

## GLEPHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20 March 2023 (by Zoom)

1. **Present:** Richard Bent (Chair), Richard Southby, Sheldon Greenberg, Justin Srivastava, Mukta Sharma, Najja Morris-Frazier, Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron, Tracey Price-Allan, and Bill Stronach.  
In attendance: Nick Crofts (ED)
2. **Apologies:** Pat Griffin, Lauren Jackson and Auke van Dijk.
3. **Agenda:** No additions to circulated agenda.
4. **Minutes from December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting:** Accepted with no amendments
5. **Financial Report:**  
The financial report for the period September 2022 to March 2023 was attached to the agenda. There were no remarkable issues. The financial report was accepted.
6. **Executive Director's Report (verbal):**
  - 6.1. Conference planning:
    - 6.1.1. The Umea European Regional Conference registrations are doing well. There are a couple of satellite meetings planned: The Education SIG will hold a student meeting; there will be a meeting on Harm Reduction, and: there is a Health Security meeting being planned and organized, led by Karl Roberts.
    - 6.1.2. LEPH2024. To this point no primary sponsor (an institution or organization will to take on the financial risk and enter into contracts) has been found to host in Vancouver. There is some interest in a small consortium of universities, however, there still needs to be an institution to be the primary sponsor. As an alternate, preliminary discussions will be held to host in Ottawa.
    - 6.1.3. Nick Crofts is working with Peter Miller in Australia to organize an Australasia conference on Trauma-Informed Practice. They hope to have a series of face-to-face conferences possibly in Scotland, Melbourne, Canada, and looking elsewhere globally, and then virtual joint conference.
    - 6.1.4. Future conferences: Vietnam has expressed interest in hosting an international conference, and Scotland has indicated they would be interested in hosting another international conference. These are in the early stages of discussion.
    - 6.1.5. In response to a question about the WHO involvement, Justin Srivastava indicated that the UK National Police Chiefs Council are looking at a webinar with participation from the WHO, NPSS and GLEPHA.
7. **Future of GLEPHA:**

7.1. There were two main issues for the Board members to consider and make decisions on.

7.1.1. First, the transition from CLEPH as CLEPH is dissolved in May 2023. There are a number of logistical arrangements to be made prior to that date. **Decision:** Bill Stronach and Richard Bent will put together a transition plan with a short time frame with the aim of bringing recommendations to the board to be voted on.

7.1.2. The second, more existential question relates to the long-term viability or sustainability of the association. GLEPHA has remained solvent through memberships dues, however, has not been able to grow the association in order to offer more to the membership, and to adequately host annual international conferences, among other objectives. While there is no immediate risk to the association, implementation of a strategic framework is essential. Some possible avenues and concrete actions were discussed. **Decision:** Nick Crofts and Richard Bent will draft the strategic framework with identifiable tasks and timelines, then bring that to the board for assignment of tasks to board members.

## 8. SIG Updates

8.1. Intersectionality SIG – Pat Griffin, by email, advised that the book on Culture and Diversity is with the copy editor now.

**NEXT MEETING** To be advised.