

Date: Tuesday, March 25, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM

Venue: Ian N. Morrison Research Farm, Carman, Manitoba / teams link added

Attendees: Adam Monteith, Edward Grenier; Dale Gislason; Talbot Bergsma; Peter Veldhuis; Shelley Irvine Day; Larry Driedger; Cynthia Rempel Patrick; Dana Human; Ainsley Wiebe; Stephanie Rozsa, Jennifer Frey; Ales Morga; Kyla McCallum (recording secretary)

Regrets: Liz Merrick Arlene Cole; Dr. Aly Dhala; Lorraine Cassan; Trish Braun;

- 1. Call to Order and Welcome:** Mr. Adam Monteith welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 2:28pm

Land Acknowledgement: *The Southern Health-Santé Sud Board of Directors acknowledges that the land on which it gathers is Treaty 1 and Treaty 3 territory, and the national homeland of the Red River Métis. We respect the treaties that were made on these territories and acknowledge the harms and mistakes. We dedicate ourselves to move forward collaboratively in partnership with First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples in the spirit of reconciliation.*

The Board of Directors also acknowledges that Southern Health-Santé Sud has multiple cultures and is a designated bilingual region.

Sacred Moment: Mr. Edward Grenier reflected on his life as a farmer and reference: Paul Harvey ["So God made a Farmer"](#)

- 2. Approval of Agenda**

MOTION THAT: The Southern Health-Santé Sud Board of Directors approve the proposed Board agenda as distributed.

Moved by: Shelley Irvine Day

Seconded by: consensus

Carried

- 3. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting held February 28, 2025**

MOTION THAT: The Southern Health-Santé Sud Board of Directors approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 28, 2025

Moved by: Peter Veldhuis

Seconded by: consensus

Carried

4. In-camera Report: no report

5. Board Committees:

Finance Committee of the Whole Report: Mr. Peter Veldhuis reported that Ms. Ainsley Wiebe shared a report indicating a \$2.775M year to date operating surplus as of February 28, 2025 however expect to end with a small operating year end surplus.

Quality Patient Safety Committee of the Whole Report: Ms. Cynthia Rempel Patrick indicated that monthly reports were shared as well as an Accreditation update.

Community & Stakeholder Engagement Committee: Mr. Larry Driedger indicated reports were shared.

6. Population Report: Ms. Ales Morga shared a population presentation on our growth and trends in our region.

Strongest Growth Areas: Population growth is concentrated in urban centres and nearby communities:

- Winnipeg (Niverville Town, Ritchot RM, Headingly RM, Macdonald RM)
- Portage la Prairie City (Portage RM)
- Morden/Winkler Cities (Stanley RM)
- Steinbach City (Ste. Anne/La Broquerie, Hanover RM)

7. Board Education & Events – Monthly Cultural Safety Lunch and Learn - April 7th - 12:30-1:30pm virtually - The Lunch and learn in April will be teachings about the qulliq from Inuit Elder Martha Peet. The qulliq: Is a half moon shaped oil lamp used for light, heating and cooking. In Inuit culture, women are flame-keepers. It symbolizes women's strength, care, and life-giving abilities.

8. Board Monitoring:

- GP-16 - Board Education & Self-Assessment – Mr. Adam Monteith summarized the policy and reminded members to complete the short Monthly Meeting board evaluation.

9. Chair's Report:

- Provincial Board Chair Meetings – An in-person meeting is being scheduled for April 28, 2025.

10. Monthly Board Meeting Evaluation: A link to the meeting evaluation will be sent to Board members to complete.

11. Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 29, 2025 Altona Community Memorial Health Centre.

12. Adjournment

MOTION THAT: The Southern Health-Santé Sud Board of Directors adjourn the meeting and move to in-camera (without staff) by consensus at 1:50pm.