

## **SUMMARY OF THE PUBLIC BOARD MEETING – JUNE 29, 2010**

The Alberta Health Services Board (Board) met on June 29, 2010 at Rockyview General Hospital in Calgary. The following is an account of the resolutions approved at the meeting. A Summary is released following each Board meeting and posted on the Alberta Health Services (AHS) website. The meeting can also be viewed in its entirety from a link at [www.albertahealthservices.ca](http://www.albertahealthservices.ca). If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the Board Office at [ahsb.admin@albertahealthservices.ca](mailto:ahsb.admin@albertahealthservices.ca) or 1-866-943-1120.

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#### **1. BMO Corporate Card Facility**

As part of the transition to Alberta Health Services, there is a need to consolidate the eight separate legacy corporate credit card and purchasing card programs to ensure consistent compliance reporting, reduce administrative effort and introduce rebate opportunities through a combined spend volume. The Alberta Health Services Board considered a recommendation to establish a corporate card facility.

The Alberta Health Services Board authorized Alberta Health Services (AHS) to enter into an agreement with Bank of Montreal (BMO) pursuant to which BMO would extend credit to AHS by way of a BMO Corporate Card Facility, and authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate to enter into the MasterCard credit facility with BMO and to do such other things as AHS management considers necessary or advisable in order to give full effect to the foregoing.

## **2. Investment Policy**

The Alberta Health Services Board is required to make Bylaws respecting its investment powers pursuant to the *Regional Health Authorities Regulation*. Although the Bylaw sets high level parameters describing investment objectives, ethical standards, general principles, and governance, the organization also requires a Policy to supplement and provide further detail in certain areas. The Investment Policy was developed to support this requirement and was considered by the Board.

**The Alberta Health Services Board approved the Investment Policy.**

> [AHS Investment Policy](#)

## **3. 2009/2010 Annual Report, Management Discussion & Analysis, and Financial Statements**

The Alberta Health Services Board is required to prepare and submit to the Minister of Health and Wellness an Annual Report in compliance with the *Government Accountability Act* and the *Regional Health Authorities Act*. The Board is also required to approve the AHS Audited Consolidated Financial Statements and Management Discussion and Analysis which will be included in the Annual Report. The Board considered the above.

**The Alberta Health Services Board approved:**

- 1. \$628,114,000 of operating net assets be restricted to represent the amount invested in capital assets as at March 31, 2010;**
- 2. The Alberta Health Services Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended, March 31, 2010 and directs the President and Chief Executive Office to submit this to the Minister of Health and Wellness and to make this publicly available within seven days of delivering them to the Minister;**
- 3. The Management Discussion and Analysis for the year ended March 31, 2010 and directs the President and Chief Executive Officer to submit to the Minister of Health and Wellness; and**
- 4. The Annual Report for the year ended, March 31, 2010 and directs the President and Chief Executive Office to submit this to the Minister of Health and Wellness.**

> [AHS Consolidated Financial Statements – March 31, 2010](#)

> [Backgrounder: Consolidated Financial Statements – April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010](#)

## **4. Fourth Quarter Investment Report – March 31, 2010**

The Alberta Health Services Board is required to approve a consolidated summary of the investment portfolios quarterly. The Board considered the Fourth Quarter Investment Report.

**The Alberta Health Services Board approved the Fourth Quarter Investment Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2010.**

5. **Edmonton South Clinic Parkade**

The Edmonton Clinic project includes a 1,200 stall parkade which is being debt-funded by AHS. This parkade will provide public parking for patient and visitors to both the Edmonton Clinic and the Cross Cancer Institute. Construction is underway and AHS has initiated negotiations to convert this project to a stipulated lump sum contract. The approved capital budget for this parkade is \$63,913,000 and the Board considered an increase in the project budget of \$3.3 million to be funded from debt.

**The Alberta Health Services Board approved an increase to the Edmonton South Clinic Parkade project budget of \$3.3 million with funding from debt.**

6. **Purchase of Horizon Village, Drayton Valley (Unit #3)**

At the time Horizon Village was developed it was to provide opportunities for low income seniors in Drayton Valley to own residential units, with the assurance that they would be able to divest themselves of the units to the health authority when they could no longer use them. Currently there is a waiting list for Unit #3 from the owners of the other four units to upgrade from their 1 bedroom to this two bedroom unit. The Board considered a recommendation on the sale of this property.

