

PUBLIC BOARD MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of the Alberta Health Services (“AHS”) Board (the “Board”) held in Rooms 1002 & 1003, Southport Tower, Calgary, and by Zoom conference on April 21, 2022.

Attendees:

Board Members: Mr. Gregory Turnbull, QC, Chair
Dr. Sayeh Zielke, Vice-Chair
Ms. Deborah Apps
Mr. Tony Dagnone, CM
Ms. Sherri Fountain, QC
Mr. Hartley Harris
Mr. Jack Mintz, CM
Ms. Heidi Overguard
Ms. Natalia Reiman
Mr. Brian Vaasjo
Ms. Vicki Yellow Old Woman

Management: Mauro Chies, Interim President & Chief Executive Officer
Ms. Colleen Purdy, Vice President, Corporate Services & Chief Financial Officer
Ms. Colleen Turner, Vice President, Community Engagement & Communications
Ms. Tina Giesbrecht, General Counsel
Ms. Catherine MacNeill, Corporate Secretary & Legal Counsel

Mr. Turnbull acted as Chair of the meeting and Ms. MacNeill acted as Recording Secretary.

Mr. Turnbull called the meeting to order at approximately 12:30 p.m. Notice of the meeting had been properly given and quorum was met.

❖ Welcome & Comments from the Chair

The following is an abstract of Mr. Gregory Turnbull’s, QC, Board Chair, remarks at the meeting. It is not an official transcript:

Good afternoon, everyone. I am Gregory Turnbull, Chair of the Alberta Health Services Board, and I would like to welcome you to this AHS special Public Board meeting. Thank you for taking the time to join us.

This is a special meeting of the Board to consider one motion.

To start, in the spirit of promoting reconciliation and gratitude, and in keeping with the calls to action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, on behalf of the Board, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge that the work of Alberta Health Services takes place on historical and contemporary Indigenous lands, including the territories of Treaties 6, 7 & 8 and the homeland of the Metis. I would also like to acknowledge the 46 First Nations communities within what we call Alberta, as well as the Metis and Inuit Peoples who form an important part of our healthcare system.

We are grateful to those who have come before us and mindful of those who will follow us as we steward and protect these lands.

Now, before we get to the business of the day, I'd like to thank Mauro Chies for taking on the role of Interim President and CEO of Alberta Health Services. As some of you may know, Mauro has been in the healthcare field for more than 30 years, starting his career as a laboratory technician in 1988. He has held many leadership positions over the years, most recently as Sole Director of Alberta Precision Laboratories, and Vice President of Cancer Care Alberta and Clinical Support Services with AHS. As a Board, we know AHS remains in steady and capable hands, and we thank Mauro for agreeing to lead the organization through this transitional period.

I'd also like to pass along my enduring gratitude to AHS staff, physicians and volunteers. We have an amazing workforce. More than two years into the pandemic, our people continue to respond to the demands of COVID-19 and support Albertans throughout the province with professionalism and compassion.

Beyond that, our workforce is making steady progress on many other priorities that are important to Albertans, including reducing surgical wait lists, improving EMS response times and expanding acute care and intensive care capacity. Many of our teams are also working hard in preparation for Launch 4 of Connect Care, which is scheduled for next month at sites in Edmonton, Calgary and some surrounding communities. This is crucial work. When fully implemented, this electronic clinical information system will enable greater innovation, integration, efficiency and safety throughout AHS.

So I'd like to thank everyone at AHS — those on the front lines and those supporting the front lines — for all your work on many fronts that will ultimately lead to improved healthcare outcomes and experiences for all Albertans.

❖ **Review of Agenda**

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda for the meeting of the Board held on April 21, 2022, which was provided to the Board in advance of the meeting.

❖ **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

Mr. Turnbull requested that any conflicts of interest relevant to the meeting or items noted on the agenda be declared. None were declared.

1. Appointment of Interim President and Chief Executive Officer

Hartley Harris advised that pursuant to the Alberta Health Services General Bylaws, the Alberta Health Services Board has an obligation to appoint an individual to serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the organization. Following the departure of Dr. Verna Yiu as President and Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services, the Board recommended that Mauro Chies be appointed as the Interim President and Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services. The appointment of an Interim President and Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services will be revisited by the Board at its meeting on June 1, 2022.

UPON MOTION duly moved, seconded and unanimously carried the Alberta Health Services Board:

- 1. Confirmed the end of Dr. Verna Yiu’s employment contract as President and Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services and the related settlement agreement effective April 4, 2022;**
- 2. Appointed Mauro Chies as the Interim President and Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services effective April 4, 2022;**
- 3. Approved the employment agreement made effective April 4, 2022 between Alberta Health Services and Mr. Chies in the form reviewed by the Alberta Health Services Board which sets out the terms and conditions applicable to Mr. Chies’ role as Interim President and Chief Executive Officer; and**
- 4. Authorized and directed management of Alberta Health Services to take all such other acts and things that they consider to be necessary or advisable in connection with the foregoing resolutions.**

❖ **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Signed by
Gregory Turnbull, QC
Chair

Signed by
Catherine MacNeill
Corporate Secretary & Legal Counsel