

SASKATCHEWAN HEALTH AUTHORITY PUBLIC BOARD MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: November 18, 2020

TIME: 1:02 pm – 2:27 pm

LOCATION: Via Webex and Teleconference

Authority Members: R.W. (Dick) Carter (Chairperson), Grant Kook (Vice-Chairperson), Brenda Abrametz, Judy Davis, Rosalena Smith, Dr. Preston Smith, Dr. Janet Tootoosis and Tom Zurowski.

Administrative Staff: Scott Livingstone (Chief Executive Officer), Dr. Susan Shaw (Chief Medical Officer), Kim McKechny (Vice President, Community Engagement & Communications), Robbie Peters (Vice President, Finance & Chief Financial Officer), Beth Vachon (Vice President, Quality, Safety & Strategy), Sara Knowles (Director, Regulatory Affairs) and Denni Wood (Board Administrative Assistant) (Recorder).

Guests: Cecilia Leibel (Patient & Family Leadership Council), Rod Mackenzie (Executive Director, Provincial Services – Community Care), Evan Ulmer (Director, EMS Provincial) and Felecia Watson (Executive Director, Patient & Client Experience).

Regrets: Marilyn Charlton, Max Hendricks (Deputy Minister of Health) (Ex Officio) and Suann Laurent (Chief Operating Officer).

1.0 Call to Order

1.1 Welcome Guests

- Chairperson R.W. Carter called the public meeting of the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) to order at 1:02 pm.

1.2 Introduction of Board Members and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

- R.W. Carter introduced the Board and CEO.

1.3 Explain Meeting Protocols

- R.W. Carter explained the meeting protocols to the members of the public.

2.0 Approval of Agenda and Consent Items

2.1 Approval of Agenda

SHA #40-20 [Carried]. Moved by T. Zurowski and seconded by G. Kook that: the agenda of November 18, 2020 be approved.

2.2 Consent Items

- 2.2.1 Previous Meeting Minutes from August 19, 2020

Committee Reports

- 2.2.2 Audit, Finance & Risk Committee – 04-Nov-20
- 2.2.3 Quality & Safety Committee – 20-Oct-20
- 2.2.4 Governance & Human Resources Committee – 21-Oct-20
- 2.2.5 Governance & Human Resources Committee – 06-Nov-20
- 2.2.6 Practitioner Liaison Committee – 07-Oct-20

SHA #41-20 [Carried]. Moved by B. Abrametz and seconded by J. Davis that: the consent items be approved.

3.0 Conflict of Interest Declaration

- No conflicts of interest were declared.

4.0 Ethical Decision Making Checklist

- The Board was reminded of the Ethical Decision Making Checklist.

6.1 Chairperson's Report

- Item #6.1 was moved prior to item #5.0.
- Chairperson R.W. Carter tabled the Chairperson's Report. A brief verbal update was provided.

5.0 Patient & Family Leadership Council (PFLC) Presentation

- C. Leibel and F. Watson presented on the PFLC. Highlights included information on the PFLC including background, current work and future planning.
- The Board asked questions and management responded.

6.0 Reports

6.2 Chief Executive Officer's (CEO's) Report

6.2.1 Year in Review

- S. Livingstone presented successes from the past year including the value of a single health authority, improving patient flow, enhancing mental health & addictions services, improving quality, enhancing safety, physician leadership in design of health services, increasing integration, decreasing variance, closing the gap in health outcomes. He also provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic.

6.3 Chief Medical Officer's (CMO's) Report

- Dr. S. Shaw presented the CMO's Report, which included updates on the practitioner staff appointments.

7.0 Advisory Panel on Health System Structure Report Recommendations Update

- S. Livingstone updated the Board on the progress in relation to the recommendations from the Advisory Panel on Health System Structure report.

8.0 Quality Update

8.1 Key Performance Indicators

- S. Livingstone discussed the key performance indicators.

9.0 Strategy Update

- B. Vachon updated the Board on strategic planning including the 5 year plan and ongoing work with the Ministry of Health.

