



# board of directors

Meeting:	WCH Board of Directors Meeting			
Date:	Wednesday, June 7, 2023			
Location:	Boardroom 6209 / Videoconference (V)			
Chairperson:	JoAnne Doyle			
Secretary:	Paula Da Ponte			
	Paula Allen	Kathy Cunningham	Maya Roy (V)	Donna Walwyn
In Attendance:	Bonnie Bloomberg (V)	Rupinder Dhillon (V)	Lisa Robinson (V)	Heather McPherson
	John Capobianco (V)	Michael Foulkes (V)	Debbie Simpson (V)	Kyle Kirkham (V)
	Aida Cipolla (V)	Arleen Huggins	Leslie Woo (V)	Jennifer Price
	David Court	Susan Monteith	Hilary Goldenberg	Tuhina Biswas (V)
Regrets:	Chinyere Eni-McLean	Talia Zenlea		
Guests:	Jack Woodman, Vice President, Strategy, Quality, Risk and Privacy			
	Cindy Maxwell, Vice President Medical Affairs and System Transformation and Lead Medical Executive			

#### 1.0 Welcome and Call to Order

The meeting was call to order at 1701 hours. J. Doyle welcomed H. Goldenberg, Co-President of the Association of Volunteers.

#### 2.0 Land Acknowledgement

D. Walwyn began the meeting with a Land Acknowledgement.

#### 3.0 Conflict of Interest Declaration

There were no conflicts declared.

#### 4.0 Patient Experience Story

H. McPherson shared a patient experience in the Atrial Fibrillation Clinic. The patient shared their appreciation for the detailed information and communication provided regarding diagnostic tests.

#### 5.0 Generative Discussion – Sex and Gender in Health Strategy

J. Woodman and C. Maxwell provided an overview of a new, priority strategy that will shape the next era of Sex, Gender and Reproductive Health (SGRH). Members were informed that planning is in early development. The proposed Centre for Sex and Gender in Health would provide a safe and gender-inclusive care environment focused on:

- 1. Integrated, inclusive, accessible, compassionate care models, services, provider and patient knowledge and services.
- 2. Research, education and innovation to advance SGRH towards the future women and gender diverse people expect.
- 3. Community partnerships, outreach, advocacy, policy, and public education to advance the next era of SGRH.

Members discussed opportunities to elevate this work as a fundraising priority and Foundation focus. Members discussed that considerations for youth populations would be relevant as relates to sex and gender in health. This would include WCH primary care services, youth to adult transitions in care and exploring partnerships with other pediatric organizations such as Sick Kids.

#### 6.0 Consent Agenda

The consent agenda included the Board agenda, board minutes from May 3, 2023, Appointment of Auditors, Compliance reporting and Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) 2022-2023.

D. Court moved and A. Huggins seconded

**THAT** items presented for approval in the consent agenda be approved.

CARRIED

#### 7.0 New Director Nominee

D. Walwyn reported that the Governance and Nominating Committee continues to work with Boyden Executive Search to assist in recruiting new Board members for the 2022-2023 Board year. The committee is recommending one Director and will continue interviews to fulfill the three vacant positions for 2023-2024 board year.

D. Walwyn moved and S. Monteith seconded

**THAT** as recommended by the Governance and Nominating Committee, the Board of Directors approve the appointment of Jaspreet Hansra-Kulasingham

#### CARRIED

#### 8.0 Board Leadership Roles

A. Huggins moved and D. Court seconded **THAT** as recommended by the Governance and Nominating Committee, the Board approve Donna Walwyn as Chair, Board of Directors, as of June 21, 2023.

D. Walwyn abstained.

#### CARRIED

D. Walwyn moved and K. Cunningham seconded

**THAT** as recommended by the Governance and Nominating Committee, the Board approve Rupinder Dhillon as Vice Chair, Board of Directors, as of June 21, 2023.

R. Dhillon abstained.

#### CARRIED

D. Walwyn moved and A. Huggins seconded

**THAT** as recommended by the Governance and Nominating Committee, the Board approve Rupinder Dhillon as Treasurer and Chair of Resources Committee as of June 21, 2023.

R. Dhillon abstained.

#### CARRIED

D. Walwyn moved and S. Monteith seconded **THAT** as recommended by the Governance and Nominating Committee, the Board approve Heather McPherson as Secretary as of June 21, 2023.

#### CARRIED

D. Walwyn moved and D. Court seconded

**THAT** as recommended by the Governance and Nominating Committee, the Board approve John Capobianco as Chair, Governance and Nominating Committee as of June 21, 2023.

J. Capobianco abstained.

#### CARRIED

D. Walwyn moved and S. Monteith seconded **THAT** as recommended by the Governance and Nominating Committee, the Board approve Paula Allen as Chair, Quality, Academic and Equity Committee as of June 21, 2023.

