

**REACH Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes  
Wednesday, May 10, 2023  
Location: In-person at REACH**

**Present:** Barbara Wood, Janell Cosco, Emma Macklem, Cyndia Cole, Jean Kavanagh, Usman Mushtaq, Daniel Cook

**Staff:** Nicole LeMire (Executive Director)

**Staff Representatives:** Afshin Jaber (Pharmacy), Brenda Sang (Dental), Flavia Silveira (HEED), Caroline Reilly (UPCC)

**Others:** Nicole Burgess, Tope Dadou, Stephanie Gillingham, Katie Gray

**Regrets:** Kimberley Laing, Colleen Fuller, Wendy Redhead (Medical)

**Business meeting started at 6:01 pm**

**1. Preliminaries**

Land acknowledgement was made by Barbara Wood.  
Introduced Open House concept to community members in attendance. A round of introductions from everyone.

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

**M/S/C**

**MOTION:** That the minutes from March 8, 2023 be adopted.

**M/S/C**

**2. Business Arising**

**3. Executive Director's Report (Nicole LeMire)**

The ED provided a comprehensive monthly report via PowerPoint. The following items were discussed:

- An introduction to REACH and the Board's Strategic Priorities was provided for Open House attendees.
- Funding for Health Equity and Community Engagement program was secured by the Ministry of Health and BC Association of Community Health Centre.
- BC Dental Association is doing a session on culturally safe care and chose REACH as an example site.

**4. Committee reports**

a. Executive Committee (Barbara Wood) - *Written report*

A letter was sent to Premier Eby in early April regarding Budget 2022/23 and its lack of funding for community health centres. The Executive also provided an update on the 'Alumni of REACH' Facebook page under development. The Executive has proposed a discussion about global funding at our next educational session (June 2023).

**MOTION:** That the June educational session be dedicated to a discussion on global funding and Board advocacy on this issue.

**M/S/C**

b. Human Resources (Cyndia Cole) – *Written report*

An update was shared on the Joint Staff-Board committee on pension plans.

c. Finance (Janell Cosco) – *no report*

d. Outreach (Daniel Cook; Kimberly Laing) – *Written report*

The Outreach committee did not meet this month. The Committee is planning for upcoming public forums. Health for the Trans Community will be the focus for the next forum.

*e. PPEC (Colleen Fuller) – Written report*

The Committee is suggesting that the Outreach Committee and the PPEC work together on showing community support for global funding. It is recommended that discussions about global funding/associated Board advocacy be held until the June session which will be dedicated to this discussion.

*f. JEDI (Daniel Cook; Emma Macklem) – Written report*

The JEDI Committee is pleased with turn-out of the Open House meeting, as this has been in the works for a long time. The Committee will be compiling a series of questions for Board members to answer on camera as part of its upcoming recruitment campaign.

**MOTION:** That the Board accept committee reports.

**M/S/C**

- 5. BC Association of Community Health Centres Report (BCACHC) (Barbara Wood) – Written report**
- 6. Announcements**
- 7. Public session adjourned at 7:37 pm**
- 8. In-camera session**