

The regular Board of Commissioners meeting opened on August 15, 2019 at 1:03 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, Gerald Krause, Gene Smith, and Laura Riendeau. Excused was Susan Els.

Also attending: Superintendent – Tyson Lacy; CCO – Jennifer Larmer; Timothy O’Connell – CFO, Human Resources Manager – Becky Bailey; Patient Safety Manager – Cheryl Nelson; Social Services Worker—Margaret Cureton.

Additions/Changes to the agenda: none

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – none

**GUESTS**- none

**QUALITY IMPROVEMENT** – Cheryl Nelson introduced Margaret Cureton, Social Services Worker. Margaret covered her quality metrics that she is tracking. She is tracking the use of patient medications and treatment for anxiety, depression, etc. She explained the importance for providers to prescribe these medications appropriately and try to utilize non-pharmaceutical interventions prior to prescribing medications.

**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 indicated at there has not been new movement within BHT. Organizations are beginning their work on metrics. Tyson reminded the board that our major metrics include care coordination, opioid abuse, and integrating behavioral health.

NWRHN- Tyson shared that he was asked to listen in on a call of other hospitals trying to pursue a joint agreement for healthcare benefits. Tyson shared that it would take a large rate decrease to get the District out of the PEBB. He also indicated that Jac Davies, executive director of NWRHN have been invited to sit in on BHT board. Tyson further discussed that HCA and state collaboratives are meeting to discuss payment models. HCA is trying to find out the long term strategy for the ACH’s. They are an integral part in healthcare design. How can the payment structure be realigned to allow the ACH’s to be aligned? There is concern about how the funding will be applied, i.e. there is risk of how funding will be distributed. Their specific rural focus would be an issue because the volume is in the large populations such as Spokane County. That should be the focus because rural county numbers good/negative does not have a large impact on the actual metric outcomes.

WRHC- Tyson shared that Summit Pacific experienced a department of health survey. The pharmacy inspection accumulated to 47 citations. Regulatory wise, the Board of Pharmacy is

volatile right now because here have been multiple changes of leadership. The WRHC is going to gather a pharmacy group to prepare for future surveys. The WRHC is looking at Multi-Care to partner for telehealth services etc. Clinically integrated network of providers through Multi-Care, it may not be beneficial for LHD due to our closer relationship with Providence on the East side of the State. Tyson also updated the Board that the vacant Executive Director for WRHC will be filled soon. The committee is currently looking at four candidates.

Caravan ACO -- Jennifer Larmer reviewed the 2019 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Scorecard and answered questions. (Attachment A)

Facility Updates – Timothy O’Connell provided an update for the Clinic. He shared that information has been sent to the cost estimator based on the market. We are still waiting for the land survey. He indicated that the land purchase should be finalized by March 2020 to keep the project moving forward. He also shared that our project consultant plans to send emails to contractors to gauge interest.

Tim shared that the hospital admitting office and Human Resources office is getting new flooring. The business office is complete. He also shared that flooring in OR is going to be replaced to remove flooring that requires waxing.

#### Strategic Plan –

Tyson updated the board on the status of Dr. Ruparel. Dr. Ruparel is in town to begin the orientation phase to prepare for his final arrival. His plans are to move in September and begin work in November.

Tyson also reminded the Board of physician contract review which will begin in March. A fair market value assessment will be completed prior to contract negotiation.

Board Candidates- Tyson shared that candidates, Howard Nelson and Donna Reinbold have both filed for Deral Boleneus vacancy.

Department of Health- Tyson indicated that the District received a reproductive health worksheet for hospitals to fill out and provide clarification for what type of reproductive health services hospitals provide. September 1 is the deadline to have it completed. Tyson discussed the requirements that the hospital has to meet. It is his understanding the NBMC is exempt for filing because they are under a different license.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Clinical Programs--

Jennifer Larmer reviewed and shared details on the Press Ganey medical practice report for our Clinics. (Attachment B)

Jennifer also shared that Gabrielle Chain, Clinic Manager has submitted her resignation for August 23. This position will be posted to fill this vacancy.

Jennifer also shared that we have contracted Dr. Brenden Davis, DDS, to provide dental care to our extended care patients.

Legislative Report – Tyson indicated that he was a part of a meeting with WSHA’s John Flank, and Representative Cathy McMorris Rodgers. They met with hospitals to talk about the legislative session in D.C, especially about surprise billing. There isn’t a major impact to the District. The group also talked about behavioral health funding and access to new clinicians. The workforce shortages have been very impacted and there is a push for work force development.

Corporate Compliance – Tim shared that he reached out to WHRC compliance group to learn more about HIPAA training for other Districts. Average length of training is about 30 minutes. Other facilities indicated that they don’t require providers to complete the same training.

**Break 3:15 pm**

**Resume 3:32 pm**

## **FINANCIAL**

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

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### Vouchers and Warrants –

- July 2019; A/P Warrants #156972 through 157317 for \$2,251,583.18 Electronic Vouchers; #000281-000283 for \$2,469.43
- July 2019 Payroll Warrants; #058739-058759 for \$11,376.86
- July 2019 Transfers to Collection & Bad Debt; Clinic - \$691.54, Hospital \$8,972.65.
- July 2019 Charity Care Adjustments; Clinic \$7,436.57, Hospital \$12,044.34

Credentials – Christopher Montague, Consulting Type I, Pathology

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

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

**ADJOURNMENT** – **MOTION** to adjourn the July meeting was made by Laura Riendeau and seconded by Shara Coffman. Motion carried.

Meeting closed at 4:15 pm.

The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 1:00 pm.

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Board Chairman

Secretary