

**LAKE OF THE WOODS DISTRICT HOSPITAL**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
Thursday, April 15, 2004, 12:04 noon Hospital Boardroom

**PRESENT:** M. Balcaen, B. Fairfield, H. Hulsbosch, H. Kasprick, M. Lundin, S. Moore, F. Penner (Chair), J. Reid, P. Sarsfield, D. Schwartz, L. Brown, M. Mymryk

**REGRETS:** A. Cameron, J. Kowbel, R. Lamb, K. MacDonald, S. Proudlove, L.A. Brown

**ABSENT:** J. McDonald

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>A. AGENDA</b>	<b>Moved</b> by M. Lundin and <b>seconded</b> by J. Reid that the agenda be accepted with the addition of D.5 - Federation.	Motion #04/4/1 carried
<b>B. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b>	<b>Moved</b> by M. Lundin and <b>seconded</b> by J. Reid that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on March 4, 2004 be accepted as circulated.	Motion #04/4/2 Carried
<b>C. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES</b>	There was no business arising out of the minutes.	Information
<b>D. NEW BUSINESS</b>		
<b>D.1 Committee Reports</b>	J. Reid reviewed the minutes of the meeting of March 11, 2004.	Information
<b>Patient Care</b>	Due to the time sensitivity of the issue, the following motion was presented as a recommendation from the April 8, 2004 meeting of the Patient Care Committee.  <b>Moved</b> by S. Moore and <b>seconded</b> by M. Balcaen that the Board of Directors approve the participation of this hospital in the research study "Outcomes of Persons with Blastomycosis with Respiratory Failure".	Motion #04/4/3 carried
<b>Resource Planning &amp; Utilization</b>	Minutes of the meeting of March 24, 2004 were reviewed by H. Kasprick.  <b>Moved</b> by F. Penner and <b>seconded</b> by P. Sarsfield that the Board of Directors approve this hospital's participation in ONA Central Bargaining of the collective agreement through the OHA as recommended by the Resource Planning & Utilization Committee.  M. Balcaen informed members that a negative response to our request for additional capital funding for 2003/04 has been received from the Ministry of Health.  L. Brown noted that as a result of her correspondence to the Minister of Health regarding funding allocation of the \$50 million promised for full time nursing positions, the issue has been raised in the House by Health Critic Elizabeth Witmer.	Motion #04/4/4 carried
<b>Governance</b>	Minutes of the meeting held on March 25, 2004 were reviewed by F. Penner.	
	<b>Moved</b> by J. Reid and <b>seconded</b> by M. Lundin that the Board of Directors accept the reports of the following committees as presented: Patient Care, Resource Planning & Utilization, and Governance.	Motion #04/4/5 Carried
<b>D.2 Ordering of X-rays</b>	M. Balcaen reported that a letter on behalf of the Board of Directors	Information

<b>by Chiropractors</b>	has been sent to the Minister of Health expressing concerns regarding chiropractors ineligibility to order x-rays from hospitals and a request to investigate options for change. There has been no response to date. This letter was copied to local chiropractors and the College of Chiropractors of Ontario. After a brief discussion it was agreed that this letter would be submitted to the local newspaper for publication. A number of emails and letters of concern have been received from individuals to which Mr. Balcaen has responded.	M. Balcaen
<b>D.3 Funding of Full Time Nursing Positions</b>	Board members were informed that a lettering writing campaign to Minister Smitherman has been initiated regarding his campaign promise to provide \$50 million in funding for full-time nursing positions. This number has been decreased to \$25 million with \$25 million going toward addressing safety issues within specific hospitals. As a result of the letter written by L. Brown, the Nursing Secretariat, Sue Matthews will visit Kenora during Nurses' Week in May to consult with front line nurses.	Information
<b>D.4 Governance Session</b>	The next Governance session with Jannice Moore will take place on Tuesday, April 20, 2004 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the Hospital Boardroom. The main focus of this session will be amendments to current policies and the development of ends. Follow up sessions will take place on June 28 and 29, 2004. The first day will centre on Board discussion of committee structure and ownership/linkages and the second day will be geared toward senior management and their role in this new governance model. J. Moore's book entitled "Governance for Health System Trustees" is available in Administration for anyone interested in reading it.	Information
<b>D.5 Mental Health &amp; Addictions Federation</b>	A Federation established to advocate on behalf Ontario addiction and mental health programs for increased base funding is launching an awareness campaign where individuals are being asked to write letters to the Ministers of Health and Finance requesting these funding increases. Sample letters will be made available to Board members for completion and submission if they so choose. Mental health clients, staff and advisory committee members will also be asked to support this campaign.	Information
<b>E. AJOURNMENT</b>	<b>Moved</b> by S. Moore and <b>seconded</b> by H. Hulsbosch that the meeting be adjourned at 12:37 p.m.	Motion #04/4/6 carried

Chair  
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Executive Director