

Minutes of the meeting of the
Health Service Executive Board
on
30th April, 2008.

Members present: L. Downey (Chair), D. de Buitléir, N. Brennan, B. Drumm, (CEO), PJ. Fitzpatrick, M. Gaffney, P. Farrell, J. Mooney, E. McCague (by telephone) and A. Scott.

Apologies: M. Murphy and J. Macri.

Attendees: Dara Purcell (Secretary to the Board)

Joined the meeting: T. Martin, L. Clancy
R. Phelan, J. Douiran and M. Dewhurst [McKinsey & Co]

Time & Location: HSE EA Offices, Adelaide Road at 10am

The items are presented in the order in which they were discussed at the meeting.

Item	Discussion / Comments	Action
1.	Organising for Integrated Care and Operational Effectiveness	
	<p>R. Phelan, J. Douiran and M. Dewhurst joined the meeting for consideration of this item.</p> <p>The Chairman introduced this item and referred to the letter dated 23rd April 2008 from Michael Scanlan, Secretary General Department of Health and Children to the CEO setting out his views on the review work following his meeting with representatives from Mc Kinsey.</p> <p>The CEO spoke of the need for management systems which deliver services to patients in an integrated way and empower local decision making. These systems should have significant clinical involvement, be guided by national standards and be responsive to local patient and service needs.</p> <p>R. Phelan spoke to the briefing paper which had been circulated prior to the meeting detailing the work done to-date by McKinsey. He highlighted in particular the consultation work done with stakeholders, the core design principles and case for change, the emerging perspectives and the potential change actions.</p> <p>Following a detailed discussion of the potential options involved it was agreed to proceed to engage with the Department of Health and Children on the emerging perspectives and potential change actions. Following this engagement the matter would be considered further by the Board.</p>	

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2.	Annual Report 2007 – adoption in accordance with section 37 of the Health Act 2004	
	<p>T. Martin and L. Clancy joined for consideration of the item.</p> <p>The Chairman informed the Board that, in accordance with section 37 of the Health Act 2004, the annual report had to be formally adopted no later than 30th April 2008.</p> <p>It was noted that drafts of the report had already been considered by management, the Audit committee and circulated to the Board at its April 2008 meeting.</p> <p>T Martin then reported on the process followed to prepare the draft Annual Report, 2007 following which board members provided feedback and suggested some amendments.</p> <p>Subject to the inclusion of the amendments suggested by members and finalisation of proofing and design layouts, the adoption of the Annual Report 2007 was proposed by N Brennan and seconded by M Murphy. (Decision Number: HSE/Board/30.04 (11) .2008)</p> <p>The report will be submitted to the Minister in line with section 37 of the Health Act 2004.</p>	Chairman
3.	AOB	
	<p>The Chairman reported on the meeting held with the Minister for Health and Children on 24th April, 2008 to discuss the financial outlook to year end and the corrective actions required to ensure services are delivered with budget in 2008. The CEO, M. Scanlan and L. Woods had attended this meeting.</p> <p>It was noted that the HSE cost containment plans had been considered at the Board meeting on 9th April 2008 and this matter will be on the agenda for the May 2008 meeting.</p>	

The meeting concluded at 12.50pm

Signed:

Date:

Liam Downey
Chairman