

The regular Board of Commissioners meeting opened on June 20, 2019 at 1:05 pm in the Board Conference Room of Lincoln County Hospital District #3 by Commissioner Rox Ann Sherwood. Attending the meeting were Commissioners, Deral Boleneus, Shara Coffman, Sue Els, Gerald Krause, and Gene Smith. Excused was Laura Riendeau

Also attending: Superintendent – Tyson Lacy; CCO – Jennifer Larmer; Timothy O’Connell – CFO, Human Resources Manager – Becky Bailey

Additions/Changes to the agenda: Tyson Lacy would like to add discussion about Commissioner applications for Deral Boleneus’s seat.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – None

**GUESTS**- None

**QUALITY IMPROVEMENT** – No Report

**BOARD EDUCATION-**

AHA Trustee’s Guide to Population Health- The Board watched the AHA video and discussed the content.

**OLD BUSINESS** –

BHT/NWRHN/WRHC –

BHT- Tyson Lacy updated the Board that the District is focusing on community partnerships. The District has been waiting for a contract, which was received and now Tyson and the Officer team have been working to get clarifications on some of the language. They are held up on developing and implementing an IT strategy (section is a minimum state requirement, but BHT is not planning on moving forward with it). The District will get a letter stating there will not be a requirement to do the IT strategy component. At the time of signature, the District is eligible for monetary incentive. Tyson also provided an updated on how the District is performing. Focus at this time is looking at prescribers of opioids and narcam as a county wide collaboration to include Odessa Memorial Hospital and Behavioral Health New Alliance.

WRHC- Tyson shared that the collaborative is currently working on recruitment of a new director. Work is continuing on logistics with delegated payer credentialing, virtual scribes, and biomed engineering.

Caravan ACO -- Jennifer Larmer discussed a the progress the District is making for the required measurements from Caravan Health. She informed the Board that it was decided to terminate the contract with Caravan Health at year one. The District provided the mandatory six month termination notice.

Facility Updates – Timothy O’Connell presented on the Clinic build and discussed the continued plans for the Clinic build. Tim presented three roof line proposals for the Board to consider.

They reviewed the proposals, discussed the pros and cons to each proposal. The Board voted five in favor and one abstained to move forward with the gable roof.

Tim also informed the Board that it was determined that the best course of action for DEXA equipment and providing this service to the community is to purchase a new DEXA scanner.

Strategic Plan – Tyson shared that Dr. Davidson was provided notice of the District's intent to not renew her contract. Meetings are taking place with surgical staff to coordinate her transition in September.

Tyson also updated the Board on the following provider recruitment details:

Dr. Teherani will start clinic in August. He will be a visiting provider to our facility.

Dr. Kohlmeier is expected to join the District team in July.

Dr. Ruperal is scheduled for his oral board exam in July. In August he will take the written section of his board exam in August. When this is complete, he will be able to begin the application process to receive his Washington physician license.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Applicants—Tyson shared that the District posted the announcement of Deral Boleneus' planned vacancy. So far the District has received two applications, Dale Swain and Gay Gouk.

Clinical Programs-- Jennifer Larmer shared that the graduating NAC students had their pinning ceremony. She also added that the program has a full class for 2019-2020 school year.

Jennifer informed the Board that the District is working with Brenden Davis, DMD, to provide dental services for extended care patients in house. He is from Ellensburg and covers the Ritzville area so he has agreed to extend his services to the District.

Jennifer discussed the progress of implementing a Medication Assisted Treatment Program. Caleb Holtzer presented at Medical Staff and there are three providers willing to explore the program and get the training. UW may also work with us to make this program success.

Legislative Report – Susan Els referred to Tyson. Tyson shared that a balanced billing structure was proposed – any provider out of network will be set a rate at the median rate of those that are in contract in the that geological network. Tyson fears this bill will disincentive insurance companies to decide to not put anyone in network. Tyson encouraged the group to reach out to Senator Murray- and indicate that it is best for hospitals to negotiate through arbitration much like Washington State currently has in place.

Corporate Compliance – Tim shared that the committee met last month for working on policies. Tim discussed that there was new legislature requiring revisions to the Charity Care policy. Tim reviewed the change and answered questions.

**Resolution 19-03** MOTION was made by Susan Els to accept and implement the changes made to the Charity Care Policy and Gerald Krause seconded. Motion carries.

**FINANCIAL**

May 2019 Income Statement (Attachment A) – Timothy O’Connell reviewed the details and answered questions.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Vouchers and Warrants –

- May 2019; A/P Warrants #156128 through 156624 for \$2,201,418.73 Electronic Vouchers; #000275-000277 for \$4,170.40
- May 2019 Payroll Warrants; #058714-058722 for \$6,649.00
- May 2019 Transfers to Collection & Bad Debt; Clinic - \$3,019.69, Hospital \$9,911.86.
- May 2019 Charity Care Adjustments; Clinic \$3,112.59, Hospital \$19,075.05

Credentials – None

Minutes of the Previous Meeting – Minutes were reviewed and there are no changes.

Consent Agenda – **MOTION** to approve the May Consent Agenda was made by Gerald Krause and seconded by Gene Smith. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT** – **MOTION** to adjourn the May meeting was made by Susan Els and seconded by Deral Boleneus. Motion carried.

Meeting closed at 3:17 pm.

The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, July 18, 2019 at 1:00 pm.

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Board Chairman

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Secretary