



Summary of Board Minutes Thursday, May 20, 2010

Selkirk & District General Hospital Redevelopment

Jim Rodger, Kevin Beresford, Doreen Fey and Kevin O'Donovan met with the City of Selkirk on April 19th about the City of Selkirk taking the lead on the fundraising campaign. In follow up to the meeting, the Interlake RHA sent a letter to the council. Kevin will follow-up with the acting CAO for the City of Selkirk.

We are progressing well in the Design & Development Phase and two of the four sets of User Group meetings have taken place. The Equipment Planner is now engaged and meetings are in progress.

Midwifery Services

The Interlake RHA will work with the Winnipeg RHA for interim services for Interlake residents. The Board questioned if other rural RHAs provide this service and if the Interlake RHA would receive funding in the future for midwifery services. Kevin Beresford stated that a number of rural RHAs have special funded midwifery services; the Interlake RHA is not funded for this service and it does not look promising for the near future, due to current economic conditions.

Research Project

The proposed study is intended to gain feedback from Interlake RHA staff regarding access and understanding of mental health resources within our region. It was noted that an Ethics Review had already been completed by the University of Manitoba and has received their approval. The Board moved and approved a motion in support of the Research Study 'Interlake Region Health Provider Opinion Survey' as presented.

Semi Annual Meeting with MLAs

Jim Rodger asked the Board for direction on when to schedule the next meeting with MLAs. It was agreed to look at September or October. The proposed location for the meeting is Teulon. Donna will contact the MLA's offices for potential dates this fall.

Health Plan

Jim Rodger and Kevin Beresford reviewed past practice for Board approval of the Health Plan. In past years, the Executive Committee reviewed the submission prior to it being presented to the Board. Taking all factors into account including a soon upcoming submission deadline, the Board supported a revised process which will identify the critical needs and will provide realistic financial numbers.

Kevin Beresford reviewed the draft Health Plan submission for 2011/ 2012. In the General Operating Analysis there are 10 areas of critical volume and price pressures identified and prioritized by management. We have also documented areas that will require additional funding. The major capital projects and specialized equipment will be forwarded with the Strategic Plan later this year. Following discussion, the Board passed a motion to approve the Interlake RHA Health Plan 2011 / 2012 as presented.

Living Well Conference

Jim Rodger advised the Board that two spaces are available to attend the June 2nd and 3rd Living Well Conference in Gimli. If anyone is interested, please advise Donna Stevens.

HEPP HEBP Board Nominations

Jim Rodger and Kevin Beresford advised that there is a call for nominations for the HEPP and HEBP Boards and reviewed the process for appointment. Nominations will be received up to 12 noon on June 4th and voting will be held on June 10, 2010 at the Council of Chairs meeting.

Finance Committee

Year End Financial Position

For this year end, the deficit will be approximately \$2.9 to \$3.1 million, depending on final year-end adjustments. A significant increase in the deficit was attributed to change in the pre-retirement accrual, based on the latest actuarial review. This was as a result of the change in the interest rates used in the calculation, which was based on the downturn of the world economy. This change did not impact on the cash position and all RHAs were affected.

Special Finance Meeting

There will be an additional Finance meeting on June 2nd for the Finance to discuss the 2010/11 operating budget and provide senior management direction to prepare the budget. The Interlake RHA has attempted to the greatest extent possible to mitigate costs. It was also noted that from an oversight perspective, Manitoba Health gets regular financial reporting from all RHAs, so is kept up to date on the current financial position.

Planning Committee

Strategic Planning Process

As part of the planning process, the Board is asked to review the current Vision, Mission and Values. A template was circulated at the Board meeting for completion to be returned with feedback to Terry Cannon by June 4th. For convenience, this will also be circulated electronically to Board members.

The Board also passed a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Committee to approve the 2011 / 2011 Communication Plan as presented.

Fisher River PCH Agreement

As previously reported, we are in the initial stages of the development of a service purchase agreement (SPA) with Fisher River, which will stipulate the roles and responsibilities of Fisher River and the Interlake RHA in relation to their PCH operation and standards. Once a draft is prepared, we will establish a meeting to move the project forward.

Hodgson Dialysis Project

This is expected to be operational in the fall of 2011. However, there is still a lot of work that needs to be done, such as establishing an appropriate operating budget, adequate program management, establishment of Memos of Understanding with Percy E. Moore Hospital for ancillary services support, relationship and support of the Northern Medical Unit in the staffing and initial program support.

VP Corporate Services Resignation

Sherry Lees has resigned from her position effective July 31, 2010. We are currently in the process of recruiting for this position and deadline for applications is May 21st.

Capital Projects

Eriksdale Hospital Project - Phase 2 is complete and we are now on the final phase of the project, which will hopefully be complete by July.

Eriksdale Wellness Project - construction is going well and it is expected to be complete by the end of May and operational by mid-summer.

Arborg ER - renovations are complete and been reopened.

West St Paul EMS - is now complete and operational. There is some landscaping that needs to be done.

Gimli Dialysis - The work continues on schedule and it is expected to be operational by December.

Correspondence

Letter Re: Crisis Stabilization Unit for West Interlake

It was noted that while the Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) and the new Mobile Crisis Unit (MCU) for youth are located in Selkirk, these are specialty services for the entire Interlake and North Eastman regions. While there is acknowledgement of the needs in this area, at this point it is not financially feasible to locate an additional service base. A letter of response will be sent and copy will be included in the next Board package.

Round Table

Ruby Tretiak brought a copy of the 'Physician Recruitment and Retention in Manitoba - Best Practices' pamphlet that Manitoba Health had published. Dr. Cary Chapnick had asked her to share this with the Board and to look at the section on community responsibilities in welcoming physicians.

Next Meeting

The next Regular Board Meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 24, 2010, in Stonewall. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.