

MINUTES

Meeting:		Board of Directors	Board of Directors		
Date:		February 1, 2024	February 1, 2024		
Time:		5:00pm	5:00pm		
Place:		Boardroom	Boardroom		
Our	Shared Purpose	e: People First	People First		
Committee Members in Attendance:					
☐ B. Selby, Chair		⊠ C. Gilmer, VC	⊠ M. McAllister	M. Cassaday	
□ D. Morrison □		⊠ B. Nixon	S. Anderson	S. Olsen	
🛮 R. Stevenson		🛮 P. Went	🛚 L. Savoy	K. Simmons	
⊠ S. Walsh □		☐ M. Cocchetto	🛚 L. Sellar	C. Bell-Smith	
R. Freeborn		🛚 L. Andrews	☐ M. Bhargava	☐ J. Obomighie	
☐ G. Ivory		⊠ K. Zimmerman	S. Forsyth	P. Ketov	
□ L. Orpana □		☐ M. Noel	∑ J. Gillard	🛮 L. Obomighie	
□ J. Fleming □		☑ C. Nesmith(media)			
1.		ACKNOWLEDGEMENT			
	C. Gilmer provi	ilmer provided the territorial acknowledgement.			
2.	CALL TO ORDER				
	The meeting was called to order at 5:00p.m.				
3.	EDUCATION SESSION: GERIATRIC ACTIVATION TEAM (GAT)				
	K. Zimmerman, VP Integrated Care/CNE introduced H. VanderMeer, D. Ferreira and J. Jury who provided an overview of the focus and work of the Geriatric Activation Team (GAT) at NHH since its soft launch Feb. 2023. GAT intervention, criteria, data outcomes and future aspirations were shared.				
4.	CONFLICT OF INTEREST				
	None declared.				
5.	APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES				
	It was Moved by M. McAllister and Seconded by D. Morrison to approve the minutes of December 7, 2023.				
6.	CONSENT AGENDA				

It was Moved by P. Went and Seconded by M. McAllister to accept the consent agenda matters as pre-circulated. Carried.

7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

7.1 Report from the Board Chair

C. Gilmer provided the report on behalf of the Board Chair, B. Selby. The report included mention of the passing of Bob Carman, a member of the NHH Board from 2012/13 until his final term in 2020/21. Mr. Carman's celebration of Life will be held Feb. 10th from 1-4 at MacCoubrey Funeral Home.

The tri-board social with the Hospital, Hospital Foundation and Auxiliary was a great opportunity for members to meet and mingle. B. Selby thanked R. Cunningham on behalf of the Board for organizing the event.

NHH has once again been recognized on a national level by the Canadian Coalition of Green Health Care for its ongoing work toward energy conservation and environment responsibility. Congratulations to all!

A thank you goes out to Dr Bhargava and J. Fleming, for facilitating a very interesting generative discussion on AI in Healthcare.

7.2 Report from the CEO

The Senior Leadership report was pre-circulated as part of the agenda package. S. Walsh shared key highlights including news that Dr Catharine Zahn was recently announced as the new Board Chair for ON Health effective Feb. 7th.

Two new neurologists have recently started at NHH, Dr. Karen Ho and Dr. Courtney Anne Scott. A virtual meet and greet will be held Feb. 26th from 7-8pm to meet all NHH Virtual OTN Care Specialists.

Feb. 2nd will be holding a full day OHT-N retreat lead by the Co-Chairs. Attending will be all signatories, representatives from Alderville as well as other community partner organizations.

NHH has been recognized by the Canadian Coalition of Green Health Care for its ongoing work toward energy conservation and environmental responsibility in the areas of water excellence, waste management and leadership.

NHH's new chillers have arrived. These are the large units that deliver air conditioning throughout the building. The chillers will be fully installed over the next months and online for the 2024 cooling season.

Under the leadership of L. Obomighie and her team they have completed the multiyear accessibility plan which is now posted on the website.

NHH is celebrating Black History Month in February and is flying the Black History Month flag along with Every Child Matters flag. EDIAC will be hosting a fireside chat titled "Black Faces/White Spaces" Feb. 15th if you are able to join. NHH has a group participating in the Coldest Night of the Year event Feb. 24th, led by J. Gillard.

