



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2025

Hybrid - Zoom/Board Room, 3008 Fifth Avenue, Port Alberni, BC

DIRECTORS

Debbie Haggard, Chair, Councillor, City of Port Alberni

PRESENT:

John Jack, Vice-Chairperson, Chief Councillor, Huu-ay-aht First Nations

Bob Beckett, Director, Electoral Area "A" (Bamfield)

Fred Boyko, Director, Electoral Area "B" (Beaufort)

Vaida Siga, Director, Electoral Area "C" (Long Beach)

Penny Cote, Director, Electoral Area "D" (Sproat Lake)

Susan Roth, Director, Electoral Area "E" (Beaver Creek)

Mike Sparrow, Director, Electoral Area "F" (Cherry Creek)

Dustin Dame, Councillor, City of Port Alberni

Marilyn McEwen, Mayor, District of Ucluelet

Tom Stere, Councillor, District of Tofino

Moriah Cootes, Councillor, Uchucklesaht Tribe Government

Kirsten Johnsen, Councillor, Toquaht Nation

Levana Mastrangelo, Executive Legislator, Yuuʔuʔiʔath Government

REGRETS:

Sharie Minions, Mayor, City of Port Alberni

STAFF PRESENT:

Daniel Sailland, Chief Administrative Officer

Teri Fong, Chief Financial Officer

Mike Irg, General Manager of Planning & Development

Cynthia Dick, General Manager of Administrative Services

Heather Zenner, Manager of Administrative Services

Alex Dyer, Planning Manager

Janice Hill, Executive Assistant

The meeting can be viewed on the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District website at:

<https://www.acrd.bc.ca/events/14-5-2025/>

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 2:51 pm.

The Chairperson recognized this meeting is being held throughout the Nuu-chah-nulth territories.

The Chairperson reported this meeting is being recorded and livestreamed to YouTube on the Regional District website.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: Director Stere

SECONDED: Director Sparrow

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Board of Directors Meeting – April 9, 2025

MOVED: Director Stere

SECONDED: Director Cootes

THAT the minutes of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District meeting held on April 9, 2025 be adopted.

CARRIED

5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

6. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

7. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

8. REQUEST FOR DECISIONS & BYLAWS

9. REPORTS

a. Bamfield Health Centre – B. Beckett. No report.

b. Alberni-Clayoquot Continuing Care Society – V. Siga. Last board meeting was held on April 29th, staffing is improving and going well.

c. West Coast Native Health Care Society – P. Cote. Proposal to build another three-floor low-cost housing unit in the Westport area and recently went to public hearing.

d. Tofino General Hospital – West Coast Directors. Director Stere gave a presentation to the Tofino Hospital Foundation. Director McEwen gave an update on the Ucluelet Health Centre and indicates that the plan is to open in September.

e. Alberni-Clayoquot Health Network – V. Siga. Climate Change and Sustainability Workshop was recently held that Director Siga and ACRD staff attended.

f. West Coast General Hospital – D. Haggard. Attended the Island Health and Regional Hospital Districts semi-annual meeting on May 2nd. Key messages from this meeting include next three years are going to be very challenging financially, including making some difficult decisions. Reviewing service models to look for any duplication of work. Some success in recruiting doctors from the United States, however most doctors tend to want to move to large cities. On April 29th met with Coalition of Doctors and other community partners. Tone of the meeting has improved and are starting to feel supported by the community and community partners. ACRD staff are working with doctors to develop a UBCM resolution to work on pay differentials.

g. Other Reports

MOVED: Director Stere

SECONDED: Director Cote

THAT the Regional Hospital Board of Directors receives reports a-g.

CARRIED

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. LATE BUSINESS

Requested that Dave Boychuk be invited to provide an update on the Tofino General Hospital replacement and to comment on the new role of the Ministry of Infrastructure and the work that will be closely related to Tofino General Hospital business plan phase.

12. QUESTION PERIOD

Questions/Comments from the public. The Manager of Administrative Services advised there were no questions or comments respecting an agenda topic from public:

- Participating in Person in the ACRD Board Room
- Participating in the Zoom webinar
- Submissions received by email at responses@acrd.bc.ca.

13. ADJOURN

MOVED: Director Sparrow

SECONDED: Director Stere

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 3:01 pm.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Debbie Haggard

Debbie Haggard,
Chairperson

Heather Zenner

Heather Zenner,
Manager of Administrative Services