



Annual General Meeting of the Private Healthcare Forum

held at Baroque Medical, 12 Rivonia Road, Illovo

24 May 2006 from 14h30 to 17h30

Present:

PHF members

Fazel Randera, Jonathan Broomberg, Alison Vienings, Chirfi Guindo, Roger Crawford, Kendrah Da Silva, Vicki Ehrich, Humphrey Zokufa, Al Denoon, Kurt Worrall-Clare, Dan Krige, Wilma Erasmus, Deon Buhrst, Stavros Nicolaou, Ashley Pearce, Val Beaumont, Monwabisi Gantsho, Raseela Inderlall, Neil Campbell, Alan Tomlinson, Nkaki Matlala, Guni Goolab

Apologies

Rob Millar, Muhammad Bodhania, Tjaart Erasmus, Owen Hooker, Brian Brink, Aquina Thulare, Kelvin Johnson, Adrian Gore, Nana Magomola, Kgosi Letlape, Adam Pyle, Ramish Bhoola, Rob Millar, Noel Guliwe, Edwin Hertzog, Tienie van den Berg, Jeff Michelson, Koert Pretorius, Sybil Seoka, Jonathan Louw, Muhammad Bodhania, Reg Engelbrecht, Otto Wypkema, Maureen Kirkman, Reg Engelbrecht, Jan Talma, Nana Magomola, Monika Springer

Secretariat

Tanya Vogt

1. Opening and welcome

Fazel Randera welcomed PHF members to the meeting.

2. Minutes of PHF Annual General Meeting held on 10 November 2005 and matters arising

The minutes of the PHF main meeting held on 10 November 2005 were confirmed as representative of discussions that took place and accepted.

3. Chairperson's Address

See attached.

4. Tabling of amended PHF Constitution and formal acceptance. See attached.

Kurt Worrall-Clare reported the following:

In the PHF's formative stages, there existed amongst PHF members certain differences and sometimes conflicting opinions on matters. Hence a 'loose' Constitution was developed with the primary purpose of bringing the industry together. This Constitution lacked detail and contained no provision for the amendment of the Constitution.

Over time it became apparent that the existing Constitution had served its purpose, hence the redrafting of the PHF Constitution. Critical areas that were amended and/or incorporated include:

- the forum elect the chairperson, thus ensuring that new members are not undermined;
- the Executive Committee appoint a vice-chairperson from within its ranks so as to allow the committee to function should the chairperson be absent;
- a chapter on indemnification and

- provision for amending the Constitution

Alan Tomlinson requested clarity on the reason for the two classifications of members. Kurt Worrall-Clare responded that at present, the founding members felt it important to maintain their founding status. However regardless of the two categories, all members have an equal voting status. He stressed that the new Constitution be viewed as a living document that will adapt over time and as the organisation grows. In this regard, the Executive Committee would entertain any and all suggestions by members, in relation to the Constitution.

Kurt Worrall-Clare requested that the broad forum revoke the old PHF Constitution and adopt the new one. The broad forum accepted the new Constitution subject to the following amendment:

Page 2 first sentence in the Definitions table - amend 4(1) to read 5(3)

5. Report on the Health Charter

Guni Goolab made a presentation on the health charter process. See attached. The following key issues were raised in discussion:

- Targets not aligned to the DTI include those for the following scorecard categories: Employment Equity (in terms of management categories), Preferential Procurement and Residual (see highlighted areas of page 5 and 6 of the presentation);
- The Health Charter skills spend deviates significantly from the DTI codes, in that it may be external or internal. The provisions of the Skills Act may need to be taken into account in this regard.
- The Public Health Enhancement Fund (PHEF) could be the central vehicle for private sector contribution to achieving the goals of access and equity;
- That the PHEF be governed by an independent trust, similar in analogy to that of the business trust;
- That the charter council be independently governed;

- That the charter be viewed as a partnership between all stakeholders and that acceptance of anti private sector language should be done so under protest. In this regard Kurt Worrall-Clare explained that the charter document no longer contains a causal link between the two parties i.e. accusations have been divided from the casual link, and that the spirit in which the discussions have been held thus far is very positive.

6. BUSA/PHF affiliation

It is noted that a comment by a BUSA representative stating that the PHF has not played a constructive role in participations in the charter process be investigated. Tanya Vogt was tasked with following up in this regard.

7. Finances

An audited PHF annual financial statement year ending Feb 2006 has been circulated to the broad forum. An excess amount of R244.00 of income over expenditure for the period: 1 March 2005 to 28 February 2006 is reported. In addition Tokiso is holding in trust, a surplus amount of R190 294.00 from the previous financial period.

The broad forum accepted the proposed 2006 PHF budget and funding model.

8. Elections

Patrick Deale of Tokiso conducted the election process for chairperson and then handed over the election of the Executive Committee to the new Chairperson. The following people were elected:

As Chairperson:

Fazel Randera

As members of the Executive Committee:

Founding members:

HASA – Kurt Worrall-Clare

BHF – Jonathan Broomberg

IMSA – Val Beaumont

PMA – Ashley Pearce

SAMA – Kgosi Letlape

SAMED – Al Denoon

NAPM – Raseela Inderlall

Ordinary members:

HPA – Alan Tomlinson

PSSA – Sybil Seoka

SASP – Wilma Erasmus

Executive Committee members are requested to come to the next Executive Committee meeting prepared with the names of their alternates and to elect a vice chair and treasurer.

9. Thanks and close of meeting

Fazel Randera thanked Baroque Medical and Albert Denoon for hosting the meeting. The meeting closed at 17h30.