

Central Health Board of Trustees

Board Chair Report

September 2019

I'm pleased to share highlights from our 14th Annual General Meeting, held in Harbour Breton on September 24, 2019.

With a shared vision of healthy people, healthy communities, the AGM was an opportunity to report on our progress on the four strategic priorities of the organization. These are Person- and Family-Centred Care, Better Value through Improvement, Better Care, and Better Health. The hard work throughout the 2018-2019 fiscal year reiterates our commitment.

This past year, our Board of Trustees held monthly open-public meetings at different community locations, participated in two physicians forums, helped develop the Terms of Reference for a Physician-Board Liaison Committee, and our Trustees currently Co-chair 10 Community Advisory Committees throughout the region.

On an organizational level, all 36 recommendations from the 2018 External Review have been actioned. Two new long-term care facilities and an expansion of a protective care unit is underway. Furthermore, \$5.7 million in capital equipment purchases and \$10.2 million in repairs and renovations was earmarked for 2018-2019.

Within the last year a Patient & Family Advisory Committee was created, and a Patient and Family Advisor has joined the Senior Management Team.

Information on our work over the past year can be found in the 2018-2019 Annual Report, on Central Health's website, at www.centralhealth.nl.ca.

The next Public Board meeting is scheduled for October 22 in New-Wes-Valley.

Don Sturge
Chair, Central Health Board of Trustees

