



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

DATE: August 20, 2015

PLACE: North Peace Cultural Centre, Fort St. John, BC

PRESENT:

Directors

Chair Ackerman, City of Fort St. John
Director Bumstead, City of Dawson Creek
Director Goodings, Electoral Area 'B'
Director Hiebert, Electoral Area 'D'
Director McPherson, District of Tumbler Ridge
Director Nichols, District of Chetwynd
Director Plowright, Village of Pouce Coupe
Director Rose, Electoral Area 'E'
Director Sperling, Electoral Area 'C'
Director Stewart, City of Fort St. John

Alternate Directors

Alternate Director Heiberg, District of Hudson's Hope
Alternate Director Ponto, District of Taylor

Absent

Vice-Chair Fraser, District of Taylor
Director Johansson, District of Hudson's Hope

Staff

Chris Cvik, Chief Administrative Officer
Shannon Anderson, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Jo-Anne Frank, Corporate Officer
Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer
Bruce Simard, General Manager of Development Services
Fran Haughian, Communications Manager / Commission Liaison
Trish Morgan, General Manager of Community and Electoral Area Services
Brenda Deliman, Recording Secretary

Others

S. Thomas, Northeast News

Presenters:

Northern Health:

Dr. Ronald Chapman, VP Medicine
Dr. Becky Temple, Medical Director
Cathy Ulrich, CEO

North Peace Division of Family Practice:

Dr. Danette Dawkin
Terri Hopkins, MD (second year resident)
Scott McCoach, MD (second year resident)

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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CW/15/08/01

MOVED Director Nichols, SECONDED Director McPherson,
That the Peace River Regional District Board agenda for the August 20, 2015
Committee of the Whole meeting, including additional items for the agenda, be adopted
as amended:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

3. PRESENTATION:

3.1 Critical Components of Providing Health Services (*Presentation to be distributed at meeting*)

Northern Health:

Dr. Ronald Chapman, VP Medicine
Dr. Becky Temple, Medical Director
Cathy Ulrich, CEO

Handouts: Northern Health Presentation – Physician Recruitment & Retention; and
Rural Programs: Information Sheet for Medical Staff Leaders

North Peace Division of Family Practice:

Dr. Danette Dawkin
Terri Hopkins, MD (second year resident)
Scott McCoach, MD (second year resident)

Handouts: Request for continued funding of the North Peace Division of Family
Practice medical residents program; and
Letter of Support – Amber Grunow, MD (second year resident); and
Letter of Support – Terri Hopkins, MD (second year resident); and
Letter of Support – Scott McCoach, MD (second year resident); and
Letter of Support – Alison Leighton, MD (first year resident)

4. ADJOURNMENT:

PRESENTATION:

3.1

North Peace Division
of Family Practice:
Dr. Danette Dawkin,
Terri Hopkins, MD
(second year resident),
and Scott McCoach,
MD (second year
resident)

RECRUITMENT OF MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS FUND

A presentation was made on the successes of the North Peace Division of Family
Practice resident doctor program. The Peace River Regional District assisted this
program by providing a \$100,000 grant in 2014. A request was made for further
funding. Topics included:

- Rural rotations and electives
- Retention rate
- Recruitment strategies
- Housing stipend
- Creating awareness of rural areas
- Pay for residents

PRESENTATION: (continued)

3.1 (continued)

RECRUITMENT OF MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS FUND (continued)

A question and answer period ensued. Topics included:

- Northern Health incentives
- Retention

Northern Health –
Dr. Ronald Chapman,
VP Medicine, Dr.
Becky Temple, Medical
Director. Cathy Ulrich,
CEO

CRITICAL COMPONENTS OF PROVIDING HEALTH SERVICES

Northern Health representatives provided information on the critical components of providing health services in the Regional District area. Topics included:

- Recruitment / Retention Plan
- Provincial partners in recruitment
- Regional and local partners in recruitment
- Traditional recruitment initiatives
- Provincial rural programs
- Northern Health and community incentives
- North East dedicated physician recruiter
- Alternative physician compensation models
- Practice Ready Assessment – BC
- International medical graduate Return of Service program

A question and answer period ensued. Topics included:

- Nurse practitioner scope of work
- Physician recruitment – joint initiatives
- Impact of resident program
- Telemedicine
- Prescription filling / renewing
- Electronic medical records system

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:36 p.m.

CERTIFIED a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District from a Committee of the Whole meeting held on August 20, 2015 in the Regional District Office Board Room, Dawson Creek, BC.

Lori Ackerman, Chair

Jo-Anne Frank, Corporate Officer