



**Minutes of the  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
April 28, 2021**  
58 Goodall Street, Dryden, Ontario

*Due to our efforts to respect the ever-evolving guidelines and directives for preparation and management of the COVID-19 pandemic, and our altruistic focus on protecting our vulnerable patients and our staff from the spread of COVID-19, the DRHC is diligently restricting access to the facility. As such, the Board of Directors for the Dryden Regional Health Centre held its regular monthly meeting virtually via GoTo Meeting.*

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** J. Green, Chair of the Board of Directors called the meeting to order at 17:32 hours, welcoming guests S. McCarthy from CKDR, and S. McMenemy, Director of the Family Health Team.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** J. Green, Chair                      D. Armstrong-Ross                      S, Boyko                      C. Brown  
B. Cook    M. Ferguson                                      D. Goulet (17:40)                      T. Ledoux  
J. Mallyon    A. McAuley    B. Moore-Bunney                      K. Seeley  
B. Szabo

**Staff Present:** K. Campbell                      S. Moore    L. Nabb    L. Waller

**Regrets:** J. Park

**Guests:** S. McCarthy      S. McMenemy

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

Dr. B. Cook, Chief of Staff, shared a land acknowledgment statement to open the Board of Directors meeting:

*“As we meet today, we acknowledge the Dryden Regional Health Centre to be situated on the lands of the Anishnaabe peoples of Migisi Sahgaigan, Wabigoon, and Wabauskang First Nations. We give gratitude and honour to the Ancestors, Elders, and all Anishnaabe people for sharing their resources and knowledge.*

*As a community Health Centre, we remember that we serve all peoples living on Treaty #3. Our goal is to improve the health of all our citizens.”*

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** None declared.

**CONNECTING TO PURPOSE: PATIENT STORY/ORGANIZATIONAL WIN:**

S. McMenemy shared a story of a patient who had been working with the Family Health Team respiratory nurse over the last four years while living with emphysema, but had moved to Toronto to



await lung transplant. Three weeks ago, this patient did receive their lung transplant, was recently removed from ventilator and moved out of the ICU. Ms. McMenemy shared that another patient had just celebrated a 2-year anniversary of their lung transplant, noting that that in cases such as these, success stories can be rare, so it was fantastic to see two patients see successful outcomes.

D. Armstrong-Ross, Chief Executive Officer, shared with the Board that Dr. Stephen Viherjoki had recently been the recipient of the Rural Service Award from the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada for more than 10 years of service. Ms. Armstrong-Ross also shared that DRHC had been holding vaccine clinics for high risk patients over the last two days, describing the positive atmosphere as patients were excited to finally be receiving their first dose, and expressed gratitude to DRHC for making this possible.

## 2. PRESENTATION

S. McMenemy provided an overview of changes to services at the Family Health Team in response the COVID-19 pandemic over the last year. Highlights included moving many services to phone or virtual formats, noting that many patients are now becoming more insistent on an in-person appointment. Decisions on whether to make appointments virtual or in person are based on clinician's professional judgement. Found that some programs have been extremely positive through virtual means, with plans to continue these post-pandemic.

**S. McMenemy left the meeting at 17:48**

## 3. CONSENT AGENDA:

The Board of Directors received and reviewed:

- 3.1 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING – MARCH 2021
- 3.2 MINUTES OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING-APRIL 2021
- 3.3 JOINT REPORT FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CHIEF OF STAFF, & CHIEF NURSING EXECUTIVE
- 3.4 JOINT REPORT – COVID 19
- 3.5 REPORT FROM THE FAMILY HEALTH TEAM

**MOTION #104 2020-21: THAT** the Board of Directors of the Dryden Regional Health Centre approves the items from the Consent Agenda, as presented.  
**Moved by: B. Moore-Bunney                      Seconded by: K. Seeley**  
**CARRIED**

**ITEMS SEVERED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: NONE**

## 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- 4.1 Director Attendance
- 4.2 Board Meeting Evaluation Summary- March 2021

Director Attendance and Board Meeting Evaluation Summary from March 2021 were circulated and reviewed.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS:

