

SUMMARY OF THE PUBLIC BOARD MEETING – September 13, 2012

The Alberta Health Services (“AHS”) Board met on September 13, 2012 at Queen Elizabeth II Hospital in Grande Prairie. The following is an account of the resolutions approved at the meeting. A Summary is released following each Board meeting and posted on the AHS website. The meeting can also be viewed in its entirety from a link at www.albertahealthservices.ca. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the Board Office at ahsb.admin@albertahealthservices.ca.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

1. [QS12-46] AHS Performance Report, Q1 2012/13
2. [QS12-38] AHS Quality Assurance Committee Structure and Terms of Reference
3. [AFC12-134] First Quarter Financial Report 2012/13
4. [AFC12-141] First Quarter Investment Report 2012/13
5. [AFC12-145] Sale of Surplus of Lands – Banff, AB
6. [AFC12-146] Sale of Grandview Nursing Home to Westwind School Division
7. [HAC12-14] Philanthropic and Honorific Naming and Recognition Policy (Amended)
8. [HAC12-24-01] Edmonton Clinic South Naming Approval
9. [HAC12-33] Appointment of Trustees to Health Foundations
10. [HR12-40] Alberta Union of Provincial Employees (Auxiliary Nursing) Collective Agreement

1. [QS12-46] AHS Performance Report, Q1 2012/13

The AHS First Quarter Performance Report for 2012/2013 highlights that many performance measures are demonstrating improvement year after year, with some measures showing significant improvement. The Highlights of the report this quarter included a reduction in the wait times for continuing care, emergency departments, hip and knee replacements, radiation therapy and cataract surgeries. The report also indicates that in quarter one, AHS hired 943 Registered Nurses, a 10 per cent increase in recruitment over the first quarter of last year.

In areas where AHS is not yet reaching target, actions for improvement are underway, such as new and improved referral programs, and additional surgeries. More than 50 performance measures are tracked and more are added as needed.

Overall, the Board was satisfied with the performance and progress as described in the report.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services (“AHS”):

- (a) approved the “Alberta Health Services First Quarter Performance Report 2012/2013” in the form reviewed by the Committee of the Whole, with such non-substantive changes that management of AHS considers necessary or advisable; and
- (b) authorized and directed management of AHS to deliver this report to the Minister of Health, and thereafter to make this report available to the public through the AHS website.

➤ [Link to AHS Performance Report, Q1 2012/13](#)

2. [QS12-38] AHS Quality Assurance Committee Structure and Terms of Reference

A report was provided on the AHS Quality Assurance Committee Structure advising that two new Quality Assurance Committees were submitted for approval, in order to better align with the Zone-based organizational structure. These include a Calgary Zone Surgical Services Quality Assurance Committee and Corrections Health Services Quality Assurance Committee. In addition, name and membership changes were put forth for some existing committees to better reflect scope and structure.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services (“AHS”):

- (a) approved the proposed Quality Assurance Committee (“QAC”) structure, in the form reviewed by the Committee of the Whole, with such non-substantive changes that management of AHS considers necessary or advisable;**
- (b) appointed the following new QACs, with the intent that all committees’ activities are protected by Section 9 of the *Alberta Evidence Act*:**
 - a. Calgary Zone, Surgical Services QAC**
 - b. Corrections Health Services QAC;**
- (c) approved the name and membership changes to the following QACs, as reviewed by the Committee:**
 - a. Continuing Care QAC (formerly Seniors Health)**
 - b. North Zone Rural QAC (formerly North Zone)**
 - c. Primary Care, Chronic Disease Management, Public Health QAC (formerly Public Health, CDM & Public Health);**
- (d) approved the membership changes, as reviewed by the Committee, to the following QACs:**
 - a. Alberta Health Services QAC**
 - b. Edmonton Zone Complex Review QAC**
 - c. Royal Alexander Hospital QAC**
 - d. Cross Cancer Institute QAC**
 - e. South Zone Complex Review QAC**
 - f. Emergency Medical Services QAC; and**
- (e) approved the standing down of the following QACs:**
 - a. Pharmacy Services QAC**
 - b. South Zone QAC**
 - c. Medicine Hat Regional Hospital QAC**
 - d. Chinook Regional Hospital QAC.**

3. [AFC12-134] First Quarter Financial Report 2012/13

The first quarter financial statements were the first statements published under the new Public Sector Accounting Standards, which took effect April 1, 2012.