P. Allen abstained.

#### CARRIED

#### 9.0 Audited Financial Statements

S. Monteith informed members that the Resources Committee met on May 16, 2023 and reviewed the financial statements. Members were informed that this was our first year being audited by Deloitte and WCH ended the year with no deficit.

The Audited Financial Statements and Auditor's report were received.

S. Monteith moved and D. Walwyn seconded

**THAT** on the recommendation of the Resources Committee, the Board approve the audited financial statements for the year end March 31, 2023, as presented.

#### CARRIED

ACTION: Forward to the WCH Annual General Meeting

#### 10.0 Chair's Report

J. Doyle provided the following update:

- Members were informed that the Executive Committee met in April and May and both sets of minutes were included in the material.
- The Demographic Matrix survey will be distributed to members over the summer. A new approach will be implemented this year in that members who completed the survey last year will be asked to confirm if they have any changes and new members will be asked to complete in full.
- On May 11, 2023, Professor Meric Gertler, President and Janet Ecker, Chair of the Governing Council hosted a dinner with Board Chairs and CEOs of the teaching hospitals with primary affiliations with the University.
- The Annual General meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2023 at 3:30pm.

#### Women's College Hospital Board of Directors

• Congratulations to Heather McPherson who has been appointed incoming Chair of Toronto Academic Health Science Network (TAHSN) for a two-year term beginning in September. This is the first time the President & CEO of WCH has been named to this system leadership role.

# 11.0 CEO Report

H. McPherson's report was included in the material. She additionally reported on the following:

- Awards pertaining to Bill 124 reopener at 3.75% will add pressure to the budget. A contingency plan is being prepared for the potential scenario that the government doesn't provide funding.
- On June 2, 2023, Deputy Mayor of Toronto, Jennifer McKelvie, held a Mental Health Roundtable on which H. McPherson participated. Deputy Mayor J. McKelvie will be participating on June 8, 2023, the Shoppers Drug Mart Run for Women that supports WCH Mental Health.
- WCH is evaluating the internal air quality due to poor air quality across the city as a result from the wildfires. Air handling units and filtrations are minimizing the smoke entering the building and will continue to be monitored.
- On June 21, 2023, a new Sacred Medicine Wheel Garden will open on the hospital's green roof. The garden will provide Indigenous community members and WCH staff, physicians, volunteers and learners access to traditional Indigenous medicine.

# 12.0 Medical Staff Appointments

#### **12.1 New Medical Staff Appointments**

The list of new medical staff privileges recommended at the Medical Advisory Committee meeting on June 6, 2023 was included in the material.

S. Monteith moved and D. Walwyn seconded

**THAT** on the recommendation of the Medical Advisory Committee, the Board of Directors approve the appointment of the applicants listed to the WCH Medical Staff effective June 8, 2023.

## CARRIED

The list of medical staff privileges recommended at the Medical Advisory Committee meeting on June 6, 2023 was included in the material.

D. Court moved and A. Huggins seconded

**THAT** on the recommendation of the Medical Advisory Committee, the Board of Directors approve the appointment of the applicants listed to the WCH Medical Staff effective July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

## CARRIED

D. Court moved and D. Walwyn seconded

**THAT** on the recommendation of the Medical Advisory Committee, the Board of Directors approve the medical leave of absence for the physician listed in the department of Medicine from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023.

## CARRIED

## **10.2 Medical Staff Reappointments**

The list of medical staff applying for 2023-2024 reappointment privileges recommended at the Medical Advisory Committee on June 6, 2023 was included in the material.

S. Monteith moved and K. Cunningham seconded

**THAT**, on the recommendation of the Medical Advisory Committee, the Board of Directors approve the list of applicant for reappointment and are hereby appointed to the WCH Medical Staff for the period of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.

## CARRIED

## **13.0 Foundation Report**

C. Cutler provided the following update on behalf of D. Simpson.

- The LCBO will launch a fundraising campaign to support equity focused care and academics at WCH. As part of the #ToasttoPride campaign from June 17 to June 30, stores across the province be fundraising to support WCH.
- The Foundation is prioritizing efforts to support the new Sex, Gender and Reproductive Health strategy.
- The recruitment of WCH Foundation President and CEO is in process, advertisement of the position was included in the Globe and Mail and posted on Longwoods.

# 14.0 Next Meeting

The Annual General Meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 3:30pm followed by the next Board of Directors meeting scheduled at 4:00pm.

## 15.0 Adjournment of Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 1813 hours.

## 16.0 In Camera

The meeting went into in camera at 1814 hours and adjourned at 1814 hours.

## 17.0 Open Board Reconvened

The open board meeting reconvened at 1814 hours.

## 18.0 Closure of Meeting

The meeting was closed at 1815 hours.