Pillar	Topic	Priorities
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<p><b>Our Patients and Families</b></p>	<p><b><u>Medical Staff Report</u></b>          No items for discussion</p> <p><b><u>Procurement – Disclosures and/or Reports</u></b>          No items for discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ <i>Integrate mental health across all services</i></li> <li>★ <i>Work with specific groups of patients and families to understand and improve their experience across the continuum of care</i></li> <li>★ <i>Advance evidence-based care, quality, and safety</i></li> </ul>
<p><b>Our People</b></p>	<p><b><u>Board Recruitment Update</u></b>          D. Armstrong-Ross shared with the Board that to date, only one application has come in, with 5 Board vacancies to be filled for next year, asking the Board for ideas for recruiting new Board members or organizations that can be reached out to. To date, information has been circulated on social media, and letters have been sent to a wide array of community partners. A suggestion made to look into members of the Patient and Family Advisory Committee (PFAC) and snowbirds, who may be able to join virtually now we are comfortable with that technology. Board members were asked to consider their own contacts for those who may be a good fit.</p> <p><b><u>Nominations for Board Treasurer</u></b>          J. Green called for nominations for the Officer of Treasurer of the Board. B. Szabo was nominated by B. Moore-Bunney, and the nomination was seconded by T. Ledoux. The Chair called for further nominations three times.</p> <p><b>MOTION #105 2020/2021: THAT</b> nominations for the office of Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Dryden Regional Health Centre be closed.  <b>Moved by: S. Boyko                      Seconded by: K. Seeley</b>  <b>CARRIED</b></p> <p><b>MOTION #106 2020/2021 THAT</b> the Board of Directors of the Dryden Regional Health Centre appoints by acclamation Brenden Szabo Treasurer of the Board for the period from April 28, 2021 to June 16, 2021.  <b>Moved by: T. Ledoux                      Seconded by: C. Brown</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ <i>Strengthen leadership capability</i></li> <li>★ <i>Continue to build a respectful, inclusive, safe, and healthy culture</i></li> <li>★ <i>Enhance the well-being of our people</i></li> </ul>



<p><b>Our Partners</b></p>	<p>(No Items for Discussion)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ <i>Engage with Indigenous peoples to develop culturally appropriate care to better meet their health needs</i></li> <li>★ <i>Work with our local, district, and regional partners to make high quality care more accessible and better coordinated</i></li> </ul>
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**6. IN-CAMERA SESSION:**

**Motion #107 2020/21:** THAT the Board of Directors of the Dryden Regional Health Centre adjourns to the In-camera session at 17:59 hrs.  
**Moved by: B. Szabo                      Seconded by: C. Brown**  
**CARRIED**

**S. McCarthy left the meeting at 17: 59.**

**7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

**Motion #114 2020/21:** THAT, the Board of Directors of the Dryden Regional Health Centre approves the credentialing of Medical Staff, as presented in the In-Camera Session.  
**Moved by: B. Moore-Bunney                      Seconded by: K. Seeley**  
**CARRIED**

**8. MEETING WITHOUT MANAGEMENT**

The Independent Directors adjourned to a Meeting Without Management at 18:20 hours and returned the Open session at 19:03 hours

**9. RESTRICTED IN-CAMERA SESSION**

**MOTION #115 2020/2021:** THAT the Board of Directors of the Dryden Regional Health Centre adjourn to a Restricted In-Camera Session ay 17:03 hours  
**Moved by: M. Ferguson                      Seconded by: K. Seeley**  
**CARRIED.**

**10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE RESTRICTED IN-CAMERA SESSION – None**

**11. DIRECTORS ISSUES – NONE**

## 12. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following information items were circulated and reviewed:

- MEMO: Regional Surgical Services
- MEMO: Dialysis Proposal Update

## 13. ADJOURNMENT:

**Motion #117 2020/21: THAT**, the Board of Directors of the Dryden Regional Health Centre adjourned the meeting at 19:30 hours.

**Moved by: B. Moore-Bunney    Seconded by: C. Brown**

**CARRIED**

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Judi Green, Chair

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Doreen Armstrong-Ross, Chief Executive Officer