10.0 Committee and Board Member Reports

10.1 Audit, Finance & Risk Committee (AFRC)

10.1.1 AFRC Highlights

- J. Davis, AFRC Chairperson, provided highlights from the November 4, 2020 AFRC meeting.

10.1.2 Risk Appetite Statement Review

- J. Davis provided background regarding the SHA Risk Appetite Statement.
- The following motion was brought forward:

SHA #42-20 [Carried]. Moved by J. Davis and seconded by T. Zurowski that: the Saskatchewan Health Authority makes no changes to the current SHA Risk Appetite Statement.

10.1.3 EMS Ambulance Rates Approval

- R. Mackenzie and E. Ulmer joined the meeting for item #10.1.3.
- R. Mackenzie provided background regarding Emergency Medical Services (EMS) rates in Saskatchewan.
- The following motion was brought forward:

SHA #43-20 [Carried]. Moved by G. Kook and seconded by R. Smith that: the Saskatchewan Health Authority Board, in accordance with section 4 of *The Ambulance Regulations*, and the Ministry of Health *Ground Ambulance Fees Policy*, approves and endorses standardization of EMS rates for ground EMS ambulance operations as follows:

- Advanced Life Support (ALS) basic pick up rates remain at: \$325.00/call for all ambulance services approved to operate at the ALS level;
- Basic Life Support (BLS) basic pick up rates remain at: \$245.00/call for all ambulances services approved to operate at the BLS level; and
- Mileage fees remain at: \$2.30/km.

10.2 Quality & Safety Committee (QSC)

10.2.1 QSC Highlights

- B. Abrametz, QSC Chairperson, updated the Board on the October 20, 2020 QSC meeting.

10.3 Governance & Human Resources Committee (GHRC)

10.3.1 GHRC Highlights

- R.W. Carter highlighted items from the October 21 and November 6, 2020 GHRC meetings on behalf of M. Charlton, GHRC Chairperson.

10.3.2 Practitioner Staff Review Panel Approval

- Dr. S. Shaw provided background regarding the Practitioner Staff Review Panel approval process.
- The following motion was brought forward:

SHA #44-20 [Carried]. Moved by J. Davis and seconded by G. Kook that: The Saskatchewan Health Authority appoints the following nominees to the Practitioner Staff Review Panel for a two-year term effective November 21, 2020:

- Practitioner Members:

- o Dr. Darcie McGonigle, Chairperson;
- o Dr. Chantal Ansell;
- o Dr. Janet Ferguson;
- o Dr. Maurice Ogaick;
- o Dr. Henrike Rees;
- o Dr. Rahul Mainra;
- o Dr. Amy Goodday;
- o Dr. George Carson;
- o Dr. Jeffrey Irvine;
- o Dr. Okezie Nweze;
- o Dr. Jakobus Steenkamp;
- o Dr. Oswald D’Mello;
- o Dr. Alanna Kurytnik;
- o Dr. Alison Crichlow;
- o Dr. Raenelle Nesbitt;
- o Dr. Jeff Booker;
- o Dr. Malone Chaya;
- o Dr. Jacelyn Larson;
- o Dr. Elke Mau; and
- o Dr. Marguerite McDonald.
- Non-practitioner Members:
- o Gerald Tegart, Vice-chairperson;
- o Dr. Jaris Swidrovich;
- o Les Oystryk;
- o Deb Schmidt; and
- o Lydia Gauthier.

10.4 Practitioner Liaison Committee (PLC)

10.4.1 PLC Highlights

- R.W. Carter, PLC Co-chairperson, provided a brief overview of the October 7, 2020 PLC meeting.

11.0 Next Meeting Date

- R.W. Carter noted that the February 17, 2021 meeting date has been moved to February 24, 2021 due to the long weekend.

12.0 Motion to Adjourn

SHA #45-20 [Carried]. Moved by T. Zurowski that: the public meeting of the Saskatchewan Health Authority be adjourned at 2:27 pm.

13.0 Questions from the Public in Attendance

- Members of the public in attendance were news agency reporters.
- Questions were asked and management responded.