REACH Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, November 11th, 2020

Location: Video Conference

Present: Colleen Fuller, Jane Turner, Kylie Ellis Una Walsh, Bill Hood, Cyndia Cole, Daniel Cook,

Diana Guenther, Emma Macklem, Janette McIntosh, Marian Dodds, Piotr Majkowski

Staff: Nicole LeMire (ED)

Staff Representative: Kateryna Kozynets (UPCC)

Regrets: Alice Munro

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.

- That the agenda be approved.

M/S/C

- That the minutes from October 14th 2020 be approved.

M/S/C

2. Business Arising

The Board expressed its concern regarding the proposed composition of the Partnership Table on Primary Health Care.

M/S/Tabled

That the Board express its deep concern that the Partnership Table representation as currently outlined is inappropriate and disingenuous. Unless true community and CHC representation, including CHCs, is incorporated in the governing structure, that REACH not participate in the Partnership Table.

MOTION: That the Board refer this matter to the Executive Committee to work with REACH's representative to BCACHC to develop a more representative framework for the Partnership Table.

M/S/C

3. Executive Director's Report – Written report

The Executive Director gave her report and asked the Board for feedback on two issues:

- New restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic
 The new public health guidelines require that medical grade masks must be made available to and used by those coming into REACH.
- 2. Homeless people who are tested for COVID-19 Homeless symptomatic people, including those who drop in at the warming centre and those who reside in tents, come to the UPCC to get tested but then have nowhere to go while waiting for their results - positive or negative. Usually those who are symptomatic and get tested are required to isolate until the result is confirmed. Those people who have nowhere to go will go back to where they were (tent or warming centre or other shelters) and may put at risk many other people. They are also sick and forced to stay outside.

MOTION: That the Board advocate for our homeless community by sending a letter to the city and appropriate health agencies, including Dr. Bonnie Henry, outlining the urgency of providing space for the homeless who need to self-isolate while waiting for results from or having tested positive COVID-19 tests. **M/S/C**

The President of the Board will draft a letter with input from the ED regarding the need for housing for the homeless.

4. Committee Reports

- a. Executive (Colleen Fuller) Written report
 - 1. Board policy 3.5

MOTION: That Board policy 3.5 be amended to include staff reps from both the UPCC and Pharmacy departments and reworded to address outdated language.

M/S/C

2. Possible French services at a CHC/REACH

The Board agreed that the ED may continue to engage with the francophone community in an advisory capacity to regarding the development of French-language services at a CHC or at REACH.

3. Committees

The Executive approved the options chosen by Board members regarding which committee(s) they choose to be part of as follows:

Human Resources

Una Walsh Diana Guenther Bill Hood Emma Macklem

Outreach

Cyndia Cole Alice Munro Bill Hood Daniel Cook

Fundraising

Jane Turner Janette McIntosh Alice Munro Marian Dodds Emma Macklem

PPEC

Marian Dodds Janette McIntosh Piotr Majkowski

Nominating

Emma Macklem Daniel Cook Alice Munro

Finance

Kylie Ellis Cyndia Cole Daniel Cook

Executive

Colleen Fuller Una Walsh Jane Turner Kylie Ellis

This revised committee assignment list will be circulated.

There were no other Committee reports. Committee reports were received.

5. BC Association of Community Health Centre (BCACHC) (Piotr Majkowski)

Piotr reported on developments at the BCACHC and the Board was pleased to note that some CHCs will receive a grant of \$25,000 from the province.

- 6. No new business
- 7. No announcements
- 8. Public session adjourned at 8:28pm