The first quarter total revenues were at \$3.045 billion and total expenses were \$3.039 billion, resulting in an operating surplus of \$6 million. The first quarter results indicated an accumulated surplus of \$5 million. Funding continues to be directed towards high priority areas that align with the 5-Year Health Action Plan, including growth in continuing care, strategies to address wait times for priority surgical procedures, Strategic Clinical Networks and initiatives to address recommendations from the Health Quality Council of Alberta, among others.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services (“AHS”):

- (a) ratified and approved the Quarterly Financial Report to Alberta Health for the quarter ended June 30, 2012 (the “Q1 Financial Report”) in the form reviewed by the Committee of the Whole, with such non-substantive changes that management of AHS considers necessary or advisable;**
- (b) authorized and directed management of AHS to deliver the Q1 Financial Report to Alberta Health;**
- (c) approved the Quarterly Financial Statements for the quarter ended June 30, 2012 (the “Q1 Financial Statements”) in the form reviewed by the Committee of the Whole, with such non-substantive changes that management of AHS considers necessary or advisable; and**
- (d) authorized and directed management of AHS to make the Q1 Financial Statements available to the public through the AHS website.**

➤ [Link to First Quarter Financial Report 2012/13](#)

4. [AFC12-141] First Quarter Investment Report 2012/13

The First Quarter Investment Report 2012/13 was prepared by Phillips, Hager & North Investment Management Ltd. and Standard Life Canada. The First Quarter Investment Report 2012/13 detailed all investment transactions for AHS for the period of April 1 to June 30, 2012.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services (“AHS”) ratified the investment transactions described below, as reviewed by the Committee of the Whole, made on behalf of AHS by PH&N Investment Management Ltd. (“PH&N”) and Standard Life Canada (“Standard Life”) as follows:

- (a) as at June 30, 2012, AHS held restricted and unrestricted funds managed by PH&N and Standard Life totaling \$1.262 billion (the “Funds”);**
- (b) the Funds were invested in short term treasury bills, federal, provincial and corporate fixed income bonds, pooled mortgage funds, bond funds and equity funds;**
- (c) all of the Funds invested during the quarter ended June 30, 2012, were invested in accordance with the Investment Bylaw and Investment Policy.**

5. [AFC12-145] Sale of Surplus of Lands – Banff, AB

AHS has agreed to sell three vacant lots on Banff Avenue, due to the small size of the lots and development constraints within the town centre.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services (“AHS”):

- (a) approved, in the form reviewed by the Committee of the Whole, the sale by AHS of its leasehold interest in three residential lots located at 344, 346 & 348 Banff Avenue, Banff, Alberta, and legally described as “Plan 6719BC, Block 14, Lots 10-12”, for not less than \$1,746,000 (the “Banff Land Sale”), subject to approval from the Minister of Health; and**
- (b) authorized and directed management of AHS to request that the Minister of Health approve the Banff Land Sale.**

6. [AFC12-146] Sale of Grandview Nursing Home to Westwind School Division

The Grandview Nursing Home in Cardston, Alberta served for many years as a long-term care facility, and, after being decommissioned, has remained vacant. The Westwind School Division is interested in repurposing the property, and therefore AHS is proposing a sale based on a current value of \$90,000.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services (“AHS”):

- (a) approved, in the form reviewed by the Committee of the Whole, the sale of Grandview Nursing Home, 980 Main Street, Cardston, Alberta, and legally described as “Plan 8159JK, Block 16, Lot 2-3”, from AHS to the Westwind School Division for consideration of \$90,000, subject to approval from the Minister of Health; and**
- (b) authorized and directed management of Alberta Health Services to request that the Minister of Health approve the land sale.**

7. [HAC12-14] Philanthropic and Honorific Naming and Recognition Policy (Amended)

AHS has developed the Philanthropic and Honorific Naming and Recognition Policy in order to set a consistent process for governing the recognition of contributions to AHS entities by its 64 partner foundations and health trusts. These partners provide critical financial support and advocacy that helps transform health service delivery in Alberta. The policy provides a consistent and equitable process while ensuring all partner foundations and health trusts have the opportunity to solicit funding with naming and recognition benefits attached. This is an AHS policy and does not replace the donor recognition policies or grids that foundations may have in place, except as it specifically applies to the naming of AHS buildings, structures, spaces, departments, divisions, programs, research chairs, institutes and centres.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services (“AHS”):

- (a) approved the revisions to the Philanthropic and Honorific Naming and Recognition Policy (the “Policy”) in the form reviewed by the Committee of the Whole, with such non-substantive changes that management of AHS considers necessary or advisable; and**
- (b) authorized and directed management of AHS to develop appropriate procedures to support the Policy, and to take all such other action as management considers necessary or advisable in order to give full effect to the foregoing.**

8. [HAC12-24-01] Edmonton Clinic South Naming Approval

AHS was pleased that a donor has come forward with a significant financial contribution towards the Edmonton Clinic South. As a result of this donation, the Board put forward an approval to rename this facility in accordance with the wishes of the donor. Appropriate and public recognition of this gift, including details of the donation, donor and naming, will be shared publicly at a later time. AHS relies on the generous contributions of community partners and philanthropists to support the advancement of health care in the province.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services (“AHS”):

