



CENTRE DE SOINS PROLONGÉS  
**ST. JOSEPH'S**  
CONTINUING CARE CENTRE

## **THE COMMUNIQUÉ**

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### **REPORT FROM THE BOARD**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held on 21 June 2016. New Board Members Dr. Sally Grant and Ms. Erin Lalonde were welcomed to the meeting, as well as incoming Executive Director, Mrs. Gizanne Lafrance-Allaire.

### **PRESENTATION:**

Retirement of Rev. Mr. Gordon Bryan -- Ms. MacLennan thanked Rev. Mr. Bryan for his dedication and more than 40 years serving on this Board of Directors, most of which as the Bishop's representative. He has been a valued Board Member and will be missed. In appreciation, Rev. Mr. Bryan was given a watch bearing the Centre's Celtic cross, and cake was served.

Healthy Foods – This initiative by the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) aims to reduce rates of chronic illnesses such as heart disease, stroke and cancer by creating an environment where the healthy food choice is the easy food choice. Leaders in the 20 area hospitals in the Champlain LHIN have stepped up in effort to make their institutions true models of healthy living. Our facility has achieved a bronze level designation. Mrs. Ruest presented Mr. Jason Laplante, Food Services Manager, with a Bronze Designation plaque for display, and thanked him for his work in achieving this milestone. It is our goal to attain the silver level in 2017.

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Vacancy on Ethics and Mission Committee – The Board of Directors appointed Father Kevin Maloney to the Ethics and Mission Committee.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter of Resignation of Mr. Scullion – Mrs. Scullion's resignation from the Board of Directors was accepted with regret.

## CORPORATE SISTER LIAISON'S REPORT

Mother House in Montreal – The property in Montreal will be transferred to the City of Montreal. Interest groups are making statements. The museum will remain.

## REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATION

Mrs. Ruest's report included Good News Items (Nineties Club Ceremony held on May 18<sup>th</sup>), and Census data. Also discussed:

Management Goals and Objectives – Mrs. Ruest explained the proposed *Management Goals for 2016-17*, as recommended by the Leadership and Partnerships Team and appended to her report. These were approved by the Board.

Patients First Act, 2016 – Appended to Mrs. Ruest's report was background information from the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA) on this legislation (*Bill 210*). The Bill proposes new authority to the Ministry and the Local Health Integrations Networks (LHINs). OHA comments focused primarily on the LHIN directive provisions and how these changes, in combination with the other components of the Bill, have been assessed by the OHA and the hospital sector as a direct undermining of hospital governance. In the meantime, a letter to Mr. Anthony Dale, President of the OHA, was received today from Dr. Bell, Deputy Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, assuring that hospital boards are and will remain an integral part of our health system. Additionally, he reiterated that the Ministry does not intend to interfere with the operations of faith-based hospitals and "will ensure that protections for faith-based hospitals in the *Patients First Act* are maintained".

Ontario Cabinet Shuffle – With the Cabinet shuffle, there will now only be one Minister of Health and Long-Term Care: Dr. Eric Hoskins.

Farewell – Mrs. Ruest thanked the Sisters and Board of Directors for the opportunity of working with them and for their gift of time and dedication to the governance of St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre. She also extended best wishes to Mrs. Lafrance-Allaire and the Senior Team as they continue in the Centre's Mission.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Bishop's Nominee for Board of Directors – The Board recommended to the Members of the Corporation the appointment of Dr. Sally Grant to the Board as the Bishop's Nominee.

## QUALITY IMPROVEMENT / SAFETY COMMITTEE

QI Initiatives – The results of the *Resident/Patient Satisfaction Survey* were reviewed by the Committee one by one. The results were favourable and will be helpful for future planning. The report will be forwarded to the Residents' Council.

Balanced Scorecard – The Committee reviewed and discussed the *Balanced Scorecard for Fiscal Year 2015-16*. The Centre was able to achieve the targets set for the past year.

Safety / Crosswalk – Residents, patients and the Residents' Council are lobbying for a crosswalk on Water Street. City Council will vote on this matter at the end of the month.

#### ETHICS AND MISSION COMMITTEE

Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) -- The Committee agreed to await further information and guidance before policy preparation takes place. Of note is the fact that we are a faith-based facility and we do not engage in MAID.

#### AUXILIARY REPORT

70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – On 22 September 2016, at 1330 hours in Jeanne Mance Hall, our Auxiliary will celebrate its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

#### PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) REPORT

Narcan Policy – This was finalized by the PAC.

Portable X-Ray and Ultrasound Services – This mobile service is now coming to the Centre. Written reports of the results are received the same day.

Atrial Fibrillation Project – The physicians recently participated in this project which studies the use of anticoagulants without cranial bleeds. The goal of the project is to reduce strokes of an embolic origin.

OSCAR – This Electronic Medical Record (EMR) will be demonstrated to the PAC in the fall.

#### GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Resolution re Signing Officers – The Board of Directors approved a motion for our banking institution, outlining the Signing Officers of our Corporation.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES – The Centre's Education Calendar for June 2016 and Governance Educational Opportunities were circulated to the Board of Directors for information.

***The next regular Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for  
Tuesday, 06 September 2016 at noon in the Boardroom.***