Brenda Roseborough (Sudbury/Manitoulin Planning Area)

- Dec 16 Board Meeting
- Dec 18 Attended ICAN presentation

Dr. Donald Stemp (Nipissing Planning Area)

- Dec 16 Board Meeting

Leah Welk (Parry Sound Planning Area)

- January 2 hour orientation session with NE LHIN
- Jan 29 Board Development
- Jan 30 Board Meeting

Peter Vaudry (Algoma Planning Area)

- Dec 4 & 5 Met with Mike O'Shea and MPP to discuss concerns and establish better communication strategies locally
- Dec 10 Met with LHIN CEO in SSM to discuss Algoma Issues
- Dec 16 Audit and Board meeting via teleconference
- Dec Numerous calls for purpose of Audit Committee
- Jan 20 Meeting in SSM with MPP/SAH/City Council as a result of a Council Resolution
- Jan 27 Audit and Governance Committee Meetings via Teleconference
- Jan 28to 30 Board Related meetings and Board Meeting in North Bay

Randy Kapashesit (James Bay/Hudson Bay Planning Area)

- Dec 16 Board Meeting
- Early Jan Meeting with the interim CEO for WAHA
- Jan 16 Joint meeting of the JBGH and WHA boards in Timmins

Board Members' Activities – con't**Johanne Labonté (Cochrane Planning Area)**

Dec	Diagnostic Imaging camera
Dec 16	Board Related Meetings via teleconference
Jan 29	Board Development and Board related meetings
Jan 30	Board Meeting
	Interview with Radio Canada

REPORT FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Rémy Beaudoin, Chief Executive Officer

Martha Auchinleck, Senior Director, Performance, Contract and Allocation

Terry Tilleczek, Senior Director, Planning, Integration and Community Engagement

- 8.1 St Joseph's Health Centre's construction is ongoing. In regards to the transfer of 52 beds; there are continued negotiations between the two parties to address the challenge that HRSRH is having with the ALC situation.
- 8.2 ALC update – There has been a development of an ALC Sudbury Steering Group which is comprised of physicians, staff force and the NE LHIN, which is co-chairing. January 12th was the first full day meeting. There was a review of the NE LHIN recommendations and a review of the successes in other parts of the region. A preliminary list of 10 action plan items was created. January 28th was the second meeting; discussion took place to identify leads and clear objectives for each of the 10 items identified in the previous meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 30th at which time it is expected that a report will be completed to share with the community.

NE LHIN has received funding from the Province for a position that will specifically be assigned to the ALC situation; this person is expected to monitor and help with the utilization and monitoring of our ALC programs; we anticipate hiring within 3 to 4 weeks.

The Flo-collaborative from the Timmins area has just been completed and the NE LHIN is now looking at how to have the Flo-collaborative spread elsewhere and how best to move it across all of the major centres.

There is an acknowledgment that the ALC situation has been around for quite some time and it will be some time, perhaps another 14 months before it is resolved. The ALC steering group is also looking at parallel resolutions to address the immediate situation. To note, at the Provincial levels, there is an ALC lead that is also looking at short term strategies and although there is no conclusion yet, everyone is looking at complimentary short term solutions.

- 8.3 The WAHA Board is expected to be up and running by April 2009. The transfer of assets is progressing at this time with lawyers in discussions. Legal documents can be complex especially since both the federal and provincial governments are involved with the transfers. We are still in the process of voluntary integration. The voluntary integration motion is still outstanding and a new budget needs to be drawn for an accountability agreement before finalization of the integration, however the sun-setting of the two corporations has been signed off by the Ministries.

{Motion 2009-107}

Moved by Dr. Donald Stemp, seconded by Leah Welk that the CEO & Senior Management Report be approved as presented.

{Carried}

VOLUNTARY INTEGRATION

Terry Tilleczek, Senior Director, Planning, Integration and Community Engagement

PNOP Alliance – Integration of Diagnostic Imaging Repository Services for North East, North West and Champlain LHIN Hospitals

There were discussions with the Champlain LHIN and their ability to secure funding to build the capacity for this integration. There are no requests of funding from the NE LHIN for this integration.

{Motion 2009-108}

Moved by Dr. Donald Stemp, seconded by Leah Welk

Resolved that the decision of the North East LHIN, pursuant to subsection 27 of the Local Health System Integration Act, 2006 (LHSIA), is to not issue a decision on the proposed Voluntary Integration of the Diagnostic Imaging (DI) repository services of the PHOP Alliance and the Champlain LHIN DI Group.

{Carried}

CHOICES – Integration of the Rehabilitation Resources into North Bay General Hospital

This voluntary integration has no perceived negative impact on staff, no integration cost to the NE LHIN and existent infrastructure.

{Motion 2009-109}

Moved by Peter Vaudry, seconded by Johanne Labonté

Resolved that the decision of the NE LHIN, pursuant to subsection 27 of the Local Health System Integration Act, 2006 (LHSIA), is to not issue a decision on the proposed Voluntary Integration of the Rehab Resources (carrying on business as CHOICES) and the North Bay General Hospital.

