SRCHC BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
MINUTES
May 21, 2026

Present: E. Hill, S. Pivko, E. Speicher, J. Fetros, R. John, P. Berger, N. Hariharan, R. Ho (Chair), B. Bereket, A. Wells, A. Hu, D. Nashman, C. Creede
Staff: S. Wiens, S. Puri (recorder), R. Merritt, K. Foley
Regrets: K. Bataa (recorder), M. Cheng, A. Hamidian, A. Simard

1.1-1.4 Welcome, Conflict of Interest, Confidentiality, Code of Conduct

The Chair welcomed the Board and reminded Directors of Code of Conduct & Confidentiality.

Board candidates A. Wells and A. Hu introduced themselves to the Board.

The Land Acknowledgement video was shared.

1.5 Confirmation of Quorum and Approval of Agenda

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA
(1) S. PIVKO (2) J. FETROS CARRIED

2.0 Communication and Counsel

2.1 Strategic Planning

D. Nashman and C. Creede provided an overview of the insights emerging from SRCHC's strategic planning process over the past six months. The Board reviewed the draft Strategic Plan and offered their insights and considerations, contributing to the refinement of the plan.

Next steps include further fine-tuning the document into a polished, public-facing Strategic Plan that will accompany SRCHC's mission, vision, and values. The finalized version will be brought forward to the membership at the AGM in June.

MOTION: THE BOARD APPROVES THE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR SOUTH RIVERDALE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE FOR 2026-2031

1) S. PIVKO 2) N. HARIHARAN CARRIED

2.2 CEO Report

The Board acknowledged the founding of the organizations 50th Anniversary Community Advisory Committee, noting it as a strong opportunity for community engagement.

The Staff Appreciation event on May 13th was discussed, and the CEO was congratulated on 25 years of service.

The CEO provided a detailed update on the CTS, noting that operations will continue until 11:59 p.m. on June 13th. The organization has been advised that no staffing dollars can be used beyond that date, which has shaped the planning underway. The CEO described the various measures being taken to utilize available resources, with the goal of sustaining wrap around services for people who use drugs in the Moss Park community and preserving staffing wherever possible.

As part of the transition, Moss Park will close for one to two weeks to ensure clients clearly understand that service changes are taking place and SRCHC will no longer be providing consumption and treatment services.

3.0 Committees & Workgroups

3.1 Nominations

The Nominations Committee conducted interviews with all four Board candidates. After assessing each candidate against the criteria established by the Committee and approved by the Board, the Committee is putting forward Alex Wells and Amy Hu for appointment to the Board.

E. Hill also connected with P. Berger and N. Hariharan, who are standing for re-election, as well as with B. Bereket, who will be leaving the Board. E. Hill will follow up with R. Ho regarding next steps, and R. Ho will conduct an exit interview with E. Hill.

The slate of candidates will be approved by the Board in June and then the individuals will be elected at the Membership meeting in June.

3.2 CEO Performance Appraisal

Discussion on CEO Performance Appraisal was moved to the in-camera session.

3.3 Audit

The Audit is currently underway. Board members have waived notice to receive the Board-approved audited financial statements 30 days in advance of the AGM.

The Audit Committee will meet on Monday, June 15th, and by Tuesday morning the Board will receive the final audited financial statements for approval at the Board meeting on June 18th.

3.5 Alliance

Board members were encouraged to review the materials in the Board package related to the Alliance webinars and the upcoming AGM. The Alliance AGM is scheduled for June 2nd, and those wishing to attend are asked to notify the CEO.

MOTION TO APPOINT SHANNON WIENS AS VOTING REPRESENTATIVE AT THE ALLIANCE AGM ON JUNE 2ND 2026

1) R. HO 2) R. JOHN CARRIED

3.6 Advocacy Workgroup

The Advocacy Workgroup met to discuss the role of advocacy within the organization and how Board members can engage in this work in a way that aligns with SRCHC's mission, vision, and values.

The group explored the distinction between advocacy carried out by staff as part of day-to-day operations and the broader, strategic advocacy responsibilities of the Board. The group emphasized the importance of Board-to-Board engagement. The CEO noted that certain advocacy positions require Board leadership, particularly when they have implications from a health equity perspective.

The Terms of Reference, prepared by M. Cheng, were reviewed, and the Workgroup recommended that the Board approve them.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ADVOCACY WORK GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE
1) E. HILL 2) E. SPEICHER CARRIED

5.0 Consent Agenda

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA
1) R. JOHN 2) P. BERGER CARRIED

7.0 Meeting Feedback

The Board shared their feedback on the meeting.

8.0 In-Camera Session

The Board went in-camera.

9.0 Meeting Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 8:43 PM
1) P. BERGER 2) S. PIVKO CARRIED

Rebecca Ho

Rebecca Ho, Chair

Matthew Cheng, Secretary