

**MINUTES OF THIRTEEN PUBLIC MEETING OF THE CENTRAL REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY  
HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022 VIA VIRTUAL MICROSOFT TEAMS**

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**PRESENT:**

Mr. Don Sturge, Board Chair	Mr. Thomas Kendell, Vice Chair
Mr. Rick LeDrew	Ms. Bonnie Pritchett
Mr. Hector Pearce	Mr. David Oxford
Mr. Fred Penney	Ms. Valerie Hoskins
Mr. Des Dillon	Mr. David Oxford
Ms. Judy White	Ms. Jennifer Whalen
Ms. Andrée Robichaud, President & CEO	
Ms. Barbara Parsons, Recording Secretary	

**REGRETS:**

Ms. Maisie Clark	Mr. Max Taylor
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**SENIOR MANAGEMENT PRESENT:**

Mr. John Kattenbusch	Ms. Joanne Pelley
Mr. Adam Randell	Mr. Craig Davis
Dr. David Carroll	Ms. Kelly Muggridge
Mr. David Perry	Ms. Gayle St. Croix

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **1. Call to Order; Welcome and Introductions**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Don Sturge, Board Chair, at 7:00 p.m.

- Mr. Don Sturge provided a general welcome and individual introduction of Board Trustees to all in attendance.
- Ms. Andrée Robichaud provided individual introduction of Senior Management Team to all in attendance.
- The Board Chair provided a land acknowledgment, ...*"as we gather virtually from communities across central Newfoundland, Central Health would like to respectfully acknowledge the province of Newfoundland and Labrador as the ancestral homelands of many diverse populations of Indigenous people who have contributed to 9,000 years of history including the Beothuk on the Island of Newfoundland. Today, this province is home to diverse populations of Indigenous and other people. We also acknowledge with respect the diverse histories and cultures of the Mi'kmaq, Innu, and Inuit."*
- The Chair noted that the open meetings is part of our Board's commitment to ongoing engagement with communities, and to building strong effective partnerships throughout the whole Central Health region.
- Reference was made to the schedule of meetings and dates posted on the Central Health website.

### **2. Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was circulated in the Board package for review and approval.

***It was moved by Mr. Thomas Kendell and seconded by Ms. Valerie Hoskins to accept the January 25, 2022 agenda for the Central Regional Health Authority Board Meeting be adopted as circulated. MOTION CARRIED***

### **3. Conflict of Interest Disclosure**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

### **4. Patient Story**

Ms. Joanne Pelley, Vice President of Integrated Health and Chief Nursing Executive shared the essence of patient and family centered care related to COVID vaccine and swabbing clinics.

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

### **5. Consent Agenda Items**

The minutes of the Central Health December 7, 2021 Public meeting were circulated in the Board package for review and approval.

***It was moved by Mr. Fred Penney and seconded by Mr. Des Dillon to accept the minutes of the Central Health December 7, 2021 Public meeting as circulated. MOTION CARRIED***

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATION / BOARD EDUCATION**

### **6. Presentation:**

Ms. Joanne Pelley, Vice President of Integrated Health and Chief Nursing Executive presented on a Central Health COVID update. Board Trustees were provided opportunity to ask questions and answers were given.

## **BOARD, MEDICAL STAFF, AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **7. Chair's Report**

The Board Chair, Mr. Don Sturge, provided a verbal report and highlights since the last December 7, 2021 Public Board meeting.

- The Chair noted that the beginning of 2022, once again, had been particularly challenging for Central Health staff, our communities, and the province has been battling the Covid-19 variant Omicron.
- We applaud everyone for your resilience as well as your good efforts and diligence as we continue to navigate this global pandemic.
- Reference was made to the fact that Newfoundland and Labrador have the highest vaccination rates in the country and we must be vigilant and get our booster shot to do our part in helping to eradicate this virus.
- The Board of Trustees have been very well briefed on the struggles and long hours

- everyone has been working and especially through the past holiday season.
- The Board Chair referenced the Health Accord and noted that it was preparing to release their report and the Board of Trustees are looking forward to reviewing the recommendations. Members of the general public are encouraged to continue to participate in the Town Hall meetings as they are announced.
  - This Health Accord Report may become the road map to the future of our healthcare system in Newfoundland and Labrador so please take advantage of the opportunity to help shape our future.

***It was moved Mr. Don Sturge and seconded by Ms. Valerie Hoskins to accept the Chair's report as tabled. MOTION CARRIED***

### **8. President & CEO and Senior Management Team Report**

The President & Chief Executive Officer and Senior Management Team Report was circulated in the Board package.

As well as the written report, the President and Chief Executive Officer provided an update on the following additional items:

- Acknowledgement of all Central Health staff regarding the much work over the last number of months with the many challenges.
- Meet with Coast of Bays group regarding the reestablishment of Medical Services in the area.
- Medical Services in the Green Bay area.
- Meeting with MHA Derek Bennett and some of the stakeholders of the Twillingate and Summerford area.
- Personal Care Home COVID outbreak.
- Central Health continues to provide regular all Staff weekly meetings and when things resume to regular work live these will continue on a monthly basis
- The ongoing work of the Health Hub.

Board Trustees were provided an opportunity to ask questions to the President & CEO and Senior Management Team as it is related to the report and answers were given.

***It was moved by Mr. Fred Penney and seconded by Mr. Thomas Kendell acceptance of the President & CEO and Senior Management Team report as tabled. MOTION CARRIED***

### **9. Resource Planning Committee Report**

Ms. Bonnie Pritchett, Resource Planning Committee Chair, provided a verbal report and answered questions.

***It was moved by Ms. Bonnie Pritchett and seconded by Mr. Des Dillon acceptance of the report of the Planning and Finance Committee as tabled. MOTION CARRIED***

### **10. Quality Assurance & Performance Committee Report**

Ms. Valerie Hoskins, Quality Assurance & Performance Committee Chair, provided a verbal report and answered questions.

***It was moved by Ms. Valerie Hoskins and seconded by Mr. Fred Penney acceptance of the report of the Quality Assurance and Performance Committee report as tabled. MOTION CARRIED***

## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **11. Date and Location of the Next Board Meeting**

The next meeting of the Central Health Board is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 via Microsoft Teams.

There was motion by Mr. Fred Penney to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

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Secretary

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Chair