

**BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

June 27, 2017

The following are highlights from the Open Board Meeting of the Erie St. Clair Local Health Integration Network (ESC LHIN):

Agenda Item	Highlights
<p><b>Open Mic</b></p>	<p>The ESC LHIN Board of Directors and senior staff heard from three presenters from the community:</p> <p>1) Denise Dodman, Interim Executive Director, from the Chatham-Kent Hospice; she provided an update on the hospice’s success after a full year in service. The Chatham-Kent Hospice has seen over 211 residents to-date, has over 200 volunteers, as well as a full team of clinical and administrative staff. Since opening their doors, the Chatham-Kent Hospice has developed three new strategic goals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ensure quality compassionate care</li> <li>2. Transparent, accountable, efficient management of resources</li> <li>3. Partner to build the system capacity to support end-of-life care</li> </ol> <p>ESC LHIN Board of Directors commended the Chatham-Kent Hospice on their important work and a successful first year in operation.</p> <p>2) Dr. Tony Hammer, Addiction Specialist Physician with the Erie St. Clair Methadone Clinic; he expressed his concerns regarding the “opioid epidemic” across the Erie St. Clair region. He shared that in one county alone, we have exceeded the provincial average for accidental deaths due to drug overdose. He discussed opportunities for an integrated system to address people suffering from addictions by determining the most effective approach for each unique patient, while keeping in mind best practices based on proven approaches.</p> <p>3) Gael Fisher, Chief Administration with the Erie St. Clair Clinic; she expressed her concerns regarding the delivery of addictions services and the difference between abstinence-based and harm reduction approaches.</p> <p>ESC LHIN Board of Directors agreed that the issues we are seeing now with addictions is a major challenge and something we are certainly focusing on. ESC LHIN CEO, Ralph Ganter, confirmed that statistics have showed that our LHIN is the worst in the province in terms of prescribed opioids. While work is already underway to address these issues, opportunities were discussed for the future ESC LHIN VP of Clinical to facilitate the development of an effective approach in regards to addictions. ESC LHIN promised to follow-up with Dr. Hammer and Ms. Fisher as we work through this process.</p>

<p><b>Presentations</b></p>	<p><b>Charlotte Eleanor Englehart Hospital of Bluewater Health / Town of Petrolia: Community Integration Capital Project</b>                  ESC LHIN Board of Directors heard a presentation from the following stakeholders in regards to a new collaboration project with the Town of Petrolia and Charlotte Eleanor Englehart Hospital (CEEH) of Bluewater Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mike Lapaine, CEO, Bluewater Health</li> <li>• Laurie Zimmer, VP Operations, Bluewater Health</li> <li>• Mary-Pat Gleeson, Petrolia Town Councillor</li> <li>• Michael Matthys, Dialog</li> <li>• Pat Cawley, Agnew Peckham</li> </ul> <p>The community partners have come together to create a shared vision of a “Health Care Village” in the town of Petrolia. In regards to a Hospital Master Plan for the CEEH of Bluewater Health, the objectives of the plan are to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Assess the physical condition of the CEEH</li> <li>2. Analyze service and health care needs for the surrounding community</li> <li>3. Identify capital investments to improve hospital operations, efficiency, and service over the long-term</li> </ol> <p>A Joint Steering Committee was formed, with membership from the community, local health care system, as well as the Town of Petrolia. To date, the committee has organized several open houses to engage the community on the proposed plans.</p> <p>Bluewater Health is currently in Stage 1A of the Capital Planning Process for this project; next steps include ESC LHIN Board review in September for the approval of both Stage 1A and 1B for submission to the MOHLTC.</p>
<p><b>Committees</b></p>	<p><b>Governance &amp; Nominating Committee Recommendation</b>                  ESC LHIN Board of Directors approved the scheduled date for regular monthly ESC LHIN Board Meetings to be on the third Tuesday of the month, effective September 19, 2017, as recommended by the Governance &amp; Nominating Committee.</p>
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<p><b>ESC LHIN Annual Business Plan 2017-18</b>                  ESC LHIN Board of Directors endorsed the final draft revision 1 of the ESC LHIN Annual Business Plan 2017-18 pending any further feedback and approval from the Ministry, as recommended by LHIN staff.</p>

## Reports

### Board Chair & CEO Reports

The Board Chair's report topics were as follows:

- From Words to Action – An Engaged Community
- From Ontario Association of CCACs (OACCAC) to Health Shared Services Ontario (HSSO)
- Opening Plenary Keynote
- The Hon. Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health & Long-Term Care
- Concurrent Sessions
- Awards for Excellence Reception

The CEO's report topics were as follows:

- LHIN Operations
- Communications, Public Affairs, and Organizational Development
- Health System Design & Implementation
- CEO Engagement & Development

For more information and to review the full Board Chair & CEO Reports, click the link below:

<http://eriestclairhin.on.ca/Board%20and%20Governance/Board%20Meetings.aspx>

## Board Meeting Materials

For further details and to access all materials from the June 27, 2017, Open Board Meeting of the ESC LHIN, click the link below:

<http://eriestclairhin.on.ca/Board%20and%20Governance/Board%20Meetings.aspx>

## Next Meeting

**Sept 19, 2017** (note: meetings will now take place on the third Tuesday of the month)

Open Board Meeting

1:00 p.m.

ESC LHIN, 180 Riverview Drive, Chatham ON N7M 5Z8

## More Information

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