

Minute of the meeting of the
Board of the Health Service Executive
Thursday, 30th April 2010

Members present: L. Downey (Chairman), B. Drumm (CEO), N. Brennan, J. Fitzgerald, PJ Fitzpatrick, J. Lavelle, E. McCague, J. Mooney, D. Power and A. Scott.

Apologies: P. Farrell and S. Langford.

Attendees: D. Purcell (Secretary).

Joined the meeting: L. Woods, J. Carolan and S McGrath.

Time & Location: HSE Offices, Adelaide Road, Dublin at 8.30 a.m.

Item	Discussion / Comments	Action
1	Annual Report 2009 - Adoption in accordance with section 37 of the Health Act 2004	
	<p>L. Woods and J. Carolan joined the meeting for consideration of this item.</p> <p>The Chairman introduced this item reporting that, in accordance with section 37 of the Health Act 2004 the Annual Report 2009 had to be formally adopted no later than the 30th April 2010. Drafts of the 2009 Annual Report had been considered by Management, the Audit Committee and the Board at previous meetings.</p> <p>J. Carolan reported on the process followed to prepare the draft Annual Report 2009.</p> <p>Board members provided feedback and suggested some further revisions to the draft circulated prior to the meeting. Subject to the inclusion of the revisions suggested by members and finalisation of proofing and design layouts, the adoption of the Annual Report 2009 was proposed by J. Mooney and seconded by A. Scott and agreed by the Board (<i>HSE Board Decision No. 30.04(14)/2010</i>).</p> <p>The Board noted the Annual Report 2009 would be submitted by the Chairman to the Minister in line with the Health Act 2004.</p> <p>The Board also noted that the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General had undertaken to complete its audit of the 2009 Annual Financial Statements by the 14th May 2010 to allow these accounts be published with the Annual Report. L. Woods reported that no significant issues had arisen during the audit of the AFS 2009 and that the appropriate level of disclosure on the review initiated during 2009 of the SKILL programme was being finalised with the OC&AG and the Audit Committee.</p>	Chairman
2	Update on Industrial Action by IMPACT members	
	<p>S. McGrath joined the meeting for consideration of this item and updated the Board on the engagement with the IMPACT union at the Labour Relations Commission (LRC) to try and resolve the ongoing industrial action. He reported that IMPACT had sought to clarify some issues in relation to the 'Croke Park' Agreement that related to HSE staff. Management had provided as much clarification as possible on these matters and had sought from the Union a derogation from the industrial action for financial and performance reporting. He informed the Board that matters relating to the</p>	

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	<p>2004 IMPACT Agreement emerged during the discussions at the LRC and it was not possible to deal with these and consequently the talks were adjourned.</p> <p>The Board noted that, in the absence of an agreement, the actions presented at the Board meeting on 23rd April 2010 are being progressed by management.</p>	

The meeting concluded at 10.10am

Signed: _____
Liam Downey
Chairman

Date: _____