

Minutes for GLEPHA Board Meeting
Video Meeting
11/12 May 2020

1. **Present:** Richard Bent (Chair), Bill Stronach, Nick Crofts, Melissa Jardine, Inga Heyman, Jennifer Wood, Stan Gilmour, Auke van Dyke, Ian de Terte, Patricia Griffin

2. **Standing agenda items deferred to discuss priority issue of LEPH2021**
 - a. The Board considered plans to host LEPH2021 in Philadelphia and the impact of COVID-19. The COVID-19 pandemic has ceased international travel for an unknown period. There is uncertainty with respect to what the status of the pandemic will be in the US in March 2021, as well as other countries. Quarantine regulations for arrivals and returning to home countries are uncertain.
 - b. The Board discussed the importance of GLEPHA and LEPH2021 in promoting good public health practice and protecting the health of delegates.
 - c. Taking into consideration the planning requirements, uncertainty and health of delegates, the Board agreed to host LEPH2021 as a virtual conference.
 - d. The Board will begin exploring options for hosting a virtual conference

3. **Next meeting:** June 2020 TBC