

Meeting of the Murrumbidgee Local Health District Board

Date: Wednesday, 15 December 2021

Time: 12.30pm

Venue: Room, Yindyamarra Meeting Room, Wagga Wagga District Office

Minutes

Board Members

Name	Present (P) Virtual (V) Apology (AP) Absent (A)
Dr Thomas Douch (Chair)	P
Mr Jonathan Green	PV
Ms Andrea Jordan	PV
Mr Geoff Twomey	P
Mr Adrian Lindner	P
Mr John Ireland	P
Ms Elke Cleverdon	P
Ms Elizabeth Dixon	P
Dr Alam Yoosuff	P

MLHD Executive & Staff

Name	Title	Present (P) Virtual (V) Apology (AP) Absent (A)
Ms Jill Ludford	Chief Executive, Murrumbidgee Local Health District	P
Mr Kevin Lawrence	Director Finance & Performance, Murrumbidgee Local Health District	P
Mr Troy Trgetaric	Acting Director Operations East, Murrumbidgee Local Health District	AP
Ms Robyn Manzie	Director Mental Health Drug and Alcohol, Murrumbidgee Local Health District	PV
Ms Jacqui Zutt	Board Secretariat Murrumbidgee Local Health District	P

Invited Guests

Ms Helen Emmerson	Director People and Culture, MLHD	PV
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Item 1	Welcome, Apologies and Acknowledgment of Country
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Item 1.1 and Item 1.2	Welcome
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The meeting was declared open at 1.10pm by the Chair, Dr Thomas Douch. Apologies were received from Mr Troy Trgetaric, Acting Director Clinical Operations (East).

The Chair acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which members were participating and paid respects to Elders past, present, future and emerging.

Item 1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members were asked to declare:

- i. Conflicts of interest in relation to the agenda

Item 2	Confirmation of Previous Minutes
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Item 2.1	MLHD Board – November 2021
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The minutes of the Board Meeting held on 24 November 2021 were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

MOVED: Director Cleverdon

SECONDED: Director Lindner

The minutes of the PRP Sub Committee Meeting held on 24 November 2021 were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

MOVED: Director Lindner

SECONDED: Director Twomey

The minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 2 December, 2021 were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

The Board note that the ARC is considering the Risk Appetite Statement which will be presented to the ARC at the March 2022 meeting and the Board at the March 2022 meeting.

MOVED: Director Cleverdon

SECONDED: Director Twomey

Item 3	Actions from the Previous Minutes
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Item 3.1	Action List
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Action List was discussed.
Closures accepted include:

- B21/08-004
- B21/11-001
- B21/11-002
- B21/11-004
- B21/11-006

Mr Kevin Lawrence, Director Finance and Performance spoke to presentation.

The Board noted the report and preparations for discussion with the MoH in February 2022.

Ms Helen Emmerson, Director People and Culture joined the meeting virtually and spoke to report. The PMES is one of many data points related to culture and engagement and the findings align with the other themes that have emerged.

The Board notes the report.

Item 4	New Business
Item 4.1	
Item 4.1.1	
	Ms Jill Ludford, Chief Executive spoke to the report. Key highlights include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collaborative Commissioning is progressing well.
	The Board noted the report.
Item 4.1.2	State Performance Report
	Noted.
Item 4.2	Workforce At Its Best
Item 4.2.1	Workforce update
	Ms Helen Emmerson, Director People and Culture spoke to the report.
Item 4.3	Sustainable and Well Managed Resources
Item 4.3.1	Finance Update – November 2021
	The Director Finance and Performance spoke to the report. The Board notes the new reporting template and financial report and roadmaps for November 2021.
Item 4.3.2	Accounts for Write Off – November 2021
	Accounts for Write Off – November 2021 approved. MOVED: Director Lindner SECONDED: Director Cleverdon
Item 4.3.3	Restricted Assets Balances (SP&T)
	Noted.
Item 4.3.4	Custodial Trusts (External Trusts)
	Noted.
Item 4.3.5	MLHD Roadmap Report
	Noted, refer Item 4.3.1.
Item 4.4	A Culture of Excellence
Item 4.4.1	Community Engagement
	Ms Jill Ludford, Chief Executive spoke to the report. In 2022 looking at strengthening community engagement with our LHACs. The COVID environment has made it difficult to travel and meet with communities. The Board Chair is committed to providing more regular updates to LHACs.

The Board notes the report and the commitment to reinvigorate community engagement in 2022.

Ms Jill Ludford, Chief Executive spoke to the report.
The Wagga Wagga City Council Precinct Committee is progressing a collaborative to develop a Health and Knowledge Precinct in the Wagga Wagga region.

The Committee includes representatives from the Local Government Area, Regional NSW, and Public and Private Health authorities and agencies, Education and Training Providers, Medical Specialists & Practitioners, and community representatives.

On 27 November 2021 the NSW Government announced \$1M funding for the planning of the Wagga Wagga Health and Knowledge precinct.

The Board notes the report and welcomes the \$1M funding announced in November 2021.

Action: A further update to be provided in six months' time, (July 2022) on progress of the Health and Knowledge Precinct planning via the Chief Executive update.

Item 4.5	Providing Safe Consistent Person Led Healthcare
Item 4.5.1	<p>The Chief Executive spoke to the report.</p> <p>On 5 December, 2021 Premier Dominic Perrottet announced that regional communities will benefit from a \$98.3 million health service boost to support local and visiting frontline health workers. It includes funding to deliver modern, sustainable accommodation for health workers in the Murrumbidgee, Southern NSW and Far West Local Health Districts.</p> <p>The Board notes the report.</p>
Item 4.5.2	
Item 5	Critical Issues
Item 5.1	Locally Led Reform
Item 5.1.1	COVID-19 Update
	Ms Jill Ludford, Chief Executive, provided a verbal update.
Item 6	Raising on Non Agenda Items Through the Chair
	Closed session. Not for publication.
Item 7	In camera session – Board members only
	Not held.
Item 8	Next Meeting
	The next meeting will be held on 17 February 2022
	Meeting Close
	The meeting closed at 3.22pm.

CERTIFICATION	DECLARATION – BOARD CHAIR
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Name: Dr Thomas Douch

Signature:

Date: [Insert Date].