



Elected	Wanda Percival, Board Chair	David Kimmerly, Treasurer
Governors:	Pat Clarke, Governor	Paul McPherson, Governor
	Larry Hope, Governor	Bob Nielson, Governor
	Beverley John, Governor	Christine Norris, Vice Chair
	Bonnie Kennedy, Governor	Karissa Ward, Governor
Ex-Officio /	Dr. Bharat Chawla, Chief of Staff	Pat O'Reilly, CKL Council Representative
Appointed	Kelly Isfan, President & CEO	Anne Overhoff, VP Clinical / CNE
Governors:		
Regrets:	Anne Botond, President, RMH Auxiliary	Dr. Andy Knox, VP Professional Staff
	Dr. Mostafa El Beheiry, President, Professional Staff	Meri Saunders, Governor (LOA)
Staff	Tamra Fierheller, Executive Assistant, Recorder	Paul Truscott, CFO & CIO
Resources:	Veronica Nelson, VP & COO	
Guests:		

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. W. Percival, Chair, called the (Open) meeting to order at 5:45 pm.

1.1 **Quorum** – Quorum was confirmed.

1.2 **Approval of Agenda** – The agenda was reviewed. Thereafter, there was a
MOTION: That the agenda be approved as presented.

Ms. P. Clarke/Mr. L. Hope, **CARRIED**

1.3 **Declarations of Conflict of Interest** – None declared.

1.4 **Acknowledgement of the Hospital's Vision/Mission/Values** – The hospital's Vision, Mission and Values were acknowledged.

1.5 **Patient Story** – A patient story was shared.

2. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Items identified as part of the consent agenda were pre-circulated and the related motions were presented as follows:

1. **MOTION: That the draft minutes of the (Open) Board of Governors meeting of November 25, 2021 be approved as circulated.**

2. **MOTION: That the Board of Governors receives the report of the Ross Memorial Hospital Foundation CEO, dated February 2022.**

Thereafter, there was a

MOTION: That the Board of Governors approves motions 1 and 2 on the (Open) Consent Agenda for February 3, 2022 as presented.

Mr. P. McPherson/Ms. B. Kennedy, **CARRIED**

3. **BOARD BUSINESS – QUALITY/GOVERNANCE & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

The Quality/Governance & Planning Committee did not meet in January 2022.

4. **BOARD BUSINESS – RESOURCES & AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Resources & Audit Committee did not meet in January 2022.

5. **REPORTS**

5.1 Report of the Chief of Staff – The Report of the Chief of Staff dated February 3, 2022 was pre-circulated. Chief of Staff, Dr. B. Chawla reviewed the items referenced in the report. Of highlight were physician recruitment efforts/challenges in the Departments of Hospitalist Medicine, Internal Medicine, Psychiatry and Obstetrics.

Following an opportunity for discussion, there was a

MOTION: *That the Board of Governors receives the Report of the Chief of Staff for February 3, 2022.*

Ms. K. Ward/Ms. B. Kennedy, **CARRIED**

5.2 Report of the President & CEO – The Report of the President & CEO dated February 3, 2022 was pre-circulated. President & CEO, Ms. K. Isfan reviewed the items referenced in the report.

The Ontario Renal Network is supporting the hospital to operate two additional dialysis stations in 2022.

The strategic planning process will kick off with the inaugural meeting of the Steering Committee on February 17. A strategic planning session will occur with the Board at the retreat scheduled for April 29.

An update on the current impact of COVID-19 on hospital services and resources was provided, with it noted that the current Omicron wave has led to more local hospitalizations and a greater impact on hospital staffing than the previous waves. The hospital's COVID-19 Assessment Centre was relocated to the Armoury in early January to increase space and capacity, and was expanded to include physician assessments in addition to PCR swabbing. Current COVID-19 modelling predicts continued challenges for hospitals into March.

The Q3 financials will be reviewed with the Resources & Audit Committee in detail in February. Year-to-date, the hospital is in a surplus position despite a deficit in total operating expenses of (\$4.4-million), of which at least half is related to the impact of COVID-19. 2022/23 operating and capital budget planning is underway and will also be reviewed with the Resources & Audit Committee in greater detail in February. At this time, a balanced position is anticipated for the 2022/23 operating budget despite the additional operating pressures of the CIS. Consideration is being given to increasing the 2022/23 capital budget to help address current equipment needs.

Following an opportunity for discussion, there was a

MOTION: *That the Board of Governors receives the Report of the President & CEO for February 3, 2022.*

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 2021/22 Board Work Plan - The 2021/22 Board Work Plan was previously circulated. President & CEO, Ms. K. Isfan provided a high level overview of the work plan status as of January 2022. Ontario Health will be extending the current Service Accountability Agreement (SAA) terms and conditions through the 2022/23 fiscal year. The Board's Truth & Reconciliation Sub-Committee will convene in February to further efforts toward development of a new land acknowledgment. The Master Program / Master Plan Stage 1 Capital Submission was submitted to the Ministry's Capital Branch, but is currently awaiting Ontario Health East signoff which has been stalled due to COVID-19.

6.2 Next Meeting Date – March 3, 2022.

7. MOTION TO ADJOURN THE OPEN MEETING & MOVE INTO THE CLOSED MEETING

On a motion of Mr. Ms. P. Clarke, the Open meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm and the Board moved into its Closed meeting.

Chair

Secretary

Date