Board Info

Information bulletin of the Board of Directors meeting

Highlights of the scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors
Thursday, September 14, 2017
Jewish Eldercare Centre – Schweitzer activities room

Report from the President and CEO of the CIUSSS
Dr. Lawrence Rosenberg reported that the CIUSSS is currently working with Ernst & Young's Quebec team to identify cost-savings measures, particularly in purchasing and logistics. The focus will be on awarding contracts and on inventory control over the next two years.

Francine Dupuis, Associate CEO, discussed the major work conducted this summer by the PRAIDA team and the Frontline Services Department, in response to the arrival of large numbers of asylum seekers. A congratulatory letter was sent by the Minister of Health, Gaétan Barrette, thanking the professionals for what they have accomplished in recent months. Council members took the opportunity to highlight the excellent work of Ms. Dupuis and her team, including Sébastien Blin and Valérie Pelletier.

Centraide campaign
A presentation about the Centraide 2017 campaign was made by Caroline Vachon and Claudio Rocchi, Philanthropic Development Advisors at Centraide of Greater Montreal. As part of the annual campaign, the CIUSSS’s objective is to collect $50,000.

Workplace integration contract
Emploi Québec offers a reintegration program that allows people to obtain subsidized jobs. Since the merger, the CIUSSS has been the employer. Emploi Québec requires a resolution by the Board of Directors to appoint a person who is responsible for these contracts. Beverly Kravitz, Director of Human Resources, Communications and Legal Affairs, is designated as the representative of the CIUSSS and all of its grouped and merged facilities. Any individual who holds the position of Director of Human Resources, Communications and Legal Affairs is also authorized, on an interim or permanent basis, to act as the representative of the CIUSSS.

Ernst & Young project
As mentioned by Dr. Rosenberg, the CIUSSS is working with Ernst & Young to generate savings of $3.5 million over the next two years in awarding contracts and in inventory management.
**Governance and ethics**

**Election of the officers of the Board of Directors:** The President of the Governance and Ethics Committee, Samuel Minzberg, offered a reminder that the mandates of the President and Vice-President of the Board will reach the end of their terms in September. The President has submitted a request to the Minister for reappointment. An answer is expected soon. Board members must elect the Vice-President from among the independent members. As this election may not be held during a regular or special meeting, the Governance and Ethics Committee will set the necessary processes in motion.

**Nomination to the Governance and Ethics Committee:** Approval was given for the nomination of Alyssa Yufe, a member of the Board of Directors, to the Governance and Ethics Committee.

**Nomination of a member to the Board of Directors:** Following the resignation of Vivian Konigsberg, the members of the Governance and Ethics Committee met with five potential candidates. A short list of two candidates has been sent to the Ministry of Health for a final determination from the Minister.

**Evaluation of the performance of the Board:** The results of the Board’s evaluation by the members was presented, as were the results of the Governance Assessment. Most members expressed a desire for more time to be allocated for a discussion of important issues.

**Code of Ethics and Governance:** Board members were invited to complete and submit the forms for *Déclaration des intérêts* and the *Déclaration des conflits d’intérêts*.

**Revision of Board By-laws:** The Governance and Ethics Committee recommended establishing a sub-committee, mandated with reviewing the recommendations about sanctions by the Council of Physicians, Dentists and Pharmacists (CPDP). The Governance and Ethics Committee will appoint the members of this new committee. Therefore, the members of the Board adopted the amended version of the by-law concerning the internal management of the Board of Directors that refers to this new committee.

**Advisory committees:** The President explained the purpose of the advisory committees, which notably serve to ensure that members of the Board participate meaningfully, that a succession plan is developed, and that members are provided with help and support from outside experts.

**Annual Report of the Council of Midwives:** Maëcha Nault, Head of Midwifery Services, presented the Council’s Annual Report. She stated that the Council has undergone a period of adjustment, due to changes in the position of Midwife Manager and in the team. Even so, the team was able to continue its mission of ensuring pregnancy follow-ups, meeting the needs of families, and meeting quality standards.
Annual Review of the achievements of Information Resources (BARRI)
Bob Lapointe, Director of Information Resources, tabled the Annual Review of his directorate’s achievements, for information purposes. He summarized the CIUSSS’s financial status and its efforts to maintain rigorous management of the funds devoted to information management and the continuity of activities. The President thanked Mr. Lapointe and his team.

Update on asylum seekers
Inherited from the CSSS de la Montagne, the Regional Program for the Settlement and Integration of Asylum Seekers (PRAIDA) is mandated to meet the psychosocial and medical needs of asylum seekers. Given the increasing demand for PRAIDA’s services over the past few months, professionals from our CIUSSS and those of other CIUSSSs and CISSSs in Montreal, Laval and Montérégie East have been called in to assist. An agreement was reached with the Health Ministry, in which the government will cover additional costs incurred by our professionals.

Presentation from the University Institute with an interest in ethno-cultural communities
The Scientific Director of the SHERPA Research Institute, Dr. Cécile Rousseau, made a presentation about her organization, which was recognized in March 2015 by the Ministry of Health and Social Services as a University Institute that focuses on cultural communities. Its mandates are to develop research projects related to frontline care and services for refugees, to analyze the violent radicalization of young people, and to provide training to educate and equip workers who must deal with this phenomenon. The Board offered congratulations for the work of this internationally recognized research institute.

Administrative affairs
Annual Report of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Rehabilitation of Greater Montreal (CRIR): Council members took note of the 2016-2017 Annual Report of the Research Ethics Committee of CRIR facilities, and authorized it to be sent to the Ministry of Health and Social Services. The 2016-2017 highlights and a supplement to the Annual Report were also presented by the Director of Rehabilitation, Felicia Guarna.

Nomination of a member to the Ethics Committee of the CRIR research establishments: Approval was given for the nomination of Karine Bédard, Ethics Specialist, as the second substitute member of the CRIR’s Institutional Research Ethics Committee.

Nomination of a Director of Academic Affairs: Approval was given for the nomination of Cindy Starnino, as Director of Academic Affairs for CIUSSS West-Central Montreal, effective August 28, 2017.

Nomination of an interim ombudsman and an interim assistant ombudsman: Due to the many changes in this team in recent weeks, Board members approved the temporary
nomination of Rosemary Steinberg as Interim Ombudsman during the absence of Hong Hanh Vo, or until the new ombudsman takes office. This temporary nomination takes effect on August 9, 2017. Board members also approved the temporary nomination of Maude Laliberté as Interim Assistant Ombudsman during the absence of Hong Hanh Vo, or until the new ombudsman takes office. This temporary nomination takes effect on June 18, 2017.

**Designation of an officer responsible for the establishment’s permits:** Approval was given for the nomination of Mme Nathalie Lecoq as the officer responsible for the permits of the CIUSSS and the facilities grouped under it, answerable to the Health Ministry.

**Registration of additional names with the Registraire des entreprises du Québec:**
The names CIUSSS du Centre-Ouest-de-l’île-de-Montréal, CIUSSS West-Central Montreal and IHSSUN for West-Central Montreal were authorized for designating the Centre intégré universitaire de santé et de services sociaux du Centre-Ouest-de-l’île-de-Montréal or the Integrated Health and Social Services University Network for West-Central Montreal.

**Conclusion**
The President announced that a meeting of the Members of the Board would be held on November 9, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to noon, to present and further discuss the establishment’s strategic plan.

Dr. Rosenberg tabled a document defining the establishment’s expectations with regard to home care.

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The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on:

**Thursday, Nov. 2, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.**