BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OPEN MEETING
By Videoconference

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 28, 2020

PRESENT:
Mr. Scott Smith (Chair)  Ms. Leisa Faulkner  Mr. Phil Pfeifer
Ms. Jenny Baker  Mr. Michael Harris  Dr. Peter Potts
Ms. Janine Barry  Mr. Don Kaluzny  Dr. Tom Stewart
Ms. Linda Fabi  Ms. Linda Maxwell  Mr. Jim Stirtzinger
Ms. Lee Fairclough  Mr. Stan Nahrgang  Ms. Marion Thomson Howell

REGrets:
Mr. Keith Martin  Dr. Bill Plaxton  Mr. Tim Rollins

RESOURCE:
Ms. Jui Datta  Ms. Sherri Ferguson  Ms. Anne Kelly
Ms. Susan Dusick  Mr. Gary Higgs

1.0 CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 p.m.

1.1 Opening Prayer/Reflection
Ms. Thomson Howell provided the reflection.

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA
4.3 Short Update from Tom

MOTION
It was moved that:
- The open agenda be approved with the change noted above.
- There is no conflict of interest noted.
- The open minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting of September 30, 2020 are approved as printed and circulated

Moved Stan, Seconded, VOTED AND CARRIED.

3.0 Generative Discussion: Deferred to in-camera meeting.

4.0 REPORTS

4.1 Report of the Chair: None.

4.2 Report of President
The President’s report was circulated with the meeting package. Ms. Fairclough noted that we have seen COVID activity increase in hospital and this has triggered certain processes to be put in place which is part of the St. Mary’s staged response plan.
4.3 Report of the President and CEO, St. Joseph’s Health System
Dr. Stewart began by acknowledging the St. Mary’s team during these unprecedented times. It is a challenge for them to keep people motivated as COVID fatigue sets in and we owe a debt to all staff at the hospital. It is pleasing to hear that we are able to open new beds and expense these as COVID incremental costs. A challenge for us as a system is how we catch up on the backlog of cases from wave 1. The experience with Forest Heights Long Term Care home was recognized and the work from this has been transferred to Niagara. This demonstrates the benefit of being part of the System.

4.3 Report of Chief of Staff: None

4.4 Update from Foundation
A report from the Foundation was circulated with the meeting package. Mr. Pfeifer briefly touched on the items provided.

4.5 Volunteer Association Report
A report from the Volunteer Association (VA) was circulated with the meeting package. Ms. Maxwell emphasized that most of the VA businesses remain closed and that revenues are down as a result. This also means that the annual VA donation to the Foundation for this fiscal year will be less than in past years. As we enter wave 2, the majority of the volunteers will remain at home.

4.6 Resource Planning and Utilization Committee (RP&U) Report
The RP&U open report was circulated with the meeting package.

4.7 Culture and Human Development Committee Report
A report from the meeting of the Culture and Human Development Committee was included in the meeting package. Mr. Smith commented that this committee is in the early stages of its pilot and that he is encouraged by the health human resources model that Ms. Ferguson presented.

5.0 INFORMATION/EDUCATION ITEMS

6.0 ADJOURNMENT: 4:25 p.m.

Motion: That the Board of Trustees move into the in camera meeting.

Moved, Seconded, VOTED AND CARRIED.

Scott Smith, Chair Lee Fairclough, President Susie Bell, Recorder
and Secretary to the Board