

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

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

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

ALSO, PRESENT: Jim Shepherd, Legal Counsel
Sam Jones, VP of Patient Care
Jon Conner, Facilities Director
Lisa Ely, Recorder
Lesley Ogden, MD, CEO
Kathryn Doksum, District Finance Manager
Ursula Marinelli, Foundation Director
Karla Clem, Sr. Development Specialist
Catherine Macnab, Manager Admin. Svcs.

CALLED TO ORDER: Chairperson Ralph Breitenstein, MD, called the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 4:00 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: No members of the public were present for comments.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA ITEMS: Chairperson Ralph Breitenstein, MD, requested confirmation of the meeting agenda. No changes or additions needed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: After review of the January 18, 2022, Regular Board Meeting minutes, Ralph Breitenstein, MD, requested approval with amendment to change the amount from \$1.5M to \$1.25M District match under FEMA Grant Board item.

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

MONTHLY REPORTS/QUARTERLY REPORTS

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Kathryn Doksum, District Finance Manager, presented the January 31, 2022, financial reports for review and approval as follows: Check Register, Balance Sheet, Trend Analysis for the PCHD General Fund, and Trend Analysis for the Debt Service Fund.

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

LEGAL REPORT FROM COUNSEL: Jim Shepherd reported that he received an email from the counsel representing Samaritan in the Neenan flooring matter. Additional contractors and sub-contractors are being added as cross-defendants in this issue. Judge Hogan will not be the arbitrator as some of the subcontractors objected to him and they are discussing a request for a three-arbitrator panel for arbitration, should that occur. Mediation is scheduled for April 14, 2022. Inspection at the hospital was held on Feb. 11, for the repair contractors needed to look at what needs to be done. There are some emergency repairs (temporary, not permanent) to the operating room on Feb. 21.

HOSPITAL REPORT: Dr. Ogden reported that Samaritan Health System (SHS) is watching COVID case counts around the state go down. Slowly but not as rapidly for hospitalizations for COVID patients, which is still impacting the ability to transfer patients to a higher level of care. All hospitals across the state are suffering with staffing shortages and lack of beds. There have been some movement in the long-term care facility bog down, and an inability to discharge patients once their acute hospitalization care is resolved – those care facilities have had many employees out with

COVID. In the hospital, there is continued watch over the number of boarders, which are patients waiting for a bed in the institution or who need transfer to another institution. Hopes are to see normality at the end of March. The hospital continues to work with the OHA crises relief workers, who are helping us out with staffing needs and the hospital continues to make agency requests, in order to have diversification for staffing needs.

In March, SHS will work on getting strategic goals out to site facilities, which will then be shared with departments. These goals include becoming a Highly Reliable Organization, new quality tools, and a focus on financials.

Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital continues to move forward with the Coastal Samaritan Treatment & Recovery Services (STARS) facility to find out who the health district can be involved with and what kind commitment they can make – a possible way to line up partners and discuss grants, fundings and capabilities.

Newport News-Time recognized the Best Medical Practice as Samaritan Toledo Clinic; Best Health Care Provider for Victoria Bassingthwaite at Samaritan Toledo Clinic; Best Nurse was awarded to Monica Warner, RN, with Samaritan Evergreen Hospice in Lincoln County.

The News Guard awarded Best Hospital to Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital; Best Medical Clinics was awarded to Lincoln City, Depoe Bay, and Waldport; and Best Podiatrist was awarded to Darrell Prins, DPM, with Samaritan Coastal Clinic in Lincoln City.

In addition, Dr. Ogden also reviewed the January Samaritan Pacific Health Services (SPHS) Quality & Service Excellence statistics for the following: Inpatient, Emergency Room, Primary Care Clinics, Specialty Clinics, Support Services, Community Partnership, Sustainability, and Employee Engagement.

SYSTEM UPDATE: Not available.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS: Jon Conner informed the Board the site visit on Feb. 11, was with Neenan's legal counsel, several experts and the general contractor who is creating a bid. Monday the repairs will be done in operating rooms one and two. This is just the immediate tripping hazard area that will be repaired.

Thursday will be finish work for direct outdoor air supply equipment that needs to be installed on the roof. Also waiting for some doors (two temporary hung, but not exact finish). After these projects are complete, Samaritan can receive the release of retainage.

Regarding the STARS program: Two architects who worked Samaritan on the Lebanon project will provide a feasibility study. Discussion with the City of Newport indicated there might be some improvements at that site required – storm drainage and street improvements. However, there might be some urban renewal assistance funds available.


BOARD ITEMS/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- **Resolution 22-03:** Purchase of Property located at 5840 NW Biggs Street Newport, for a STARS facility was presented to the Board for review.

Chairperson Ralph Breitenstein, MD, requested a motion to approve Resolution 22-03 as presented. Aimee Thompson moved to approve. Chris Carson seconded. Motion passed with unanimous voice vote.

- **Board Retreat/Work Session:** Dr. Breitenstein, MD, presented the Board with a tentative agenda for a board retreat/work session for the board of directors, which is slated for Wednesday, March 9, from 1 to 5 p.m. Additional topics for discussion were added. The Center for Health Education would be ideal if COVID restrictions have been lifted.
- **Website update:** Aimee Thompson shared with the Board that she, Ursula, Lisa Ely and Lisa Gray recently met regarding the webpage update, which included discussions about the district's logo, photos and content.

Meeting adjourned: 5:09 p.m.



Lisa Ely, Recorder
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