

## ST. JOSEPH'S GENERAL HOSPITAL

<i>Committee:</i>	Audit
<i>Chair:</i>	James Bennett (from December 2005)
<i>Committee Members:</i>	Greg Osborne Ron Philip Michael Pontus Eric Macdonald Joyce Miracle (to December 2005) Katja Waldman

Joyce Miracle stepped down from the Board of Directors of the hospital in December 2005, and her many years of conscientious and diligent service as Chair of the Audit Committee are recognized with gratitude.

This year, as well, the firm of Benard & Thomsen indicated they would no longer be offering their services as auditors for the hospital. Benard & Thomsen served as St. Joseph's auditors since 1993.

The Audit Committee issued a request for proposals for audit services for the hospital in the fall of 2005. The firm of Meyers Norris Penny was selected and appointed by the Board as auditors for the 2005/06 financial year.

Our initial work with Meyers Norris Penny has concentrated on establishing a detailed audit plan and signing off on their engagement letter. The changeover from Benard & Thomsen to Meyers Norris Penny has gone very well, and the auditors have spoken highly of our Finance Department and their cooperation throughout the audit.

The auditors have also provided us with an extensive review of the hospital's internal controls with recommendations to be evaluated and followed up in the coming fiscal year.

Thank you, as well, to Katja Waldman and her Finance staff for their excellent work in meeting all of this year's reporting requirements and deadlines.

July 17, 2006

James Bennett  
Chair