

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

Tuesday, December 19, 2023

- PRESENT:** Chris Carlson, Vice-Chairperson
Ralph Breitenstein, MD, Member at Large
David Long, MD, Secretary
Lola Jones, Treasurer
- ALSO, PRESENT:** Kathryn Doksum, District Finance Manager
Karla Clem, Executive Director PCHD Foundation
Jon Connor, Facilities Director
Lesley Ogden, CEO
Jim Shepherd, Legal Counsel
Georgia Fisher, Facilitator/Recorder
- ABSENT:** Aimee Thompson, Chairperson

CALLED TO ORDER: Vice-Chairperson Chris Carlson called the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 4:03 p.m.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA ITEMS: Vice-Chairperson Chris Carlson, requested confirmation of the meeting agenda. There were no requested changes to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: After review of the November 21, 2023, regular board meeting minutes there were no requested changes.

Vice-Chairperson Chris Carlson requested a motion to approve the November 21, 2023, regular Board meeting minutes. Ralph Breitenstein, MD moved to approve. David Long, MD seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

MONTHLY/QUARTERLY REPORTS:

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Kathryn Doksum, District Finance Manager presented the November 2023 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.

Vice-Chairperson Chris Carlson requested a motion to approve the November 2023 financials as presented. Ralph Breitenstein, MD moved to approve. David Long, MD seconded. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL: Jim Shepherd, Legal Counsel noted this is the last meeting he will attend as legal counsel. He will be working with Aimee Thompson and Carrie Connelly at Local Government Law Group to transition from Minor, Bandonis & Haggerty as of January 1, 2024.

STARS FUNDRAISING REPORT: Karla Clem gave the STARS Fundraising report highlights included:

- An additional commitment from Lincoln City for \$100,000 and a private gift for \$30,000 has been received for total commitment to date of \$10,412,00.
- Additional information that the Oregon Health Authority asked for has been submitted and we have requested a meeting with their executive team and are waiting for a response.

WATER RESILIENCY PROJECT: Ralph Breitenstein, MD, gave an update on the Water Resiliency Project and highlights included:

- In January there will be a meeting with the City of Newport to bring the new plans to have the tank placed on hospital campus. Jon Connor has meet with the neighbors to let them know that we are looking to put the tank on the hospital campus and letting them know that we will keep them updated on the progress.

CONSTRUCTION/FACILITIES REPORT: Jon Connor, Facilities Director gave a report and the highlights included:

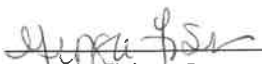
- STARS – Gerding will be on site in January and permits have been obtained.

HOSPITAL REPORT: Lesley Ogden, CEO gave the CEO report the highlights were as follows:

- Newport, Oregon was recently touted as one of the “13 Best Small Towns in the Pacific Northwest for Retirees” by WorldAtlas. It was noted that “Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital is a fully accredited complex with a compassionate staff skilled in pulmonary care and rehab, cancer treatment plans, and endocrinology.”
- The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) designated us a Birthing-Friendly hospital. A new icon will be displayed on CMS’s Care Compare online tool that identifies hospitals and health systems that participate in a statewide or national perinatal quality improvement collaborative program and that implement evidence-based care to improve maternal health. The federal government has recently put this in place to increase and further ensure access to high-quality maternity care. All five of SHS hospitals have obtained this designation (only 38 of 61 hospitals were selected in Oregon) and this signifies that the labor and delivery department is dedicated to evidence-based practices, patient-centered care, safety and quality, and compassionate and respectful care.
- In October SPCH and SEIU came to an agreement that was ratified by a supermajority of local SEIU members. Some of the key points included:
 - Service Contract Across the Board (ATB) increases of 9.5% in 2023 and Technical Contract Across the Board (ATB) increases of 7% in 2023
 - ATB of 4.5% effective beginning of pay period following March 1, 2024, and ATB of 3.75% effective beginning of pay period following March 1, 2025
 - A range of selective increases for employees in various positions in both contracts
 - The combination of ATB and selective increases means all SEIU employees will make \$17.75/hour or more
 - Participation in the Joint Training and Education Trust Fund, starting in 2025, will give SEIU members expanded access to educational opportunities beyond what SHS currently provides
 - Increase to trainer pay from \$1.50 to \$1.75/hour and an increase to on-call pay from \$3.75 to \$5.25/hour
 - Across the Board (ATB) increases go into effect the first pay period following contract effective dates of March 1, 2023. SEIU members saw these changes reflected on their December 11 paycheck and will receive a retroactive payment on their December 25 paycheck
- The ground ambulance project with LifeFlight debuted on December 18 with one full 24/7/365 ambulance crew serving both coastal hospitals. They are continuing to work to get another dedicated crew in place after the first of the year. Their quarters are in the Bayview Building. This service will ensure our patients will receive timely and safer interfacility transport services.
- The three big projects for 2024 are the flooring replacement project, Coastal STARS project, and the Surgical Robot project.

Lesley Ogden, CEO also reviewed the 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, Employee Engagement.

Meeting adjourned: approximately 4:40 p.m.



Georgia Fisher, Recorder
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David Long, MD
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