

**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC TELECONFERENCE MEETING (“MEETING”)
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (THE “BOARD”)
OF BRITISH COLUMBIA EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES (“BCEHS”)
HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2021
AT 8:30 A.M.**

In Attendance:

Directors:	Tim Manning, Chair Donisa Bernardo Dr. Kerry Jang Sharon Stromdahl	Dr. Ken Bassett Suki Gill Robert Kiesman David Turchen	Lorianna Bennett Sandra Martin Harris Gary Pooni
Regrets:	Chief Clarence Louie		
Guest:	Elder Gerry Oleman		
Management:	Jaci Edgeworth Scott MacNair Ron Quirk Cathy Prentice (Recorder)	Lexie Flatt Kendra McPherson Donna Wilson	Michael Lord Dr. Maureen O'Donnell Susan Wannamaker

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Tim Manning, Board Chair, called the Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. It was established that a quorum of the Board was present. Ms. Cathy Prentice was appointed recording secretary of the Meeting.

The Chair requested the Directors to declare any conflict with the agenda items. No declarations came forward.

INDIGENOUS WELCOME

The Chair provided a land acknowledgement and welcomed Elder Gerry Oleman to provide the Indigenous Welcome for the meeting. The Chair advised Elder Gerry is of St'át'imc descent from Shalalth, BC. Shalalth means “by the Lake”. Elder Gerry has worked in human service since 1976. In addition Elder Gerry works with Indigenous Health at PHSA primarily in Aboriginal Youth Wellness and the San'yas Training platform.

CHAIR ADDRESS TO THE PUBLIC

The Chair provided an address to the public acknowledging events of the past week. Members of the Board and Management were introduced. The Chair advised that Dr. David Byres has been appointed as Interim President & CEO for BCEHS and PHSA and provided background on Dr. Byres experience and credentials. The Chair thanked BCEHS and PHSA staff for their efforts during this unprecedented time in facing both the ongoing opioid crisis and COVID-19 pandemic.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No questions from the public were received.

AGENDA

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Board of Directors approves the Meeting agenda as circulated.

1.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the BCEHS Board of Directors approves the minutes of the public Board meeting held November 26, 2020.

2.0 NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Closed to the Public

Ms. Donna Wilson, Executive Vice President, People, Diagnostic & Treatment Services advised of four items proposed for discussion at the upcoming non-public meeting of the Board.

Motion

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the BCEHS Board of Directors approves that the four items described be placed on the agenda and discussed at the BC Emergency Health Services non-public Board meeting.

3.0 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

3.1 Quality & Access

No report.

3.2 People & Governance

Mr. Robert Kiesman, Chair, People & Governance Committee advised of one item for information and four items for approval.

For information

Board of Directors Policy Review Deferral

The Committee recommended deferral of review of the Fostering a Culture of Respect Policies and the President & CEO Evaluation Policy until the April 21, 2021 Committee meeting.

For approval

Review Proposed Cultural Safety & Humility Committee Terms of Reference

The Committee reviewed the proposed introduction of a Cultural Safety & Humility Committee structure and its Terms of Reference.

Motion

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the BCEHS Board of Directors approves the establishment of a Cultural Safety & Humility Committee as a Standing Committee of the Board.

Motion

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the BCEHS Board of Directors approves the proposed Cultural Safety & Humility Committee Terms of Reference with certain changes as discussed at the meeting.

Motion

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the BCEHS Board of Directors authorizes the Chair to discuss membership on the Cultural Safety & Humility Committee with Directors and appoint members accordingly.

Policy Updates

The Committee carried out its scheduled review of Board Policies. Changes to the Policies were explained in the accompanying briefing notes and discussed in Committee.

Motion

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the BCEHS Board of Directors approves that following Board Polices, in the form presented in the Meeting materials, with certain changes discussed at the meeting:

Code of Ethics Policy

Standards of Business Conduct Policy
Theft, Fraud, Corruption & Non-Compliant Activities Policy

3.3 Finance

Mr. David Turchen, Chair, Finance Committee, advised of one item for approval.

Board Policy Framework

The Committee carried out its scheduled review of Board Policies. Changes to the Policies were explained in the accompanying briefing notes and discussed in Committee. Management reviewed the policies and updated various sections of the policies. It was noted that the Financial Signing Authority; Board and CEO Policies and the Capital Asset Governance Policy be reviewed at the April 22, 2021 Committee meeting.

Motion

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the BCEHS Board of Directors approves the Banking, Borrowing and Board Compensation and Expense Policy.

3.4 Audit

Ms. Suki Gill, Chair, Audit Committee, advised of one item for approval

Auditor Independence Policy

In accordance with the Board Policy Framework which requires all Board approved policies to be reviewed on an annual basis, Management performed a review of the Auditor Independence Policy and proposed a revision to Section 2.1.4 to reflect changes in senior management titles.

Motion

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the BCEHS Board of Directors approves the revised Auditor Independence Policy as presented.

3.5 Research

No report.

4.0 **BUSINESS ARISING**

None identified.

5.0 **NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, April 29, 2021 Location/Format to be confirmed.

6.0 **TERMINATION**

The meeting terminated at 9:00 a.m.