



Annual General Meeting – July 10, 2019 Report from the Governance Committee

The Governance Committee of Nova Scotia Health Authority helps the Board fulfill its responsibilities by ensuring the highest level of governance for NSHA. The committee makes recommendations and provides oversight in the areas of governance policy and procedures, membership, board effectiveness, leadership, and board education and development. The committee monitors best practices in health sector governance and recommends actions to the Board as appropriate.

Examples of the work of the Governance Committee during the year included:

- Developed and implemented a Consent Agenda Policy
- Provided governance oversight to the implementation of open Board meetings; developed a policy and public participation guide, and revisions to the corporate bylaws to support this change in Board practice
- Oversaw and provided input into NSHA's strategic plan renewal
- Developed and implemented a Board Evaluation Framework
- Developed the annual Board work and education plan
- Oversaw and provided input into Board recruitment activities
- Initiated the development of a Board Competency & Recruitment Analysis
- Monitored and reviewed governance best practices
- Monitored the physician credentialing approvals process
- Reviewed committee structures and operations to support the Board's work

Committee Membership during 2018-19:

George Unsworth (Chair), David Graham, Wayne MacDonald, Doug Shatford, Jaime Smith, Frank van Schaayk, Board Chair (ex-officio, voting), Janet Knox, President & CEO (ex-officio, voting)

Respectfully submitted,

George Unsworth, Chair, Governance Committee