



Minutes of the meeting of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI) held in 18/20 Carysfort Avenue, Blackrock, Co Dublin, on Wednesday, 16 August 2017 starting at 15.00 hrs.

**Members Present:**

Ms E Cassidy, President  
Mr D Murphy  
Ms M Monahan  
Mr K McGrane  
Mr M Blake-Knox  
Dr K O'Carroll  
Ms M Barrett  
Ms T King  
Dr D Lawler

Ms M Griffin, CEO  
Ms U Byrne, Director of Regulation  
Ms D Johnston, Director of Midwifery (item 3.1)  
Ms V O'Rourke, Fitness to Practise Department  
Ms O Coady, Minute taker  
Mr D Holohan, Beauchamps Solicitors

**Item 1 – Apologies and conflicts of interest**

- 1.1 Apologies were received from Mr J Murray, Ms K Canning, Ms B Liston, Mr D Manning, Prof E Breatnach, Ms S Cleary, Ms L Clarke-Bishop, Dr L Kavanagh McBride, Mr M Higgins, Dr R McElvaney, Mr P Dolan and Mr L Minihan.
- 1.2 The President reminded Board members of the provisions of the conflict of interest policy. The President then asked Board members to review the agenda to identify any conflicts of interest. No conflicts of interest were identified.

**Item 2 was considered after item 3.**

**Item 3 – Any other business**

- 3.1 Membership of the Midwives Committee

Ms Johnston joined the meeting.

**Decision** Following a brief presentation by Mr Johnston, the Board agreed to approve the appointment of Mr Mark Skehan, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, to the Midwives Committee replacing Dr Declan Keane and pursuant to section 24(3)(ii) of the Nurses and Midwives Act 2011 (a registered medical practitioner registered in the Specialist Division in relation to obstetrics and gynaecology under the Medical Practitioners Act 2007).

### 3.2 Approval of the draft unaudited financial statement 2016

**Decision** The Board agreed to revise the minute of the Board meeting of 21 March 2017 (item 10.1.1) to confirm that the Board approved the draft unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016. The revised minute to read:

*Mr Higgins updated the Board on the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 9 March 2017. A briefing note was circulated to the Board. The Board approved the report and also the draft financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016 for submission to the Comptroller and Auditor General.*

### **Fitness to Practise Matters**

The Board considered the following:

- An application pursuant to Section 53 or Section 58 of the Nurses and Midwives Act 2011.
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There being no further matters for consideration the meeting ended at 17.40hrs.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Essene Cassidy**  
**President**



**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_