



MidCentral District Health Board

Board Minutes

Meeting held on 28 June 2022 from 11.40am

Board Room, Gate 2 Heretaunga Street, Palmerston North

PART ONE

Members

Brendan Duffy (Board Chair), Heather Browning (*Zoom*), Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Norman Gray, Muriel Hancock, Materoa Mar, Karen Naylor (*Zoom*), Oriana Paewai, John Waldon, Jenny Warren.

Apologies

Nil

In attendance

Kathryn Cook, Chief Executive; Dr Jeff Brown, incoming interim District Director; Neil Wanden, General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services; Margaret Bell, Board Secretary; Shivarn Stewart, Communications Team Leader.

Note: Due to workload pressures, the Chief Executive would present papers on behalf of the executive team.

Media – one at meeting; one via Zoom

Public – two

1. KARAKIA

The meeting opened with the organisational karakia.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

2.1. Apologies

Nil.

2.2. Late items

2.3. Register of Interests Update

The following update to the Register of Interests was advised.

Materoa Mar

Add – Appointed to Mental Health and Addictions Reference Group – Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in State Care.

2.4. Minutes of the Board meeting held on 10 May 2022, Part One

It was resolved that:

the Part One minutes of the 10 May 2022 Board meeting be approved as a true and correct record.

(Moved Vaughan Dennison; seconded Muriel Hancock)

2.5. Matters arising from previous minutes

No discussion.

2.6. Verbal report from the Board Chair

No report.

2.7. Manawhenua Hauora Chair's Report

No report.

3. PERFORMANCE REPORTING

3.1. Chief Executive's Report

The Chief Executive presented this report, which was taken as read. In response to a question, it was advised that work on the mental health development was expected to commence in September 2022, with a build time of 18 months.

It was resolved that the Board:

note the update of key local, regional and national matters.

(Moved Vaughan Dennison; seconded Oriana Paewai)

3.2. Financial Update – May 2022

The General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services presented this report, which was taken as read.

The Board Chair noted that the Board's term was ending in a more positive position than anticipated at the start of the financial year and acknowledged the work of the executive and finance team.

It was resolved that the Board:

note this report was presented to the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee for noting

note that the month operating result for May 2022 is a surplus before one-off items of \$3.371m, which is \$7.578m favourable to budget

note that the year to date result for May 2022 is a deficit before one-off items of \$3.030m, which is \$11.530m favourable to budget

note that year to date for May 2022, a COVID-19 related contribution of \$0.083m and Holidays Act costs of \$4.910m have been incurred. Including these results in a year to date deficit after exceptional items of \$7.857m, which is \$13.120m favourable to budget

note that the total available cash and equivalents of \$32.183m as of 31 May 2022 is sufficient to support liquidity requirements

note that this is an interim financial report and that a full report will go to the Health NZ Board for consideration.

(Moved Oriana Paewai; seconded Jenny Warren)

3.3. Finance Report – April 2022

The General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services presented this report, which was taken as read.

It was resolved that the Board:

note this report was presented to the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee for endorsement

note that the month operating result for April 2022 is a deficit before one-off items of \$2.629m, which is \$0.352m favourable to budget

note that the year to date result for April 2022 is a deficit before one-off items of \$6.401m, which is \$3.953m favourable to budget

note that year to date for April 2022, a COVID-19 related contribution of \$0.077m and Holidays Act costs of \$4.496m have been incurred. Including these results in a year to date deficit after exceptional items of \$10.820m, which is \$5.367m favourable to budget

note that the total available cash and equivalents of \$30.385m as of 30 April 2022 is sufficient to support liquidity requirements

approve the April 2022 financial report.

(Moved Oriana Paewai; seconded Jenny Warren)

4. DISCUSSION/DECISION PAPERS

4.1. External Engagement Letter and Audit Plan

The General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services presented this report, which was taken as read. He noted that the external auditors, Deloitte, had participated in the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee meeting held prior to this Board meeting. Clarification was provided that the increase in audit fees was \$29,145, which had been approved by the Office of the Auditor-General.

It was resolved that the Board:

note this report was presented to the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee for endorsement

note the audit planning report

note the increase in audit fees which has been approved by the Office of the Auditor-General

approve the audit engagement letter to be signed by the Board Chair.

(Moved Muriel Hancock; seconded Vaughan Dennison)

4.2. **Enable New Zealand – Annual Reporting Requirements**

The General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services presented this report, which was taken as read.

It was resolved that the Board:

approve that pursuant to section 211(3) of the Companies Act 1993, the annual report of Enable New Zealand Limited for the year ended 30 June 2022 shall incorporate the financial statements and auditor's report thereon and exclude information specified in any of the paragraphs (2) and (e) to (j) of subsection (1) of that section.

(Moved Norman Gray; seconded Heather Browning)

5. **INFORMATION PAPERS**

No items.

6. **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

No discussion.

7. **LATE ITEMS**

No discussion.

8. **REFLECTIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Board members shared their reflections of their time spent serving on MidCentral District Health Board. This was followed by a presentation from Board members to the Chief Executive.

9. **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC**

It was resolved:

that the public be excluded from this meeting in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982, section 9 for the following items for the reasons stated:

BOARD MINUTES

Item	Reason	Ref
'In Committee' minutes of the previous Board meetings	For reasons set out in the agenda of 10 May 2022	
SPIRE Project Update	To carry out without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	9(2)(j)
Enable NZ Contracting Arrangements Approval	To carry out without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	9(2)(j)

(Moved Brendan Duffy; seconded Vaughan Dennison)

Part One of the meeting closed at 12.48pm

Confirmed this 30th day of June 2022

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Board Chair