

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

Minutes of the Auckland District Health Board meeting  
held on Thursday, 3 May 2007, in the Marion Davis Library,  
Building 43, Auckland City Hospital, Grafton  
commencing at 1:30 pm

### 1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

#### Board Members

Wayne Brown (Chair)  
Harry Burkhardt  
Dr Virginia Hope

Ross Keenan  
Dr Chris Chambers  
Dr Di Nash

#### Management in Attendance

Garry Smith – Chief Executive  
Roger Jarrold – Chief Financial Officer  
Janice Mueller – Director Allied Health  
Vivian Rawlings – General Manager Human Resources Operations  
Ian Bell – Board Administrator

#### Apologies

The Chair declared the meeting open at 1:10pm.

Apologies had been received from Barry de Geest, Ian Scott, John Retimana, Denis Jury and David Sage.

The interest register was tabled and was available for members to update.

### 2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 5 APRIL 2007

Moved Ross Keenan, seconded Virginia Hope

*That the minutes of the Auckland District Health Board meeting held on 5 April 2007 be confirmed as a true and correct record.*

Carried

### 3. ACTION POINTS – 5 APRIL 2007

#### Disabled Persons Assembly Conference

The report on the conference had been received and would be included in the next month's papers.

### 4. CHAIRMAN

#### 4.1 Report

Wayne Brown reported to the Board on activities for the month:

- The District Annual Plan for 2006-2007 had been signed and the Minister had thanked ADHB for a good achievement.
- With ADHB coming off intensive monitoring the Board was arguing that they should be paid on the same basis as everyone else (subsequently confirmed by MoH).
- The ongoing strikes were creating difficulties.
- There had been publicity with the extension of the Diagnostic Medilab contract.
- He had supported Scott Macfarlane concerning Ronald McDonald House.
- March had been a great month financially and \$35m of equity had been repaid.
- There was a meeting with the Office of the Auditor General concerning review of conflicts of interest where he proposed to raise the question of sponsorships of doctors and the situation of Barry de Geest being a valuable asset on the Board due to his involvement in the disability sector.
- There was a meeting on 10 May 2007 of the Region looking at the way forward relating to community laboratory testing. This was being lead by Kay McKelvie.
- The ADHB and region were looking at a different approach to the pharmacy contract.

#### **4.2 Regional Report**

Ross Keenan advised that there had been no regional meeting but the CEOs had spent a half day stocktaking the regional work streams and these would be reported to the next regional meeting scheduled for June.

#### **4.3 District Annual Plan 2006/2007 Approval**

The Minister's letter of approval for the 2006/2007 District Annual Plan had been included in the papers and the Board noted his appreciation to the Board, management and staff for all the effort that had gone into producing the District Annual Plan and the efforts made to manage services within the funding available.

#### **8.3 District Annual Plan 2007/2008 and Statement of Intent**

Moved Harry Burkhardt, seconded Chris Chambers

*That the Board delegates final signoff of the District Annual Plan 2007/2008 and Statement of Intent to the Board Chair, Deputy Chair and Chief Executive.*

Carried

#### **10.2 Peacehaven Resthome Limited**

This had been considered by the Audit Committee and continued the strategy of increasing hospital beds in the community while reducing resthome beds.

Moved Harry Burkhardt, seconded Ross Keenan

*That the ADHB approves the variation to the contract with Peacehaven Resthome Ltd to add hospital beds and increased resthome beds for a total estimated value of variance of \$7,420,305.60.*

Carried

## **5. DISABILITY SUPPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

In the absence of the Chair of the Committee there was no report.

## **6. MAORI HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

In the absence of the Chair of the Committee there was no report.

