

**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC MEETING (“MEETING”)  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (THE “BOARD”)  
OF BRITISH COLUMBIA EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES (“BCEHS”)  
HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2018 AT  
PHSA CORPORATE OFFICE  
7<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR – 1380 BURRARD STREET  
VANCOUVER, BC  
AT 9:00 A.M.**

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**In Attendance:**

<b>Directors:</b>	Tim Manning, Chair	Dr. Ken Bassett	Lorianna Bennett
	Dr. Don Brooks	Suki Gill	Robert Kiesman
	Gary Pooni	Pauline Rafferty	Allan Ritchie
	Sharon Stromdahl	David Turchen	

**Regrets:** Chief Clarence Louie

<b>Management:</b>	Carl Roy	Linda Lupini	Tom Chan
	Sandra MacKay	Kendra McPherson	Ron Quirk
	Donna Wilson	Cathy Prentice (Recorder)	

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Tim Manning, Board Chair, called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. It was established that a quorum of the Board was present. Ms. Cathy Prentice was appointed recording secretary of the Meeting.

**ADDRESS TO THE PUBLIC**

There were no public presentations.

**AGENDA**

*Upon Motion, duly seconded, the Meeting agenda was approved as circulated.*

**1.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

*Upon Motion, duly seconded, the following resolution was passed:*

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** *the minutes of the Board meeting held September 19, 2018 be approved.*

**2.0 BCEHS PRESENTATION**

Environmental Sustainability – Hybrid Ambulance Pilot

Ms. Linda Lupini, Executive Vice President PHSA and BCEHS, advised BCEHS has launched a pilot to evaluate a hybrid ambulance. One other jurisdiction in Canada has put hybrid ambulance vehicles on the road along with several in the U.S. Moving to a hybrid vehicle fleet will both reduce fuel consumption and carbon emissions. Hybrid drivetrains improve fuel economy by converting energy, created by braking, to power the vehicle. A hybrid ambulance vehicle can be expected to reduce fuel consumption by 11-20 per cent. The public appreciates a reliable and greener solution to deliver pre-hospital care.

The first hybrid ambulance went into service on July 12, 2018 and has been operating 24 hours a day, minus days for servicing, ever since. The ambulance is manufactured by the supplier Crestline Coach Ltd., based in Saskatoon. Cost savings come from reduced fuel consumption, reduced vehicle maintenance costs and reduced carbon offset costs.

Comments, questions and responses were as follows:

- Regarding hybrid ambulance use in rural and remote areas, Ms. Lupini advised ambulances are regularly rotated and recycled, including in rural and remote areas. With increasing

kilometres travelled and expected fuel price increases, hybrid ambulances will reduce costs and emissions in all areas of the province.

The Chair acknowledged the exciting initiative and thanked Ms. Lupini for the informative presentation.

### 3.0 NEW BUSINESS

#### 3.1 Executive Update

Ms. Linda Lupini advised that all matters normally outlined in the Executive Update would be addressed in the BCEHS Closed Board Meeting. Ms. Lupini advised of one update:

- BCEHS recently held a Leaders' Forum and distributed Exemplary Service Awards. BC's Lieutenant Governor, Janet Austin, was in attendance. Ms. Lupini advised numerous awards were presented for outstanding efforts "Above and Beyond the Call of Duty", acknowledging paramedic efforts in mass casualty events, caring for communities, volunteering and Good Samaritan deeds.

#### 3.2 Meeting Closed to the Public

Ms. Sandra MacKay, Chief Legal and Freedom of Information and Privacy Officer, advised of certain items proposed for discussion at the upcoming non-public meeting of the Board.

### 4.0 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### 4.1 Quality & Access

Mr. Allan Ritchie, Chair, Quality & Access Committee, advised of three items for information.

Mr. Ritchie advised that the initiation of the Clinical Response Model has allowed for an improved prioritization of patients and appropriate responses. Improvements have been observed in Codes Purple and Red response times.

The Committee received a report on critical patient incidents and reviewed important foundational areas in quality that Management is driving forward.

An excellent presentation on the BCEHS transformation process was received. Mr. Ritchie advised BCEHS is an organization that is integrating within the healthcare system and the Committee highly commended BCEHS for its vision, implementation and focus on the future.

#### 4.2 People & Governance

Ms. Pauline Rafferty, Chair, People & Governance Committee, advised of one item for approval.

##### Annual Review of Board Governance Guidelines and Policies

The Committee carried out its scheduled review of Policies. Policy changes brought forward were explained in the Committee briefing notes and discussed at the Committee meeting.

***Upon Motion, duly seconded, the following resolution was passed:***

***BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Board Governance Guidelines and Policies, in the form presented in the Meeting materials, be approved:***

- *Board, Board Committee, Chair and Directors Evaluation process Policy;*
- *Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Guidelines for Directors Policy;*
- *Board Record Retention Policy;*
- *Long Term Board Renewal Plan Policy.*

#### 4.3 Finance

No report.

#### 4.4 Audit

No report.

4.5 Research  
No report.

**5.0 BUSINESS ARISING**  
No business arising was identified.

**6.0 NEXT MEETING**  
**February 14, 2019 in Vancouver.**

**7.0 TERMINATION** – The meeting terminated at 9:35 a.m.