

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

3:00pm

Boardroom & WebEx

2020-2021	Oct 7	Nov 4	Dec 2	Feb 3	Mar 3	Apr 7	May 5	Jun 2
P. van der Westen (Chair)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓W	✓		
D. Ross	✓	✓	✓W	✓W	✓	✓		
L. Ballantyne	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓Z		
A. Dale	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓Z		
D. Harvey	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓Z		
R. Hodgkinson	NA	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓Z		
S. Martyn	✓W	✓T	✓W	NA	✓W	NA		
R. Robertson	✓W	NA	✓W	✓W	NA	✓Z		
M. Vreman	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓Z		
H. Lenfesty				NA	✓	✓Z		
Dr. Chehadi	✓	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓Z		
Dr. Mills	✓W	NA	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓Z		
Dr. P. Hammond	NA	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓Z		
R. Biron	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
K. Davies	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓		
J. Thorner	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓W	✓Z		

***W** – Denotes joining the meeting via WebEx / ***Z** – Denotes joining the meeting via Zoom

1. Call to Order

Peter van der Westen called the meeting to order at 3:00pm and asked Andrea Kingdon to conduct a roll call.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION

MOVED by Richard Hodgkinson, SECONDED by Harold Lenfesty, that the Board of Directors approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

3. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

None declared.

4. Quality Improvement Plan Indicators & Definitions – February 2021

Karen Davies provided the Board of Directors with a brief review of the Quality Improvement Plan indicators for the month of February 2021. Ms. Davies noted the following:

- *When you left hospital, did the hospital make sure you had follow-up care with a doctor or other health care professional?*

This metric does not have data available for February 2021, as there is a lag in reporting from National Research Corporation (NRC) Picker Survey responses. Data will be updated when it becomes available.

- *Readmission rate for STEGH.*

Decision Support has confirmed that internally there were no readmissions for the month of January 2021. However, the data provided by CIHI for the months of January 2021 and February 2021 are not available yet and will be updated when they become available.

5. **Approval of Draft Minutes of Prior Meetings**

The March 3, 2021 Board of Directors draft Meeting Minutes were pre-circulated with the Board package for review.

MOTION

MOVED by Richard Hodgkinson, SECONDED by Dan Ross, that the Board of Directors approve the March 3, 2021 Board of Directors draft Meeting Minutes as presented.

CARRIED

6. **Committee Reports**

6.1 Quality & Safety Committee

6.1.1 Quality & Safety Committee Draft Meeting Minutes (March 18, 2021)

The Quality & Safety Committee draft Meeting Minutes from March 18, 2021, were pre-circulated with the Board package for information purposes. The Quality & Safety Committee directed the staff to consider how the principles of Health Equity and Human Rights are addressed in the Ethics Framework for its next iteration in the coming year.

6.1.2 Ethical Framework Approval of Use

The Ethical Framework was included in the meeting package for review and subsequent approval for use in the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

MOTION

MOVED by Amy Dale, SECONDED by Dan Ross, that the Board of Directors, having reviewed the Ethical Framework, approve the use of the existing Ethical Framework in 2021-2022, as presented.

CARRIED

6.1.3 2021/2022 Quality Improvement Plan Update

The document entitled "Update on the 2021/22 Quality Improvement Plans (QIPs)" was pre-circulated with the meeting package for information purposes.

7. **Other Business**

7.1 COVID-19 Update - Briefing Note

The COVID-19 Update Briefing Note was pre-circulated with the Board package.

Robert Biron began by sharing that the information that is provided to the Board is ever changing and can become out of date very quickly. Mr. Biron then went on to state that much effort at present is happening with regard to the third wave of the pandemic. There are projections from the Ministry that this wave is expected to spike in late-April. An announcement was just made provincially, that a stay-at-home order will come into effect at 12:01am on Thursday, April 8, 2021 for a minimum of 4-weeks.

The province is projecting a substantive increase in hospital admissions within the next two weeks. This means that regionally hospitals have their COVID capacity available, and that transfers across the province are happening in the medicine beds and the intensive care unit (ICU) beds.

The staff vaccination program is going quite well.

Linda Ballantyne inquired if the staffing complement for the ICU is adequate if STEGH were to receive an influx of transfers into its ICU. Mary Stewart responded that there is a team-based model of care that the staff have been educated on, including additional non-ICU nurses.

8. Officer Reports

8.1 Board Chair Report

There was no Board Chair report for this month.

8.2 President and CEO Report

The Officer report for the CEO was pre-circulated with the meeting package.

8.3 Chief of Staff Report

The Officer report for the COS was presented verbally.

MOTION

MOVED by Harold Lenfesty, SECONDED by Richard Hodgkinson, that the Board of Directors receive the Officer Reports as presented.

CARRIED

9. Correspondence / Information

9.1 St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital Foundation - Letter of Support for MRI

A letter of support from the STEGH Foundation, for the MRI at STEGH, was pre-circulated with the meeting package for information purposes.

10. In-Camera Meeting

Move to In-Camera

MOTION

MOVED by Rick Robertson, SECONDED by Dan Ross, that the meeting of the Board of Directors move to the in-camera portion of the meeting.

CARRIED

Having completed the In-Camera meeting, the meeting resumed in the open session.

11. Termination of Meeting

MOTION

MOVED by Rick Robertson, SECONDED by Richard Hodgkinson, that the Board of Directors terminate the meeting.

CARRIED