



BROWN BAG LUNCH – May 5, 2026

Summary

Date: May 5, 2026

Time: 12:00–1:15 PM

Location: KGH Murray Ramsden Boardroom

Attendees

Leader: Ms. Allison Young, KGH Foundation CEO | Dr. Deanne Taylor, Executive Director of JP Centre for Health Systems, Learning & Innovation

Facilitators / Wellness Officers: Dr. Deema Jassi

Attendees:

- Dr. Cara Wall
- Dr. Ryan Knebel
- Dr. Scott Lyle
- Dr. Liam Jackson
- Dr Ansley McCaskill
- Dr Mike Zwardon
- Dr Gina Polley
- Dr Ben Wierstra
- Dr Deema Jassi (moderator)

Guests: Recorder: Paymaneh Ritchie

Methods

a. Advertisement

- Posters and email invitations distributed via KGH medical staff email lists.
- Invitations shared on WhatsApp (KGH Wellness Community group)
- Personal invitations and messages
- Paper posters placed throughout the hospital

b. Selection of Leader / Guest

Ms. Young and Dr. Taylor have been invited to further discuss resources and opportunities KGHF and JP Center offer to KGH Medical Staff

c. Record Keeping

- AI-Minute-taker used with permission
- Electronic Minutes maintained
- Written notes recorded.

d. Information Sharing

- Summary to be shared with attending groups

e. Follow-up on Action Items

- As outlined below
- *Items in Blue Font indicate Pending Action Items. These actions are under the direct management of another IHA leader. The Wellness Officer will have the responsibility to find the leader under whose portfolio this matter falls and will follow-up, either by inviting the responsible leader to lead a Brown Bag Lunch, or via another communication channel.*
- *Items in Green Font are under the management and portfolio of today's leaders*

f. Feedback from Attendees

- Open discussion format with active engagement

g. Miscellaneous

- Meeting emphasized dialogue, no formal presentation
 - Significant discussion on resources offered by KGHF and JP Center
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Summary of Pebbles & Asks

1) Communication & Physician Voice (Dr. Knebel)

- Request: examples of pathway of a project co-managed by both.
- Difficulty receiving assistance with operationalizing ideas - particularly when communication with both JP Center and KGH Foundation are not streamlined.
- Frustration with feedback loops

Ask:

- Improve Communications
- Improve transparency with decision making processes
- Establish consistent communication channels between KGHF and JP Centre and ultimately KGH physicians

Action Item:

- Both to work on creation of streamlined co-communication channels
- JP Centre to follow up communication with physicians
- KGHF updating application forms in a front-facing format

2) Grant assistance and operationalisation by the KGHF and JP Center

- Dr. Wyle's "Brain Health" initiative being lost in administrative confusion

Ask:

- Improve processes, transparency, available resources
- Transparent communication with respect to project proposals across the site and region.

Action Item:

- KGHF to offer accessible on-line grant application
- JP Centre for Health provides dedicated project managers, with a streamlined pathway to access

- KGH Foundation is in close contact with site regarding operational pathways to implement pathways
 - Increase on site presence, to demonstrate the complementary nature of the JP center and the KGH Foundation. JP center is not a grant giver/donor, they support project management, innovation and discovery.
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3) Donors' Funds

Pebble:

- How do private donors engage and support physicians

Ask:

- Are there processes to manage receivership of donors' funds

Action Item:

- All Donor funds must go through KGHF, which will then be communicated with the intended lead physician
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4) Project approvals challenges

Pebble:

- Many ideas and applications

Ask:

- How do applications get approved and managed

Action Item:

- Some physicians have many ideas. KGHF can assist in focusing on manageable projects and streamline / prioritise needs and financial request
- JP Centre can assist with the project management aspect of each application.

5) Current JP Center Initiatives that can be seen/heard by KGH Medical Staff

- **Air Quality improvement**
- **DM app to support remission of T2DM**
- **Collaboration with Lilo Health**
- **Capital projects to potentially support out of town patients**

6) Current KGH Foundation Initiatives that can be seen/heard by KGH Medical Staff

- **Food vending machines**
- **Perking Lot**
- **Vinnie**
- **ER Triage expansion**
- **many more..**

Closing Notes

- Strong engagement and candid discussion across participants
- Increasing sense of literacy amongst guests about the system we practice in
- Recognition of significant need for improved communications and engagement follow up
- Continued dialogue and follow-up will be critical to maintaining momentum and accountability. Both leaders are interested in joining the next BBL and request calendar invitations.