KING’S HEALTH PARTNERS JOINT BOARDS MEETING
MINUTES OF THE KING’S HEALTH PARTNERS JOINT BOARDS
HELD ON THURSDAY 13th NOVEMBER 2019
MELBOURNE HOUSE, THE ALDWYCH, LONDON

PRESENT

Lord Butler Non-Executive Director, KHP (chair items (1&2)
Prof Ed Byrne President and Principal, KCL (chair)
Prof Sir Robert Lechler Executive Director, KHP
Mr Robin McIver Chief Operating Officer – Arts & Sciences, KCL
Sir Hugh Taylor Chair, GSTT and KCH NHS FT
Ian Abbis CEO, GSTT NHS FT
Mr David Bradley Chief Executive, SLaM NHS FT
Ms June Mulroy Chair, SLaM NHS FT
Dr Clive Kay CEO, King’s College Hospital NHS FT
Prof Garret FitzGerald Non-Executive Director, KHP
Rt Hon Stephen Dorrell Non-Executive Director, KHP
Dr Pamela Kirby Non-Executive Director, KHP

APOLOGIES
None

IN ATTENDANCE
Ms Jill Lockett KHP Director Performance & Delivery
Mr Andrew Leather Director – Centre for Global Health Partnerships
Ms Laura Tucks Programme Director – Global Health

1. Minutes and Matters Arising

Lord Butler welcomed everyone to the meeting of the KHP Joint Boards, noting that he would chair the first two items to allow time for the Principal Ed Byrne to formally welcomed Mrs Hilary Rodham Clinton to KCL.

The minutes of the last meeting of the King’s Health Partners Joint Boards held on 19th September 2019 were agreed as a true record. The notes of the KHP CEOs’ Action Group held on 25th October were accepted.

Matters arising

None

2. King’s Health Partners Global Health Update

Lord Butler welcomed Mr Andy Leather and Ms Laura Hucks to the meeting. The KHP global health programme continues to grow strength with new programmes developing in the Democratic Republic of Congo alongside the pre-existing programmes in Somaliland, Sierra Leone and the GSTT developed
programme in Zambia. The work of the teams focusses on strengthening health systems through education, research and clinical practice. The 10-year strategy we launched in 2018 is beginning to bed down with evidence of increased grants, partnership engagement and a sense of growing mutual benefit.

In discussion it was noted that there are considerable opportunities for improving the engagement between the programme and front-line staff and general management across KHP and that it would be helpful to have an increase in volunteering and engagement with local partners. It was noted that the Arts and Sciences team in KCL would have considerable knowledge and expertise to offer. It was agreed that there was considerable potential to include partners from other universities and national/international think tanks to develop the narrative for strengthening in-country systems.

It was agreed that the programme would engage with local executive teams to help facilities this better and that a conversation with the KHP CEOs’ Action Group would be helpful to consider wider benefits and mutuality.

Lord Butler thanked the team for the significant progress underway in delivering the Global Health strategy.

➢ **Actions:** Team to meet with CEOs’ Action Group in Winter/Spring 2020 and to feedback progress to the KHP Joint Boards in Summer 2020.

3. **King’s Health Partners Five Year Plan**

Robert Lechler and Jill Lockett presented the current draft and thinking for the KHP 5 year plan and the preparedness underway toward the NIHR competition for AHSCs in England. It was noted that submissions for the competition are due by 11 December 2019 and interviews for shortlisted partnerships anticipated at the end of February 2020.

It was agreed that the KHP team needed to consider the exemplars and areas of business that most differentiated KHP from other partnerships, nationally and internationally. It was agreed that the horizon scanning of local health system needs and the education and research culture were changing dramatically, and that the partnership needed to prepare and set out its offer going forward to patients, staff, students and collaborators. All agreed that the Mind and Body programme offered a unique selling point for KHP going forward.

➢ **Actions:** Jill Lockett and team to prepare the AHSC competition submission and share with the CEOs’ Action Group in November. KHP Joint Boards to review the final draft and offer comments in early December.

4. **King’s Health Partners Director’s report**

Robert Lechler presented his report for the previous month, highlighting the following key issues:
• The interviews for the replacement for Prof John Moxham’s Director of Clinical Strategy role had been very productive with the agreement to appoint three local clinicians to work on sessional time in VBHC, CAG development and Primary Care engagement.
• The collaboration between The Wellcome, KCL and KHP had been successful in being awarded a £2m Arts in Health grant to develop the role of arts and engagement to improve health outcomes.

5. Any other Business

Appointment of a new Vice Principal – Health

Ed Byrne highlighted Robert Lecher’s plans to step down from his role as VP – Health and Executive Director King’s Health Partners in July 2020. Ed Byrne confirmed that a search team had been appointed to identify an international list of candidates for interview in March 2020. Ed Byrne thanked the Joint Boards for their offers of support and involvement in the process going forward.