## **7. QUALITY COMMITTEE**

The Chair of the Committee, Di Nash reported on the meeting held on 19 April 2007 where the Committee noted that close control was down 10% over the country, that there was an issue with a resthome on claiming for dead patients which was under investigation and the final period for enrolment of patients in PHOs to be completed by 30 June 2007 when only payment for enrolled patients would be enforced. A trends report was received from the Health and Disability Commissioner and there had been a letter concerning the Accident Compensation Corporation notifications of treatment injuries. Eating disorders was considered as a major risk with no in-patient beds with a need for this to be addressed through a national process. The Clinical Board was seeking quicker implementation of routine HIV testing in pregnancy which was supported by the Quality Committee. The question of Section 88 notices in primary care being superseded by the PHOs contracts was noted and the Committee had been updated on waiting times for clinics. There was a stakeholder and consumer focus of the Committee and a whole health system performance framework approach.

The Chair thanked Di Nash for alerting the Board to the anti-fraud framework which the Audit Committee had taken up recommending more regional investment. He also thanked Ian Scott for persisting in raising palliative care which demonstrated that individual board members can make positive contributions.

### **Service and Food Workers Union**

Peter Shannon and a number of members of the Service and Food Workers Union addressed the Board continuing to seek a national MECA and this to be extended to contractors. The union would be making a recommendation to members concerning the way forward which would be communicated at stop work meetings the following Thursday.

While the Board was sympathetic and acknowledged the information provided they did however note that MECA were a concern for ADHB.

## **8. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

### **8.1 Report**

Garry Smith acknowledged the excellent result for the month of March and noted the strike activity in April. Other points of significance were the community pharmacy contract, the signing of the 2006/2007 District Annual Plan and the development of the 2007/2008 District Annual Plan and Statement of Intent. He advised that International Nurses' Day would be held on 11 May 2007.

## **8.2 ADHB 2006/2007 Objectives – Quarter 3 Report**

The Chair noted that there had been good effort against the objectives and that this was a good management and governance tool. The Board noted the report and the good progress being made. Management were predicting to come within budget for the year and there was good progress on Health 2020. All reporting deadlines had been met for the District Annual Plan and the Operational Efficiency projects were making excellent progress.

A PHO Manager, Deidre Maxwell had been appointed to Planning and Funding to address PHOs strategically and how they supported ADHB's objectives and to manage the PHO contracts.

The CE advised that a New Zealand chapter of Health Roundtable was being commenced to assist in benchmarking and that the CTSU unit was under review with a report to be brought back to the Board.

Wayne Brown and Ross Keenan left the meeting and Harry Burkhardt assumed the Chair.

## **9. FINANCIAL REPORT – MARCH 2007**

The CFO advised that the April result was expected to be unfavourable compared with the very favourable result for March. Payment of 11/12 of the Tier II money was expected on 7 May 2006. The sale of the Claude Road property was ready to proceed. With the Domain carpark there was an existing resource consent under HSDP with a lower skyline design and consideration was being given to commencing construction under this resource which would avoid seeking a public notified consent and the associated hearings. This could then be approved by the Auckland City Council staff under delegated authorities.

Further productivity reports and benchmarking had been received which were overall quite favourable to ADHB. Negotiations were continuing with IRD concerning their assessing back taxes.

There was a national project through the SPINIA group concerning PET scanning in New Zealand which may have an impact on ADHB.

## **10. AUDIT COMMITTEE**

### **10.1 Report**

The Chair of the Committee, Harry Burkhardt advised that the main points from the previous day's meeting were the anti-fraud arrangements with a recommendation to seek regional support to have HealthPAC establish a branch in Auckland. There had also been some discussion on balance sheet provisions.

**11. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**University Relationship**

A strategic relationship was being developed with the University and was being extended from the Medical School to the Business School and the whole of the organisation. Strategic meetings were being initiated to be held every two months.

**12. NEXT MEETING**

The meeting closed at 2:20 pm.

The next scheduled meeting is scheduled for  
1:30pm, Thursday 7 June 2007  
Marion Davis Library  
Building 43  
Auckland City Hospital  
Grafton

**CONFIRMED**

**CHAIR:** .....

**DATE:** .....