

**PACIFIC COMMUNITIES HEALTH DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

PRESENT: Ralph Breitenstein, MD, Chairperson
 Kath Schonau, Vice Chairperson
 David Long, MD, Secretary
 Bonnie Saxton, Director at Large
 Chris Carlson, Treasurer

ALSO, PRESENT: Jim Shepherd, Legal Counsel Lesley Ogden, MD, CEO
 Jane Russell, COO Kathryn Doksum, District Finance Mgr.
 Lisa Ely, Recorder Jon Conner, Facilities Director
 Ursula Marinelli, Foundation Dir. Sam Jones, VP of Patient Services

CALLED TO ORDER: Chairperson Ralph Breitenstein, MD, called the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 4:05 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Citizen Mary Deriberprey, from Yachats, OR, joined the Virtual Teams board meeting via telephone to provide information to the PCHD Board regarding concerns in her community. She has heard doctors are receiving pay cuts this year while their working hours are being increased. She is very concerned that doctors and nurses might leave, which may cause a negative impact to patients. Deriberprey also mentioned she had been contacted by a representative from Samaritan who noted the valley has formed a medical group for providers across the system. Deriberprey asked if the valley group is making decisions for the coast providers, is the Board aware of this?

Dr. Ogden, SPCH CEO, addressed Ms. Deriberprey concerns by stating that Samaritan Health System (SHS) is seeking a positive change for providers and have encouraged physician participation in the transition and decision-making process and that there is a surgical physician who does represent our local providers. SHS has tried to standardize salaries and offer comparable salaries across the market and the nation. Each provider has had a one-on-one consultation to discuss standardization changes and ensure they are comfortable and to see if they need additional training in order to be successful. There have been some special accommodations regarding compensation, different than neighboring providers, for those at coast whose job duties have different requirements or additional duties.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA ITEMS: Chairperson Ralph Breitenstein, MD, requested confirmation of the meeting agenda. Dr. Ogden indicated that Doug Boysen will not be available.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: After review of the January 19, 2021, Regular Board Meeting minutes, Ralph Breitenstein, MD, requested approval.

Chairperson Ralph Breitenstein, MD, requested a motion. Kath Schonau moved to approve the minutes. Bonnie Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

MONTHLY REPORTS/QUARTERLY REPORTS

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Kathryn Doksum, District Finance Manager, presented the January financial reports for review and approval as follows: Check Register; Bond Requisition and Interest Summary; Balance Sheet; Trend Analysis for the PCHD General Fund; Capital Fund; and Debt Service Fund.

Chairperson Ralph Breitenstein, MD, requested a motion. Bonnie Saxton moved to accept the financials. David Long, MD, seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

LEGAL REPORT FROM COUNSEL: Jim Shepherd indicated there was nothing to report at this time.

HOSPITAL REPORT: Dr. Ogden stated that vaccines continue at the Lincoln County fairgrounds for the Mass Vaccine Clinic this Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. It appears that 11 percent of community members have been vaccinated, which is more than other counties.

SPCH's Family Residency rural training track program recently received a site visit from the Accreditation Counsel for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). They noted quite a few positive things – degree of institutional support from Corvallis and from the coast. In addition they were pleased with the volume and variety of clinical experience defined in our rural training track program. This will be an independently accredited program. A summary of site report has been sent to ACGME and a response for the initial accreditation should be received around the first of May. Once approved, recruitment could start this summer to matriculate for Corvallis in the summer of 2022 with students working at Newport in the summer of 2023.

In addition, Dr. Ogden reviewed the following statistics: HARM Report; Emergency Room; Primary Care Clinic; Specialty Clinics; Support Services; Community Partnership. Also Employed Physician Clinic tracking data was reviewed.

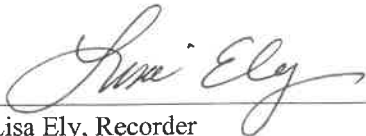
CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS: Jon Conner reported that the documents for the Walk-In Clinic have been submitted to the City Newport and OHA for plan review. First comments have come back from the city plan review – just a few small questions/details regarding framing details. Conformation from OHA plans have been received, but they are really swamped and behind right now.

The design meeting for the Water Resiliency Project was set for tomorrow, however Water Systems Consulting has been affected by the recent power outages and the meeting will have to rescheduled.

BOARD ITEMS/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Informational traffic advisory update: Dr. Breitenstein represents the Health Community on the Traffic Advisory Council Committee along with a Consulting Civil Engineering company, ODOT, and the City of Newport Engineer. The Committee has had setbacks due to COVID but will be moving forward with a public hearing in a week or so. Noted was the congestion points most common on Highway 101, which are at Olive and 101 and the four blocks in the up-town area. Dr. Breitenstein presented three maps with potential ideas for better traffic flow: US 101/US 20 couplet alternatives, and two alternative parallel routes to US 101 for local access. Anyone interested in providing comments or information to the Traffic Advisory Council is invited to join the public hearing.

Meeting adjourned: 5:28



Lisa Ely, Recorder
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