

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE
HEALTH INFORMATION AND QUALITY AUTHORITY**
17 April 2023, 5 pm – 6 pm (zoom)

Present:

Name	Details	Initials
Pat O'Mahony	Chairperson	POM
Paula Kilbane	Board Member	PK
Jim Kiely	Board Member	JK
Bernadette Costello	Board Member	BC
Caroline Spillane	Board Member	CS
Lynsey Perdisatt	Board Member	LP
Michael Rigby	Board Member	MJR
Marion Meany	Board Member	MM
Martin O'Halloran	Board Member	MOH
Martin Higgins	Board Member	MH
Danny McConnell	Board Member	DMcC

In Attendance:

Angela Fitzgerald	CEO	AF
Kathleen Lombard	Board Secretary	KL
Marty Whelan	Head of Communications	MW
Sean Angland	Acting Chief Operations Officer	SA

1. Quorum

It was noted that a quorum was present and the Board meeting was duly convened.

2. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts were declared.

3. Draft Annual Financial Statements 2022

Sean Angland (SA) Acting Chief Operations Officer introduced the draft financial statements for 2022 and reminded the Board that the statements were presented to the Board for review in February, prior to submission to the Controller and Auditor General (C&AG) for audit. The draft financial statements have now been audited by the C&AG. SA advised that there have been no changes to the figures and that subject to some small

textual changes, the Office of the Controller and Auditor General (OCAG) has indicated that it will issue an audit certificate for the draft statements.

BC, Chair of the ARGC advised that the Committee had reviewed the financial statements at their meeting on 12 April and were satisfied that they be presented to the Board for approval. In addition, she commended the finance team on achieving a “clean” audit.

The Board expressed appreciation for the efficient production and processing of the end of year financial statements and the positive outcome from the C&AG’s audit.

On behalf of the ARGC, BC proposed approval of the 2022 financial statements. MJR seconded the proposal; **accordingly, it was resolved that the 2022 financial statements be approved by the Board.**

4. Annual Report 2022

AF introduced the draft annual report for 2022. She explained that the Report seeks to set out the depth and breadth of the activities undertaken in 2022 in accordance with the Corporate Plan 2022-2024 objectives. In addition, additional focus has been given in the 2022 Annual Report to reflecting HIQA’s core values, where possible, throughout the report.

Marty Whelan (MW) presented the draft annual report and advised that the report is prepared and will be submitted to the Minister for Health in accordance with Section 37 of the Health Act, as amended. It was confirmed that permission had been provided for use of the photographs contained in the report.

The Board reviewed the annual report and acknowledged the huge amount of work achieved by the Executive and their teams. The Board also complimented the balance of coverage within the report and the overall design and tone. The Board requested the CEO to reflect the Board’s appreciation to staff for the work delivered during 2022.

MOH proposed approval of the 2022 annual report and CS seconded the proposal; **accordingly, it was resolved that the 2022 annual report be approved by the Board.**

5. Any other Business

AF provided a brief summary of the progression of relevant pieces of legislation through legislative process.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed.

Signed


Pat O’Mahony
Chairperson


Kathleen Lombard
Board Secretary

