Central Health Board of Trustees

Board Chair Report

December 2019

I'm pleased to share highlights from our open board meeting, held in Gander on December 9, 2019.

The Board welcomed five new members to the Board of Trustees - Maisie Clark, David Oxford, Hector Pearce, Jennifer Whelan and Judy White. This brings the total membership to 13.

Members Bill O'Rielly and Samuel Saunders have completed their terms. We thank them for their years of dedicated service to health care.

All 36 of the recommendations stemming from the Central Regional Integrated Health Authority External Review have been actioned. Fifty per cent (18) of the recommendations are considered completed and fifty per cent (18) are in progress. In total, there were 145 actions, stemming from the 36 recommendations. The updated report can be found on the Central Health website.

As Chair of the Implementation Steering Committee, I am happy to say that we continue to see progress across the organization as a result of the report's recommendations. We commend the hard work and continued efforts of those involved and thank them for their work in helping to transform Central Health in such a positive way.

Strategic planning work continues to move forward. '5 partner' community engagement sessions have been held in Twilllingate, New-Wes-Valley and Springdale. There have been great turnouts and productive discussions about the future of health care in their communities.

In the New Year, additional sessions will take place in Grand Falls-Windsor, Gander, St. Alban's and Sandringham. It's a great opportunity to ensure that your thoughts and opinions about health care in your community are heard.

The next Public Board meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2020 in Grand Falls-Windsor.

Wishing you peace, joy and good health for the holiday season.

Don Sturge Chair, Central Health Board of Trustees