

EASTERN HEALTH BOARD

**Minutes of proceedings of Special Meeting
held in
the Boardroom, Dr. Steevens' Hospital, Dublin 8
on Monday 29th March, 1999 at 11.00a.m.**

Present

Mr. P. Aspell	Cllr. M. Barrett
Mrs. B. Bonar	Cllr. E. Byrne
Cllr. I. Cally, T.D.	Cllr. J. Connolly
Cllr. T. Cullen	Cllr. K. Farrell
Cllr. M. Flaherty	Cllr. C. Gallagher
Dr. D. Keane	Dr. M. Laffoy
Cllr. S. Laing	Mr. G. McGuire
Cllr. M. McWey	Dr P. O'Connell
Cllr. C. O'Connor	Cllr. C. Quinn
Cllr. K. Ryan	

In the Chair

Cllr. C. Gallagher

Apologies

Dr. J. Reilly
Cllr. R. Shortall, T.D.

Officers in Attendance

Mr. P. McLoughlin, Chief Executive Officer
Mr. M. Walsh, Programme Manager
Ms. M. Windle, Programme Manager
Ms. B. Clarke, Programme Manager
Ms. M. Kelly, Personnel Officer
Mr. M. Gallagher, Finance Officer
Mr. J. Curran, Technical Services Officer
Ms. M. Browne, Communications Director
Ms. M. Crowe, Management Services Officer
Ms. S. Fitzpatrick, A/Secretary

34/1999**CHAIRPERSON'S BUSINESS**

The Chairman read the following report which was noted by the Board.

1. Condolences

"I am sure members will join me in expressing our sympathy with Cllr. M. Flaherty, on the death of her father Mr. Tom Flaherty. As a mark of respect I wish to advise members that in accordance with Board protocol I am going to adjourn this meeting of our Board for fifteen minutes".

Members also joined in expressing their sympathy to Mr. Kieran Hickey, former Chief Executive Officer of our Board on the death of his mother. Meeting adjourned for fifteen minutes.

35/1999**ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, 1998.**

Following a discussion on the Annual Financial Statements for 1998 (copy filed with official minute) to which Cllr. E. Byrne, Cllr. S. Laing, Cllr. J. Connolly, Mr. G. McGuire contributed and to which the Chief Executive Officer, Ms. B. Clarke, Programme Manager, Children and Families and Mr. M. Gallagher, Programme Manager, Mental Health, Addiction and Social Development, replied, it was agreed, on a proposal by Cllr. M. Barrett, seconded by Cllr. J. Connolly, to adopt the Annual Financial Statements for 1998.

36/1999**REPORT OF NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR SPECIALIST PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES IN THE EASTERN HEALTH BOARD AREA - REPORT NO. 7/1999.**

Following a powerpoint presentation by Dr. E. Feeley and Dr. M. Laffoy on Report no. 7/1999 (copy filed with official minute) and discussion to which Cllr. K. Ryan, Cllr. S. Laing, Cllr. J. Connolly, Dr. D. Keane, Cllr. B. Bonar, Mr. G. McGuire, Cllr. E. Byrne, Cllr. C. Quinn, Cllr. T. Cullen, Cllr. I. Calley, T.D., contributed and to which the Chief Executive Officer, replied, it was agreed to adopt the report.

37/1999**NOTICES OF MOTION.**

McGuire

- (i) The Following motion was proposed by presentation by Cllr.M.Barret,Mr.P.Aspeel,Mr.G. McGuire, and seconded by Mr.G. McGuire:-

"In view of the excellent new facilities being provided by the Board for the purpose of civil marriages, that a minimum fee of £100 be changed for this service.

Following a discussion to which Cllr.M.Barret, Mr. G. McGuire, Cllr.E.Byrne, Dr.P.O'Connell, Cllr.C.Quinn ,Cllr. S. Laing, , contributed and to which the Chief Executive Officer, replied, it was agreed that a recommendation be made to the Department Of Health and Children to increase the current fee imposed for this service.

- (ii) The following motion in the name of Cllr.M.Flaherty has been deferred to the May meeting at the request

"That the Eastern Health Board investigate renewed concern about the safety of fluoride in the water supplies and whether the undoubted dental benefits outweigh any health risk and "

report on how many European countries which do not use fluoride in water achieve similar dental health outcomes to Ireland."

- (iii) The following motion in the name of Cllr. R. Shortall, T.D., has been deferred to the May meeting at her request

"That this Board appoint three Childcare advisors to promote pre-school playgroups in line with the practice in other health boards."

The meeting concluded at 12.35p.m.

CORRECT: PAT MCLOUGHLIN,
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER


CHAIRPERSON