**The Alberta Health Services Board authorized Alberta Health Services to purchase residential Unit #3 in Horizon Village, a four unit low income Seniors residence in Drayton Valley, for a purchase price of \$109,250, and any two officers are authorized to negotiate, sign, execute and deliver, in the name and on behalf of AHS, any and all agreements or other written instruments and to take all such other actions, as such officers consider necessary or desirable to give full effect to the foregoing resolutions.**

7. **Royal Alexandra Hospital Property Transfer, Edmonton (Phase 1)**

The City of Edmonton is exercising an option to purchase the property on the western tip of the Royal Alexandra Hospital site and AHS is obligated to complete the transfer of the property based historic property ownership agreements. The land is presently used solely for surface parking. The proposed transfer of a portion of the site would not adversely impact future facility growth or health services operations in the area. There will also be future benefits to the site, as the City is locating an LRT station immediately adjacent to the site. This is expected to have a positive impact on staff and public access to the site and mitigate the requirement for on-site parking. The Board considered a recommendation on the sale of this property.

**The Alberta Health Services Board authorized Alberta Health Services to sell a portion of the Royal Alexandra Hospital lands described more specifically as Area A, Plan 9222952 containing 0.893 acres more or less, to the City of Edmonton for the price of \$265,945.13, and any two officers are authorized to negotiate, sign, execute and deliver, in the name and on behalf of AHS, any and all agreements or other written instruments and to take all such other actions, as such officers consider necessary or desirable to give full effect to the foregoing resolutions.**

**8. Royal Alexandra Hospital Property Transfer, Edmonton (Phase 2)**

Consistent with the Phase 1 of the sale of property as noted above, the sale of this additional parcel of land at the Royal Alexandra Hospital site supports the same City of Edmonton LRT project. The Board considered a recommendation on the sale of this property.

**The Alberta Health Services Board authorized Alberta Health Services to sell a portion of the Royal Alexandra Hospital lands described more specifically as portions of Block 2, Lots 313 and 314, Plan 1619KS containing 1.001 acres more or less, to the City of Edmonton for the appraised value of \$3,379,000, and any two officers are authorized to negotiate, sign, execute and deliver, in the name and on behalf of AHS, any and all agreements or other written instruments and to take all such other actions, as such officers consider necessary or desirable to give full effect to the foregoing resolutions.**

**9. Annual Operating Budget and Business Plan Approval**

The Alberta Health Services Board considered the Alberta Health Services 2010/2011 Operating Budget which is intended to serve the population of Alberta by ensuring appropriate access to high quality, sustainable health services.

**The Alberta Health Services Board approved the 2010/2011 Operating Budget and Business Plan and, in compliance with legislative requirements including the *Government Accountability Act*, authorizes and directs management of AHS to give the 2010/2011 Operating Budget and Business Plan to the Minister of Alberta Health and Wellness, with such non-substantive changes that the President and Chief Executive Officer and the Minister may agree upon, and to take all such other actions as management of AHS considers necessary or advisable in order to give full effect to the foregoing.**

> [AHS Board approves 2010/11 budget; focus on seniors and acute care](#)

**10. 2010 – 2015 Health Plan – Improving Health for all Albertans**

After consultation with Health Advisory Councils, staff and physicians, the Alberta Health Services Board considered the *2010 – 2015 Health Plan: Improving Health for All Albertans* for submission to the Minister of the Health and Wellness for approval.

**The Alberta Health Services Board approved the Alberta Health Services 2010-2015 Health Plan – *Improving Health for All Albertans*, and authorizes and directs management of AHS to submit the 2010-2015 Health Plan to the Minister of Alberta Health and Wellness and to take all such other actions as management of AHS considers necessary or advisable in order to give full effect to the foregoing.**

#### **11. Appointments of Trustees to Individual Foundations/Health Trusts**

The Alberta Health Services Board is responsible for appointing Board Members for all Foundations established under the *Regional Health Authorities Act*. The Board considered the appointments of Board Members to five Foundations.

