

# MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Mr Niall Doyle, Deputy Chairman, presided at the monthly meeting of the Executive Committee held in the Boardroom of the hospital on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 5.15pm.

## **There were also present:**

Dr Rhona Mahony	Prof. Colm O'Herlihy	Ms Isabel Foley
Mr William Johnston	Dr Declan Keane	Ms Catherine Ghose
Mr Kevin Mays	Prof. Fionnuala McAuliffe	Ms Kathleen O'Grady
Mr Aidan Devlin	Dr Peter Boylan	Ms Elizabeth Nolan
Fr. John Gilligan	Dr John Murphy	Ms Lydia Ensor
Mr Nicholas Kearns	Dr Michael Robson	Ms Catherine Altman
Cllr. Naoise Ó Muirí		Ms Patricia O'Shea
Cllr Micheal MacDonncha		Ms Michele Connolly
		Cllr Claire Byrne

## **In attendance were:**

Mr Ronan Gavin	Ms Mary Brosnan	Mr Alistair Holland
Secretary/General Manager	Dir. Midwifery & Nursing	Financial Controller

## **Apologies were received from:**

The Lord Mayor	Dr Peter McParland	Ms Pamela Fay
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At the outset of the meeting Mr Niall Doyle welcomed Ms Michele Connolly to her first Executive Committee meeting.

It was agreed that the NMH would sign Part 2 of the SLA subject to a number of caveats / clarifications including procurement / funding / code of conduct. It was noted that Part 1 which we had previously signed had been "re-opened" due to "step in rights" clauses. It was noted that some other hospital's were in similar positions.

It was agreed that the normal business of the meeting would be suspended to allow for a discussion of the co-location project.

The Deputy Chairman opened the discussion noting that it was important that everyone be fully informed and involved and that this was an open debate and discussion. He then asked Isabel Foley to remind everyone where the last position was.

Ms Foley noted that the SVUH proposal effectively dismantled the NMH Board and the NMH was effectively subsumed by SVUH, the Mastership dismantled and the NMH effectively becomes a division of SVUHG – a board selected by SVUH with no independent decision making. Effectively a takeover of the NMH.

There was lengthy discussion regarding the issue and contributions from many of those present. There were strong concerns expressed regarding the SVUH proposal. The need for appropriate governance and management for obstetric/neonatal services with a focus on the patients' needs was strongly emphasised and agreed. It was agreed that proper co-location best served this purpose.

**There being no further business the meeting ended.**