

Present:

Michael D. Werier, Chairperson
Doug Sexsmith, President & CEO (Non-voting)
Rob Labossiere Wendy Sol Bob Dewar
Ron Hambley Jane MacKay Paul Challoner
Ken Sutherland Ilana Warner Carla Kematch

Being a quorum of the Board of Directors under *The Workers Compensation Act*.

Also attending:

Lori Ferguson Sain, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

Attending for Specific Items:

Alice Sayant, Vice President, Prevention, Assessments & Customer Service (PACS)
Dave Scott, Vice President, Rehabilitation & Compensation Services (RACS)
Rob Campbell, Vice President, Human Resources, Information Technology and
Administrative Services
Lorena Trann, Chief Financial Officer
Pat Macgillivray, Fair Practices Advocate
Robert Vanderhooff, CFA, CEO and CIO, Greystone Managed Investments
Elizabeth Marr, Vice President, Portfolio Strategy/Marketing
Bob Darling, Committee Member, Investment and Finance Committee
Stu Charles, Chief Information Officer
Warren Preece, Director, Communications

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order and confirmed the agenda. Introductions were made for Board Members who have not met the new Chairperson, Michael Werier.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the March 16, 2009 meeting were confirmed as a reasonable record.

BUSINESS ARISING

The Board received the information provided.

FOR CONSIDERATION/DECISION

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHAIRPERSON

(Board Order No. 11/09)

Ken Sutherland left the meeting for this item.

The Chairperson introduced discussion on this item.

On motion duly made and carried,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors appoints Ken Sutherland as Acting Chairperson for the Workers Compensation Board of Manitoba during temporary absences of the Chairperson, effective April 30, 2009 and continuing until a successor is appointed.

MANITOBA EMPLOYER COUNCIL LETTER – RESEARCH AND WORKPLACE INNOVATION PROGRAM (RWIP)

(Board Order No. 12/09)

The Chairperson introduced discussion. He noted that the Policy, Planning, Governance and Service Committee had discussed this matter at their meeting and referred to the Board of Directors for further review.

The Board of Directors discussed the issues raised in the letter from the MEC.

On motion duly made and carried,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approves the option to continue the administration of the RWIP as planned, budgeted and announced.

RWIP – REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

(Board Order No. 13/09)

Carla Kematch introduced this item on behalf of the former Service and Human Resources Committee.

On motion duly made and carried,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approve the issuance of an RFP under the mandate of the RWIP, for a review and analysis of the organizational infrastructure, environment and programming and cost effectiveness for workplace health and safety in Manitoba.

REPORTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Board of Directors received the following Committee reports as information:
Policy, Planning, Governance and Service Committee Meeting – April 20, 2009

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

The Vice President PACS, the Vice President RACS, the Vice President, Human Resources, Information Technology and Administrative Services and the Chief Financial Officer joined the meeting.

The Board received the information provided with the agenda.

Strategic Measures: The revised document was presented. The Administration agreed to provide a status update on the Optimal project to the Investment and Finance Committee in the next several months.

The indicators on achieving operational excellence are currently under development and will be ready for the next report.

Pandemic Planning: The Board of Directors was provided an update on the measures being taken at the WCB with respect to the recent influenza outbreak.

REPORT OF THE FAIR PRACTICES ADVOCATE

The Fair Practices Advocate joined the meeting to present her 1st Quarter 2009 report.

The Board of Directors noted an incident involving a lengthy delay in a claims decision. The Administration will provide information on the circumstances surrounding this item.

The Board of Directors received the report for information.

REPORT ON ADMINISTRATION OF SECTION 60.9 & JUDICIAL REVIEWS

The Board received the information provided with the agenda.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORK PLAN

The Board received the information provided with the agenda.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ilana Warner left the meeting.

INVESTMENT PRESENTATION (FINANCIAL SCAN)

Robert Vanderhooft, CFA, CEO and CIO, Greystone Managed Investments, Elizabeth Marr, Vice President, Portfolio Strategy/Marketing, Greystone Managed Investments, Bob Darling, Committee Member, Investment and Finance Committee, the Chief Information Officer and the Director, Communications joined the meeting.

Mr. Vanderhooft provided his perspective on the factors that led to the global economic meltdown and the measures that have been put in place by governments and banks to aid a market recovery.


Mr. Vanderhooft, Ms. Marr, Mr. Darling and WCB staff left the meeting.

IN CAMERA DISCUSSION

The Board of Directors adjourned to an *in camera* session.

CONCLUSION

As all matters coming before the Board had been dealt with, the Chairperson declared the meeting to be concluded at 2:45 p.m.



Chairperson



Corporate Secretary