**The Alberta Health Services Board appointed the individuals listed below as trustees to the foundations appearing next to each individual's name with effect from June 29, 2010 for a term expiring on June 30, 2013:**

Pamela Brown	Alberta Hospital Edmonton and Community Mental Health Foundation
Kerry Day	Alberta Hospital Edmonton and Community Mental Health Foundation
Leonard Shapiro	Alberta Cancer Foundation
Carol Hanson	Brooks and District Health Foundation
Richard Wutzke	Brooks and District Health Foundation
Wilma Chorney	Crowsnest Pass Health Foundation
Maggie Olsen	Windy Slopes Health Foundation (Pincher Creek and Area)

#### **12. Bylaw Amendments – Alberta Hospital Edmonton and Community Mental Health Foundation**

The Alberta Health Services Board is responsible for approving Bylaw changes for all Foundations established under the *Regional Health Authorities Act*. Bylaws are then sent to the Minister of Health and Wellness for final approval. The Board considered amendments to the Alberta Hospital Edmonton and Community Mental Health Foundation bylaws.

**The Alberta Health Services Board approved the amendment of the Alberta Hospital Edmonton and Community Mental Health Foundation's bylaws which are being updated to reflect their new name "Mental Health Foundation".**

#### **13. Bylaw Amendments – Oyen and District Health Care Foundation**

The Alberta Health Services Board is responsible for approving Bylaw changes for all Foundations established under the *Regional Health Authorities Act*. Bylaws are then sent to the Minister of Health and Wellness for final approval. The Board considered amendments to the Oyen and District Health Care Foundation bylaws.

**The Alberta Health Services Board approved the amendment of Oyen and District Health Care Foundation's Bylaws, which are being updated to change occurrences of the phrase "Palliser Health Region" to "Alberta Health Services" and submit the amended Bylaws to Alberta Health and Wellness for final approval.**

#### **14. United Nurses of Alberta (UNA) Collective Agreement**

The Alberta Health Services Board considered the recommendations made by the Mediator with respect to the United Nurses of Alberta Collective agreement.

**Recommendations were made by a Mediator with respect to the United Nurses of Alberta Collective Agreement and is supportive.**

- A. a collective agreement between Alberta Health Services and the United Nurses of Alberta expired on March 31, 2010 and consequently, AHS and UNA negotiated a new collective agreement, with the exception of three issues which they were not able to agree upon;**
- B. a mediator was appointed and has made recommendations for the resolution of the three outstanding issues which provide for:**
  - a. the term of the Collective Agreement to be 3 years (April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2013),**
  - b. wage increases of:**
    - i. 0% in year 1,**
    - ii. 0% in year 2, although a 2% productivity increase allocation to wage rates in recognition of efficiency gains flowing from the Regularization of Hours project, would apply, and**
    - iii. 4% in year 3;**
  - c. renewal of the current application in respect of Article 16 of the Collective Agreement (Responsibility Allowance, Temporary Assignment and In Charge (and related Letters of Understanding)) (collectively, the Recommendations);**
- C. if the Recommendations are adopted, the Collective Agreement would conform to the principles endorsed by the Board of AHS at its meeting held on February 18, 2010; and**
- D. the Recommendations are consistent with AHS' financial sustainability principles;**

**Accordingly, the Board of AHS authorized the President and Chief Executive Officer of AHS, or his delegate, to sign and enter into a new Collective Agreement with the UNA on the terms negotiated and agreed to by AHS and UNA and on terms that take into account the Recommendations, in the name and on behalf of AHS and to take all such other actions as management of AHS considers necessary or advisable in order to give full effect to the foregoing.**

#### **15. Alberta Health Services (AHS) Fourth Quarter Strategic Direction Performance Report**

The Alberta Health Services Board is required to approve the quarterly performance reports which describe progress undertaken by AHS to fulfill the Alberta Health Services Strategic Direction 2009 – 2012 goals from each quarter. The Board considered the Fourth Quarter Performance Report which includes progress made from January 1, 2010 to March 31, 2010.

**The Alberta Health Services Board approved the Alberta Health Services 2009/2010 Fourth Quarter Strategic Direction Performance Report and that the Performance Report be submitted to Alberta Health and Wellness.**

#### **OTHER BOARD ACTIVITIES IN THE CALGARY AREA**

In addition to the public meeting, the Board met as a Committee of the Whole at the Rockyview General Hospital in Calgary and toured the Hospital.

The next public Board meeting is scheduled to be held in Medicine Hat on August 26, 2010. Please check the Alberta Health Services website for further information.