Senior Leadership shared NHH is experiencing high volumes in the emergency department and acknowledged K. Zimmerman and leadership for managing the ongoing flow of patients. NHH Emergency Department pay for performance across the system key measures ranks 11th in the province.

NHH continues to embark on the Patent Experience Framework journey. J. Gillard and B. McKee NHH's PFAC Chair will be attending a two-day Rural and Northern Healthcare Conference at the end of February to share their experience in developing the Patient Experience Framework.

7.3 Report from Finance and Audit Committee- Motions

M. McAllister, Chair Finance and Audit Committee presented three Motions to the Board for approval.

<u>Motion #1</u> – The Finance and Audit Committee recommends to the Board for approval the increase of the cost of food services equipment of \$422,000 (a 10% variance to budget) which is an incremental cost of \$130,000.

On a Motion by M. McAllister and Seconded by D. Morrison the Board approves the increase in the cost to replace food service equipment up to \$422,000. Carried.

Motion #2 – The Finance and Audit Committee recommends for Board approval the 2024/25 Hospital Budget Submission (HAPS) and Community Budget Submission (CAPS).

On a Motion by M. McAllister and Seconded by P. Went the Board approves the 2024/25 Hospital Budget Submission (HAPS) and Community Budget Submission (CAPS). Carried.

Motion #3-The Finance and Audit Committee recommends to the Board for approval the 2024/25 Capital Budget.

On a Motion by M. McAllister and Seconded by M. Cassaday the Board approves the 2024/25 Capital Budget. Carried.

7.4 Report from the Governance Committee

C. Gilmer Chair of the Governance Committee updated the Board on the progress of the requirement to complete the annual policy review. A small group has met twice and reviewed all policies related to format, process, and content. Once the policies have been redlined these will come back to the Board for final approval of all recommended changes.

7.5 Report from the NHH Auxiliary

C. Gilmer provided a verbal report on behalf of S. Forsyth, President NHHA. For the first nine months of the fiscal year Petticoat Lane had the second-best month recording a total sale of \$170,474 for the current year to date. This exceeds the sales for 2017-18 by 15%. In December the Lane netted \$13,187.00. It looks as though it will top \$200,000 in revenue this year, for its best year ever.

The Little Treasure Shop is also having a very good year. It netted \$10,526.00 in December.

With three months remaining in the current fiscal year our Director of Finance predicts we will exceed the 2023-24 budget target of giving the Hospital \$170,000. The Auxiliary gave \$72,000 in October for the fetal warmers and are online to make a further \$100,000 donation by the end of this fiscal year.

The purchase order for the fetal warmers has been completed. The Auxiliary decided this would be our purchase for this year from the list of goodies in need. We are expecting them to be delivered in the next few weeks and will plan a photo opportunity at that time to accompany the news release.

The Auxiliary Board's new Director of Business Services has been negotiating with the Petticoat Lane landlord and the Board has accepted the terms of the new five-year lease agreement proposed. The monthly rent will be the same for our long-standing Munroe Street shop in Cobourg opposite No Frills. We look forward to updating our signage in due course, with the landlord's support, to our newly updated logo.

Recruitment slowed in December, primarily due to the holiday season and travel. There have been 62 new applicants since the start of the recruitment campaign in July. Some gaps are still to be filled so the campaign will continue.

S. Forsyth had the pleasure of sharing information about the NHH Auxiliary in a recent interview with local 93.3 reporter, Joseph Goden. Joseph extended the invitation following our recent news release on the Dixie Mikel scholarship recipients and we greatly appreciated the change to talk about the annual scholarship (and promote it) while also shining a light on other volunteer opportunities.

It was Moved by L. Savoy and Seconded by S. Anderson to accept all reports as presented. Carried.

8. OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

There was no other business to discuss.

9. IN-CAMERA SESSION

On a Motion by M. McAllister and Seconded by D. Morrison the meeting moved to incamera. The in-camera meeting addressed matters related to medical human resources and financial matters.

10. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING

On a Motion by C. Gilmer the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for April 4, 2024.