INTEGRATION FUNDING OPTIONS

Terry Tilleczek, Senior Director, Planning, Integration and Community Engagement

Discussions took place in regards to the evolution of the options for the integration funding. Acknowledgement was made that initially it was discussed that to support various integration strategies, it would be advantageous to have a funding envelop available. This led to the development of the 3 options that the NE LHIN felt would help this fund. In November these options were presented and discussed with the HSPs. They were invited to comment on them.

The dialogue was clear and a resounding voice spoke of no reductions of money to the HSPs; money they were receiving for this year. Comments were however clear that the HSPs support the integration ideas but that further discussions needed to take place with the NE LHIN as to how best achieve the integration goals. The next step is further discussions between the NE LHIN and the HSPs will continue as well as communicating that funds will not be taken off the HSPs budget for this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTING**Audit Committee**

Peter Vaudry (Algoma Planning Area)

Audit Committee Chair Peter Vaudry provided a report of the Audit Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 including the Budget Summary Report and three of the policies that affect the NE LHIN. The three policies discussed were: The Amortization of Capital Assets, the Human Rights and Respectful Workplace and Safeguarding of Fixed/Attractive Assets. In the review it was decided that some modifications to the policies may be required; the committee will return to the Board in February with revisions.

A memorandum from Deputy Minister Ron Sapsford was received mid January. This memo addresses Expenditures Restraints. The DM is asking the LHIN to look at cost savings therefore the Audit Committee is asking staff to look at possible ways the Board can help in this manner. Discussions took place in regards to the possibility of doing more teleconferencing meetings and less travel. More information will be coming to the Board in February in regards to the possibilities of cost saving meetings. Of note, keeping good communications with HSPs and the public continues to be at the forefront.

The Board will write a letter to HSPs so that they can consider the same thought process in regards to expenditures restraints.

Chair will also reply to the Deputy Minister to assure of our commitment.

{Motion 2009-110}

Moved by Peter Vaudry, seconded by Leah Welk that the Budget Summary Report be approved as presented.

{Carried}

Governance / Nomination Committee

Gisèle Guénard (Sudbury/Manitoulin Planning Area)

One Board member from the Timmins Planning Area, Johanne Labonte, accepted a post with Health Force Ontario. After discussions with legal council and Health Force Ontario it was determined that there are no conflicts of interest at this time and this will be monitored on a regular basis to ensure no conflicts arise.

Noted was that the Board is actively looking at succession planning since there will be several Board members leaving in the next 3 years.

There will be a board evaluation tool released by the Ministry. This tool will help evaluate the Board Chairs as well as all Board members. Until this tool is made available, the NE LHIN will continue using its one evaluation tool used last year.

The 360 evaluation process continues with the CEO.

{Motion 2009-113}

Moved by Peter Vaudry, seconded by Mathilde Gravelle Bazinet that the Governance Committee verbal report be accepted as presented.

{Carried}

NEW BUSINESS

Medical Learners

The NE LHIN has received a request to support the Medical Learners' funding request to the MOHLTC. This request specifically addresses the need for more space to accommodate the medical learners. Based on the briefing note received, the NE LHIN Board recommends that we show support to their request.

{Motion 2009-114}

Moved by Johanne Labonté, seconded by Marc Dumont

That the Board of Directors of the North East LHIN supports the submission by Hôpital Regional de Sudbury Regional Hospital of a capital project to address the space requirements of the Academic Health Science Centre for the Medical Learners of NOSM.

{Carried}

QUESTIONS

Question period from the public was opened.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Friday, February 27, 28, 2009, James Bay and Hudson Bay Planning Area

Refer to our website for updates: www.nelhin.on.ca

MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

{Motion 2009-111}

Moved by Leah Welk, seconded by Johanne Labonté that that the Board of Directors attending this meeting move into a Closed Session pursuant to the following exceptions of LHINS set out in s.9(5) of the "Local Health Integration Act, 2006:"

x Personal or public interest

Public security

Security of the LHIN and its directors

Personal health information

Prejudice to legal proceedings

Safety

Personnel matters

Labour relations

Matters subject to solicitor client privilege

Matters prescribed by regulation

Deliberations on whether to move into a closed session

Be it further resolved that the following persons be permitted to attend the Closed Session:

Martha Auchinleck, Senior Director, Performance, Contract and Allocation

Rémy Beaudoin, Chief Executive Officer

Lise Boucher, Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary

Cynthia Stables, Senior Corporate Advisor via teleconference

Terry Tilleczek, Senior Director, Planning, Integration and Community Engagement

{Carried}

ADJOURNMENT

{Motion 2009-112}

Moved by Randy Kapashesit and Seconded by Johanne Labonté

That the Chair adjourns the regular Board of Directors meeting of Friday January 30, 2009 at 1:33 p.m.

{Carried}

Mathilde Gravelle Bazinet
Chair