

**HUMBOLDT GENERAL HOSPITAL  
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MARCH 4, 2019 MEETING  
SARAH WINNEMUCCA CONFERENCE ROOM**

**BOARD PRESENT:**

JoAnn Casalez, Chairman  
Michelle Miller, Secretary  
Bill Hammargren, Member  
Jennifer Hood, Member  
Gene Hunt, Member  
Ken Tipton, County Comm. Member

Kent Maher, Legal Counsel

**BOARD ABSENT:**

None

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Karen Cole, Interim CEO  
Sandi Lehman, CFO  
Darlene Bryan, CNO  
Sean Burke, EMS Director  
Mike Bell, IT Director  
Duane Grannis, Maintenance Director  
Robyn Dunkhorst, RN, ED Director  
Lorrie Meiron, OB Manager  
Theresa Bell, MM Manager  
Penny Begay, HIM Manager  
Kim Plummer, Controller  
Alicia Wogan, Executive Assistant  
Rachel Meiron, Materials Management  
Jennifer Slovernick, Social Worker

**MEDICAL STAFF PRESENT:**

Shouping Li, MD  
C. Robert Westling, MD

**GUESTS:**

Ashley Maden (Humboldt Sun), Judy Adams (Auxiliary Member), Mille Custer, Susan Rorex (Auxiliary Member), Nicole Maher (Public Relations Director), Lewis Trout, Lola Matteoni, Lino Matteoni, Santo Abbate, Lawana Abbate, Heather Robie, Debra Gay and Les Martin.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Board chairman Casalez called the March 4, 2019 board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Lewis Trout stated he and his wife have been patients of Dr. Li for several years due to his cardiology specialty and said Li should be retained as he is compassionate, thoughtful and prefers to use nonmedicinal procedures when possible.

Santo Abbate said he and his wife Lawana have been patients of Dr. Li for many years and we need Li in the community because he is very capable.

Heather Robie said she was present on the behalf of her father, Richard Robie, and read a prepared statement from him indicating that Dr. Li is professional, well informed and an asset to the community and is deserving of support.

Lola Matteoni state she has been with Dr. Li for eleven years, he has helped her stay out of the hospital. Without Li she does not think she would be here today.

Theresa Bell, HGH Purchasing Manager, said Dr. Li is very respectful, runs a tight ship, manages his clinic well and is a great person to work with.

Lawana Botkay said she has been a patient of Dr. Li for ten years and commented on the great assistance that Li has provided her and said he needs to stay in the community.

Les Martin, a retired veterinarian, said he has been a patient of Dr. Li for several years and Li is a really good doctor, he is nice and caring and Martin recommends that he stay.

#### **BUSINESS ITEMS-OTHER REPORTS:**

**1. Hospital Administration / District Administration / review and evaluation of the services of Shouping Li, MD, as a District FP physician / proposals, terms and conditions of the continued employment or separation from employment of Shouping Li, MD as a District FP physician, including, but not limited to, termination, suspension, reprimand, mentoring, retention, or "no action," and authorization to execute any document relating to terms and conditions of the continued employment or separation from employment (a closed session may be held to consider character, alleged misconduct, professional competence, and physical or mental health pursuant to NRS 241.030) / Board of Trustees/ Administration**

Motion by board chairman Casalez and second by board member Hood to table this agenda item because there is insufficient information to make a decision and the board should wait until the sentencing outcome is known before taking action. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. District Administration / review and evaluation of the services of B. Leonard Perkinson, MD, as a District FPOB physician / proposals, terms and conditions of the continued employment or separation from employment of B. Leonard Perkinson, MD as a District FPOB physician, including, but not limited to, termination, suspension, reprimand, mentoring, retention, or "no action," and authorization to execute any document relating to terms and conditions of the continued employment or separation from employment (a closed session may be held to consider character, alleged misconduct, professional competence, and physical or mental health pursuant to NRS 241.030) / Board of Trustees**

Motion by board chairman Casalez and second by board member Miller to go into closed session to discuss the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence, and physical or mental health of B. Leonard Perkinson, MD, a District FPOB physician, pursuant to NRS 241.030. Proof of service has been made. Board member Hood advised the Chairman and other members of the board that she will be abstaining from the discussion and action on this agenda item because of her commitment in a private capacity to the interest of the named person. Motion carried with board chairman Casalez and board members Miller, Hammargren, Hunt and Tipton voting aye.

Following the closed session, the board went back into open session to take action. A motion was made by board member Hunt and second by board member Hammargren to accept the resignation of B. Leonard Perkinson, MD., a District FPOB physician, effective March 3, 2019 and authorize the board chairman to execute any documentation relating to the resignation from employment. Motion carried with board chairman Casalez and board members Miller, Hammargren, Hunt and Tipton voting aye and board member Hood abstaining due to her commitment in a private capacity to the interest of B. Leonard Perkinson, MD.

#### **TRUSTEE COMMENTS-STAFF REPORTS:**

There were no comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no comments.

Board chairman Casalez adjourned the March 4, 2019 meeting of the Humboldt County Hospital District Board of Trustees at 6:06 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

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JoAnn Casalez, Board Chairman

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Alicia Wogan, Executive Assistant