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Deep River and District Hospital CEO Retiring by Summer

Deep River, ON, January 20, 2012- At the January Board meeting, Deep River and District Hospital CEO Larry Schruder announced his plans to retire by the end of June 2012 to pursue other part-time self-employment. “There comes a time in every person’s life where the appeal of having more time available for non-work activities equals or exceeds the need or the desire to work even the most exciting of jobs” said Larry Schruder. “During these past 3 years, I have been blessed with the most exciting and fulfilling role of my working career – and have worked with some of the best people in the healthcare field. My decision to retire from this role comes with mixed emotions. I expect to have a busy 6 months ahead of me prior to my retirement date.”

Board Chair Paul Fehrenbach expressed disappointment and regret on the part of the board, noting that, “Larry Schruder has made a tremendously positive impact for both the operation and reputation of Deep River and District Hospital. Staff morale and confidence has improved such that our hospital is developing a well-earned reputation for quality of care and patient satisfaction. Larry has also been active in positive interactions with the communities we serve. We shall certainly miss his drive, enthusiasm and management expertise.”

Starting April 1, Schruder will begin the transition process from the CEO role by operating in a part time capacity with DRDH. In the meantime the Board has formed a CEO Search Committee to engage an external consultant to begin the process of identifying a replacement CEO immediately.