- (a) approved changing the name of the Edmonton Clinic South in recognition of a philanthropic gift provided to AHS, for AHS Edmonton Zone, through the University Hospital Foundation, on the terms and conditions reviewed by the Committee of the Whole;**
- (b) authorized and directed management to request that the Minister of Health approve such name change; and**
- (c) subject to the Minister of Health approving such name change, authorized and directed management to take all necessary actions to give effect to this resolution, including any necessary public announcements.**

9. [HAC12-33] Appointment of Trustees to Health Foundations

Appointments are made to foundations and health trusts that fall under the *Regional Health Authorities Act* based on recommendations made to the AHS Board.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services (“AHS”) appointed or re-appointed, as applicable, the following individuals as trustees to the foundation indicated for the term as set forth in the table below, effective September 13, 2012:

Foundation	Name	Term (Years)
Alberta Cancer Foundation	Leslie Beard	2
Alberta Cancer Foundation	Angela Boehm	1
Alberta Cancer Foundation	Steven Dyck	1
Alberta Cancer Foundation	Brent Saick	1
Alberta Cancer Foundation	Heather Watt	1
Alberta Cancer Foundation	Vern Yu	2
Brooks & District Health Foundation	Steve Muggridge	3
Calgary Health Trust	Barry Davy	3
Calgary Health Trust	Phillip Hughes	3
Calgary Health Trust	Sarah Kennedy	3
Calgary Health Trust	Lyle Michaluk	3
Calgary Health Trust	William Osler	3
Crowsnest Pass Health Foundation	Fran Amundsen	2
Crowsnest Pass Health Foundation	Dustin Bedward	2
Crowsnest Pass Health Foundation	Elizabeth Cook	3 (non-voting)
Crowsnest Pass Health Foundation	Joanne Liddell	3
Crowsnest Pass Health Foundation	Larry Ruzek	3
Crowsnest Pass Health Foundation	Oliver Strickland	3

Foundation	Name	Term (Years)
Fort Mcleod & District Health Foundation	Corrine Conner	3
Fort Mcleod & District Health Foundation	Merline Heal	3
Fort Mcleod & District Health Foundation	Brian Vandervalk	3
Fort Saskatchewan Community Hospital Foundation	David Dubauskas	3
Fort Saskatchewan Community Hospital Foundation	Steven H. Hull	3
Fort Saskatchewan Community Hospital Foundation	Kenneth Jackson	3
Jasper Healthcare Foundation	Annette Brown	3
Jasper Healthcare Foundation	Sean FitzGerald	3
Jasper Healthcare Foundation	Mary Fullerton	3
Jasper Healthcare Foundation	Connie Tiesenhausen	3
Mental Health Foundation	Charlene Butler	3
Mental Health Foundation	Louise Charach	2
Mental Health Foundation	Dennis Cleaver	3
Mental Health Foundation	Kerry Day	3
Mental Health Foundation	Krishna Gupta	3
Mental Health Foundation	Ben Horccica	3
Mental Health Foundation	Norm Johnson	2
Mental Health Foundation	Lindsay Kelly	3
Mental Health Foundation	Brigitte McDonough	3
Mental Health Foundation	Dianne Young	3
Peace River & District Health Foundation	North Darling	3

10. [HR12-40] Alberta Union of Provincial Employees (Auxiliary Nursing) Collective Agreement

AHS believes that all staff make important contributions to the health and wellness of Albertans. The Board ratified the collective agreement with AUPE Auxiliary Nursing, as AHS believes it has reached an agreement that works for union members, the organization and, most important, for patient care.

AHS' respective goal is excellent care for Alberta's patients, and ratification represents AHS' ongoing effort to work collaboratively to achieve exceptional patient care.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Alberta Health Services ("AHS"):

- (a) approved the renewal of the Collective Agreement between the Alberta Union of Provincial Employees (Auxiliary Nursing) and AHS (the "Collective Agreement"), for the three year term commencing April 1, 2012 and ending on March 31, 2015, on substantially the terms and conditions reviewed by the Committee the Whole; and**
- (b) authorized the President and Chief Executive Officer of AHS, or his delegate, to execute the Collective Agreement on behalf of AHS.**

Over the two days the Board met at the Grande Prairie Provincial Building, they had a discussion with Dr. Anthony Fields, Chair of the Provincial Health Advisory Council on Cancer Care, with respect to work being done by this Council, and were given a tour of the Queen Elizabeth II Hospital, Cancer Care and the Pharmacy.