

PACIFIC COMMUNITIES HEALTH DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Tuesday, November 19, 2024

PRESENT: Aimee Thompson, Chairperson
David Long, MD, Secretary
Lola Jones, Treasurer
Ralph Breitenstein, MD, Member at Large
Chris Carlson, Member

ALSO, PRESENT: Kathryn Doksum, District Finance Manager
Karla Clem, Executive Director PCHD Foundation
Carrie Connelly, Legal Counsel
Jon Connor, Facilities Director
Catherine Macnab, Facilitator/Recorder
Jane Russell, COO SPCH
Lesley Ogden, CEO SPCH
Sam Jones, VP of PCS SPCH
Signe Grimstad, Grimstad and Associates
Doug Boysen, CEO SHS

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

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA ITEMS: Aimee Thompson, Chairperson, requested confirmation of the meeting agenda. A request was made to add the 2024 630 Audit Report to the agenda.

630 AUDIT REPORT: Signe Grimstad presented the 2024 630 Audit report. Approval of the report to occur at the December meeting.

INVITATION FOR CITIZEN COMMENTS: There were no citizens present at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: After review of the October 15, 2024, regular Board meeting minutes there were no requested changes.

Aimee Thompson, Chairperson requested a motion to approve the October 15, 2024, regular Board meeting minutes. Ralph Breitenstein, MD moved to approve. David Long, MD seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

CHE CHARGES: Jane Russell discussed that when the CHE was set up it was not be charged for health related and not charging activities. We have not been charging and are incurring costs for cleaning and set up/take down of the conference rooms. After review Jane has identified opportunities to cover the costs of the meeting rooms and increase utilization. A recommendation to charge for events and open the CHE to use outside of health-related events. In comparison the rate would be comparable to the rates in the community. Rates will be set according to capacity and by half/full day usage. There is no document identified that delineates how the conference rooms can be utilized or charged for. The hospital runs and staffs the CHE. There is already a charge associated with utilizing the kitchen and supplies.

MONTHLY/QUARTERLY REPORTS:

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Kathryn Doksum, District Finance Manager presented the October 2024 financial reports. The Board reviewed the financials that were in the packet including the Check Register, Balance Sheet, Trend Analysis for the PCHD General Fund and Trend Analysis for the Debt Service fund.

Aimee Thompson, Chairperson requested a motion to approve the October 2024 financials as presented. David Long, MD, moved to approve. Lola Jones, seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL: Carrie Connelly, Legal Counsel gave a report and the highlights included:

- Meeting with Dig Deep this Friday.

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

- Flooring on phase 19 and so far, there have been no issues. Taking the next week off. 2 weeks off after Christmas then move to the 1st floor surgery at the beginning of January.
- STARS – requested leadership change from Gerding. Schedules are coming back in alignment. The building can be wrapped up with temporary power waiting for the final connection. Biggs street will be rocked before Christmas.
- Water resiliency – meeting on Friday with Dig Deep to talk about funding. Met with OEM to discuss reimbursement requests process.
- Housing project – Geotech report back today with liquefaction concerns with the sand. Mitigation methods would include driving piling into the slabs.

NEWPORT CITY CENTER REVITALIZATION: Ralph Breitenstein, MD

- During the last Revitalization meeting couplets and 101 changes were discussed and it was suggested moving the northbound lanes to 9th St. in front of the hospital. The volunteers completed a study regarding crossings of 9th street. In general, there are more advantages to the couplet than the revitalization of the downtown area. There was a suggestion that a permanent covered area would be preferable for the farmer's market. A decision is anticipated in April with a short couplet option.

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

- Threat level for cyberthreats have increased in October. Polsinelli and Beasley companies are working with SHS to prepare for potential cyber security events with a recent drill on how SHS staff would be paid if an event occurred with Peoplesoft.
- Masking requirements have lifted in patient care areas effective October 23rd due to masking triggers not being met.
- Baxter anticipates that some types of fluids shipments may increase in December, but we continue to be in full conservation mode. Due to our conservation efforts, we have decreased use by 30%. There have not been any cancellations of surgical procedures so far.
- The 1010 building clinics are being brought back into the hospital.

Lesley Ogden, CEO also reviewed the Samaritan Pacific Health Services Quality & Service Excellence statistics for the following: Inpatient, Emergency Room, Primary Care Clinics, Specialty Clinics, Support Services, Community Partnership, Sustainability, Employee Engagement.

SHS Update: Doug Boysen, SHS CEO gave the SHS CEO report, the highlights were as follows:

- Finances – it has been a very tough year. We are negative this year and will not be able to make budget and this is occurring across the state with most hospital systems in the red.
- The Medicare advantage plan for SHS has cost SHS due to larger growth numbers and SHS being the only

Medicaid payor in our communities. What the state decides to do with Medicaid will hurt or help us. GME expense reimbursements will be favorable.

- Cy Johnson is starting as the GSR CEO.
- GSR needs more beds and there is space to add about 22 beds between two areas.
- Santiam conversations continue with definitive agreements in place and the application with the state being submitted.
- SPCH leadership and PCHD board collaboration has been a very positive relationship.
- Cost savings plan was implemented in September, with some layoffs occurring across the system.

Meeting adjourned at 5:32pm.



Catherine Macnab, Recorder
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David Long, MD
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