

**REACH Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes  
Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 2021  
Location: Video Conference**

**Present:** Colleen Fuller, Jane Turner, Kylie Ellis, Una Walsh, Alice Munro, Bill Hood, Cyndia Cole, Daniel Cook  
Diana Guenther, Emma Macklem, Janette McIntosh, Marian Dodds, Piotr Majkowski

**Staff:** Nicole LeMire (ED), Maho Okada, Pamela Toor (Program Development)

**Staff Representatives:** Amanda Abrams (Administration), Andrew Ho (Dental), Daisy Kler (MFC),  
Kateryna Kozynets (UPCC), Mahmood Aziz (Pharmacy), Wendy Redhead (Medical)

**Call to order: 5:30 pm**

- Check-in with meeting attendees.

**Business meeting starts: 6:00 pm**

**1. Preliminaries**

Acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on unceded Coast Salish Territory.

**MOTION:** That the agenda be approved.

**M/S/C**

**MOTION:** That the minutes from February 10<sup>th</sup> 2020 be approved with an amendment.

**M/S/C**

**2. Business Arising**

In Plain Sight <https://engage.gov.bc.ca/app/uploads/sites/613/2020/11/In-Plain-Sight-Full-Report.pdf>

Small group discussion of page 36-54 in the report took place and each person had an opportunity to share one sentence that is meaningful to you and explain why.

**3. Executive Director's Report – Written report**

Nicole presented a service delivery model (Health Equity and Engagement) that broadens the MFC department. The model addresses health equity and engages REACH patients and the community. It is based on the work done this past year and considers social determinants of health to respond to needs and additional elements to address health equity and better engage REACH patients. Many of services that are identified will continue this coming fiscal year, but financing is needed for Indigenous and Public Health programs.

Possibility of developing social enterprise was discussed. Some of the ideas include but not limited to are new partnerships with labs in the public sector, physio and occupational therapy.

There is a plan to build a CHC in Hastings Sunrise neighborhood which overlaps with REACH's current catchment area. The project manager is planning to have a meeting with community partners including REACH. This topic will be discussed among Executive, Outreach committee and appropriate staff, then it will be reported back to the board next month.

In the past month, REACH staff who are on VCH contract have been vaccinated. As of March 10<sup>th</sup>, VCH announced all staff at REACH are eligible. Two pop-up vaccine clinics are planned at Britannia site, REACH will provide vaccinators.

**4. Committee Reports**

a. Executive (Colleen Fuller)- Written report

The board needs to review its plan to obtain global funding for REACH and work with community partners as appropriate to achieve this.

- b. Human Resources (Una Walsh) – Written report
- c. Finance (Kylie Ellis) – Written report, 2020-2021 Budget Draft & Budget Highlights

**MOTION:** That board policy 4.1 point 2 remove the word monthly and replace with regular or upon request by the finance committee. **M/S/C**

**MOTION:** That the board accepts 2021/2022 budget as shown on the screen and presented in the board package. **M/S/C**

**MOTION:** That the budget be amended by taking Public Health & Indigenous columns out. **M/S/Withdrawn**

Discussion was centered around the sustainability of Indigenous and Public Health programs. Long term funding is required to run the programs.

**MOTION:** The board and the ED develop strategy for the core funding for Health Equity and Engagement program. **M/S/C**

- d. Outreach (Bill Hood)- Written report

**MOTION:** That the Outreach committee is empowered to make decisions to change the membership application form. **M/S/C**

- e. PPEC (Marian Dodds)- Verbal report

Marian will send a committee report from the last meeting. A future discussion topic will include examining a nearby rental space in order to accommodate expansion of programming and enhance work environment for staff.

- f. Fundraising (Jane Turner) – Written report

If there is a good idea for fundraising to reduce the mortgage, please forward to the committee.

- g. Nominating (Emma Macklem)– Verbal report

An open house invitation email was circulated and it will be re-circulated with a sign-up hyper link for the next meeting.

**MOTION:** That the board accepts the committee reports. **M/S/C**

- 5. **BC Association of Community Health Centre (BCACHC)** (Piotr Majkowski) - Written report

A CHC meeting among members in lower mainland is planned and an invitation will be sent. REACH board expressed an interest of discussing catchment areas.

## 6. Announcements

Recent online racism comments towards one of REACH’s physicians are disturbing and unacceptable. President and ED sent a letter to the Editor of Georgia Straight and commented on social media. As the board, we strongly advocate representation and statement of anti-racism in any form.

**MOTION:** That the REACH board deplores the recent racist attacks against and extends its unwavering support of our staff. **M/S/C**

- 7. **Public session adjourned at 8:34pm**

- 8. **In-camera session**