Geraldton District Hospital

Minutes of the

**GDH Board of Directors’ Meeting**

Held in the Boardroom & via Zoom

Tuesday, May 6th, 2025 at 5:30 pm

Present

Voting: Eric Pietsch Terry Popowich Bobby Jo Chenier

Dorene Boulanger Donna Pelletier Michael Davis

Elaine Mannisto Joanne Hoffman Dorothy Friske

Non-Voting: Darryl Galusha Ian McPherson Monique Gosselin

Savana Marino Dr. E. Hargassner

Jena Goulet (recorder)

Guest: Ryan Wach

Regrets

Voting: Ron Melhuish Cory Lightfoot

Non-Voting:

**Board Composition (voting): 9 Elected 2 Appointment Total = 11**

**Current Vacancies (voting): 0 Elected 0 Appointment Total = 0**

**Total Board Members (voting): 11 Present: 9 Attendance: 82%**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

**1.1 Welcome and Chair’s Opening Remarks**

● The meeting was called to order at 5:45 pm by E. Pietsch.

● E. Pietsch read the Treaty Acknowledgement.

● E. Pietsch shared updates from the NOMA Conference that he attended last week.

**2.0 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

● None.

**3.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

● E. Pietsch asked if there were any amendments to the agenda.

● Move Item 7.4 CNE Report from *Consent Agenda* to Item 8.1 under *Items Lifted from Consent Agenda.*

**It was moved by D. Boulanger and seconded by M. Davis that the agenda be approved as amended.**

**CARRIED.**

**RES 37**

**4.0 PRESENTATIONS**

**4.1 Tour of MDRD & Stores**

● The tour of MDRD and Stores occurred prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**5.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

**5.1 Patient Story**

● The Patient Story was received by the Board members.

● Discussion occurred.

**5.2 Audit Engagement & Planning Letters**

● Clarifications provided.

**6.0 EDUCATION**

**6.1 Guide to Good Governance – Chapter 9 (pages 245 - 260)**

● Clarifications provided regarding who can attend GDH’s AGM Meeting.

● Chapter 10 (pages 261 - 290) was assigned for reading for the next Board meeting.

**7.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

**7.1** **Regular Board Meeting Minutes – April 1st, 2025**

**7.2** **MAC Meeting Minutes *– Next Meeting: TBD June 2025***

**7.3 CCS Report**

**7.4 CNE Report**

● Moved to Item 8.1 under *Items Lifted from Consent Agenda.*

**7.5** **Human Resources Report**

**7.6 COS Report**

**It was moved by D. Boulanger and seconded by J. Hoffman to accept the Consent Agenda as amended.**

**CARRIED.**

**RES 38A**

**8.0 ITEMS LIFTED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

**8.1 CNE Report**

● The unsustainability of GDH’s chemotherapy services was discussed. T. Popowich will bring these concerns forward to the next Regional Services Council Meeting at the end of May.

● The Board members inquired if there are any active measles cases in Northern Ontario. It was stated that measles is not currently in the area.

**It was moved D. Boulanger and seconded by D. Pelletier to accept the Items Lifted from the Consent Agenda as presented.**

**CARRIED.**

**RES 38B**

**9.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

**9.1 Outstanding Peer Assessment Forms**

● Outstanding forms to be provided to J. Goulet by Friday, May 9th, 2025.

**9.2 Outstanding Chair Evaluation Forms**

● Outstanding assessments to be provided to J. Goulet by Friday, May 9th, 2025.

**9.3 HCAC – Terms of Reference**

● At the request of the Board of Directors, quorum was updated to *100% of those in attendance shall provide advice and make recommendations by consensus to the Geraldton District Hospital Board of Directors.*

● Matawa will be added as a representative on the Committee.

**10.0 OPERATIONS SUPPORT MANAGER REPORT**

**11.0 NEW BUSINESS**

**12.0 LINKAGES & PARTNERSHIPS**

**12.1 HCAC Meeting Minutes – *Next Meeting: June 17th, 2025***

**12.2 QIC Meeting Minutes – *Next Meeting: June 19th, 2025***

**12.3 Geraldton Hospital Auxiliary Report**

● D. Friske informed the Board members that the membership drive has begun and the memberships have been sent out in the mail.

**It was moved by D. Friske and seconded by E. Mannisto that the Linkages & Partnerships reports be accepted as presented.**

**CARRIED.**

**RES 39**

**13.0 CEO REPORT**

● D. Galusha’s report was received by the Board of Directors.

● The following items were highlighted from the CEO Report:

● Approval for Own Fund Mental Health Room Project,

● Review of Blastomycosis Cases in the Emergency Room,

● Ontario Immigration Nominee Program,

● Vacation Cancellation.

**It was moved by T. Popowich and seconded by D. Boulanger that the report from the CEO be approved as presented.**

**CARRIED.**

**RES 40**

**14.0 DECISION OF THE BOARD**

**15.0 ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION**

● M. Gosselin’s upcoming retirement was recognized.

**16.0 MONTHLY MEETING EVALUATION**

**16.1 Bi-Monthly Meeting Evaluation Summary**

● The Evaluation Summary was received to the Board members.

**16.2 Annual Board Evaluation**

● The Annual Board Evaluation Form was received by the Board members.

● It was requested that the completed evaluation forms be provided to J. Goulet by Friday, May 16th, 2025.

**16.3 Board of Directors’ Scorecard**

● The Scorecard was reviewed by the Board members.

**17.0 IN CAMERA MEETING**

**18.0 TERMINATION OF IN CAMERA MEETING**

**19.0 MEETING WITHOUT MANAGEMENT**

**20.0 MEETING WITH MANAGEMENT (CEO ONLY)**

**21.0 TERMINATION OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**It was moved by E. Mannisto and seconded by J. Hoffman that the Board of Directors Meeting be adjourned at 6:40 pm.**

**CARRIED.**

**RES 41**

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Board Chair Signature