



**MINUTES OF APRIL 17, 2018  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**12:25 pm – 1:50 pm**

**5<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom – 505 Doyle Avenue**

**Board Members:**

Dr. Doug Cochrane, Chair  
Joyce Beddow  
Patricia Dooley  
Spring Hawes (R)  
Diane Jules  
Dr. Selena Lawrie  
Dennis Rounsville  
Cindy Stewart  
Tammy Tugnum

**Resource Staff:**

Chris Mazurkewich, President & Chief Executive Officer (Ex Officio)  
Carmen Gudljek, Board Resource Officer

**Guests:**

Susan Brown, VP & COO, Hospitals & Communities  
Dr. Mike Ertel, VP Medicine & Quality  
Jenn Goodwin, VP Communications & Public Engagement  
Mal Griffin, VP Human Resources  
Donna Lommer, VP Support Services & CFO  
Norma Malanowich, VP, Clinical Support Services & Chief Information Officer  
Anne-Marie Visockas, VP, Health System Planning, MHSU, Residential Services  
Givonna De Bruin, Corporate Director, Internal Audit  
Dr. Glenn Fedor, Chair, Health Authority Medical Advisory Committee  
Dr. Sue Pollock, Chief Medical Health Officer

**Presenters:**

Dr. Barbara Campling, Head of Medical Oncology, BC Cancer Agency  
Dr. Michael Humer, Interior Health Thoracic Surgery Group  
Dr. Douglas Kingsford, Executive Medical Director & Chief Medical Information Officer

(R) Regrets (T) Teleconference (V) Videoconference

## **1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Cochrane called the meeting to order and welcomed staff and visitors to the meeting.

### **1.1 Acknowledgement of the First Nations and their Territory**

Chair Cochrane respectfully acknowledged that the meeting was held on the Okanagan Nation traditional territory. Director Jules offered a pray of thanks.

### **1.2 Approval of Agenda**

Director Jules moved, Director Rounsville seconded

Motion: 18-03 **MOVED AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY THAT** the Board approved the regular agenda as presented.

## **2.0 PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

## **3.0 PRESENTATIONS FOR INFORMATION**

### **3.1 Thoracic Surgery – Telemedicine Program**

Dr. Michael Humer and Dr. Barbara Campling presented. Highlights of the presentation included:

- Overview of the role of telemedicine in providing thoracic oncology care to remote areas of BC.
- The Interior Health Thoracic Surgery Group (IHTSG) has been providing a telemedicine program for patients in the Interior and North regions of BC since 2003.

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- Between 2003 and 2015 the IHTSG conducted 15,073 telemedicine appointments from 63 different geographic regions. This service saved patients from travelling 11.5 million kilometres.
  - In 2003 the number of patient encounters was 21 with a steady progression over the years to 1800 encounters in 2017.
  - Research show that telemedicine dramatically improves access to quality medical care in small and rural BC communities, while saving time, money and travel risk for patients.
  - Telemedicine makes specialized care available to all patients by overcoming impediment to access, i.e. distance.
  - The Telethoracic Patient Satisfaction questionnaire revealed a high satisfaction rate with the program
  - The work of IHTSG has been published in the BC Medical Journal.

The presenters answered questions from the Board.

Dr. Humer acknowledged Chris Mazurkewich, President & CEO, as a leader in moving the telemedicine program forward at Interior Health.

The Board commended Dr. Humer and Dr. Campling, and their teams, for their dedication and work with this program.

### 3.2 A Digital Wave is Coming. How Do We Prepare?

Chris Mazurkewich and Dr. Douglas Kingsford presented. Highlights of the presentation included:

- Computers, data mining and predictive analytics will outperform humans in many aspects of healthcare in the future.
- Highly specialized work is most vulnerable to automation.
- Automated learning systems will drive updated algorithms and care plans from huge data volumes.
- Robots already exist.
- Patient disrupters include patients having electronic access to their medical records. In some countries, patients already have electronic access to their medical records.
- Opportunities and risks include new health entities, new health technologies, and new business models.

The presenters answered questions from the Board.

## 4.0 FOR APPROVAL

### 4.1 Approval – Minutes

Director Jules moved, Director Lawrie seconded

Motion: 18-04 **MOVED AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY THAT** the Board approves the minutes of the February 6, 2018 Board Meeting as presented.

## 5.0 FOLLOW UP ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

There were no actions for review.

## 6.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 6.1 Health Authority Medical Advisory Committee (HAMAC)

Dr. Glenn Fedor provided an overview of the Summary Report of the Health Authority Medical Advisory Committee meetings that took place on February 9 and March 9, 2018. Highlights included:

- Endorsement of pre-printed orders for Cardiac Implantable Electronic Devices.
- Endorsement of a revision to the policy for Locum & Short Term Vacancy.
- The detailed Pharmacy & Therapeutics Report was received.
- The Medical Health Officers - Child Health Report was received.

Chair Cochrane moved, Director Lawrie seconded

Motion: 18-05 **MOVED AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY THAT** the Board approves that the current term for HAMAC Chair, Dr. Glenn Fedor be extended by one month until June 30, 2018.

Director Beddow moved, Director Rounsville seconded

Motion: 18-06 **MOVED AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY THAT** the Board approves that the current term for HAMAC Vice-Chair, Dr. Anneline Du Preez be extended by one month until June 30, 2018.

#### 6.2 Audit and Finance Committee

Director Rounsville noted there were no recommendations at this time. The Committee met on April 16, highlights included:

- The Financial Summary of Period 12 was reviewed. Financial results are in line with anticipated financial forecasts.
- An update on the status of major capital planning projects was received. As well, the Committee received updates on the MRI projects in Vernon and Cranbrook, the Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital Emergency Department, the Strathcona Building in Kelowna, and the Patient Care Towers at Penticton Regional and Royal Inland Hospitals.

#### 6.3 Quality Committee

Director Stewart noted there were no recommendations at this time. The Committee met on April 16, highlights included:

- A Patient Voices Network presentation was received from a patient.
- The Committee received the 2017 Annual Laboratory Quality Report and the 2016 & 2017 Annual Anatomical Pathology Quality Assurance Report.

#### 6.4 Governance & Human Resources Committee

Director Dooley noted that there were no recommendations at this time. The Committee met on April 17, highlights included:

- The Committee received two annual reports: the Employee and Labour Relations Annual Report, and the Human Resource Operations and Recruitment Annual Report.
- John Bevanda, Corporate Director, Workplace Health and Safety, and Labour and Employee Relations, was recognized for his leadership in mitigating violence in the workplace.

#### 6.5 Strategic Priorities Committee

No meeting was held.

#### 6.6 Stakeholders Relations Committee Report

The Stakeholder Relations Committee Report was received as information with edits noted to the March 1 and March 13 entries.

### 7.0 REPORTS

#### 7.1 President and CEO Report

The President & CEO Report was received as information. Chris Mazurkewich answered questions from the Directors.

Action Item: Director Rounsville requested further information on the update in the report on the new drug checking services for Fentanyl. Dr. Pollock will follow up.

#### 7.2 Chair Report

The Chair indicated that the Board has received the 2018 Mandate letter from the Ministry of Health.

### 8.0 CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received as information.

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**9.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS**

None

**10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS**

None

**11.0 NEW BUSINESS**

None

**12.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**13.0 NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, June 19, 2018 in Kelowna, BC

**14.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.



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Doug Cochrane, Board Chair



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Chris Mazurkewich, President & CEO