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Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
Minutes
May 26, 2021 – 1:00 pm
Teleconference Only

These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcription of the proceedings and discussions associated with the business of the board's agenda; rather, what follows is a summary of the order of business and general nature of testimony, deliberations and action taken.

1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Jeanne Utterback called the regular meeting to order at 1:01 pm on the above date.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Jeanne Utterback, President
Beatriz Vasquez, PhD, Vice President
Tom Guyn, MD, Secretary
Abe Hathaway, Treasurer
Tami Vestal-Humphry, Director

STAFF PRESENT:
Louis Ward, CEO
Ryan Harris, COO
Keith Earnest, CCO
Travis Lakey, CFO
Val Lakey, ED of CR & BD
Amanda Ponti, Clinic Manager
Tracy Geisler, MHF Executive Director
Jessica DeCoito, Board Clerk

ABSENT:
Candy Detchon, CNO (working the floor in the ED)

2 CALL FOR REQUEST FROM THE AUDIENCE - PUBLIC COMMENTS OR TO SPEAK TO AGENDA ITEMS: NONE

3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion/second carried; Board of Directors accepted the minutes of April 28, 2021.

Guyn, Vasquez
Guyn-Y
Hathaway-Y
Humphry-Y
Utterback-Y
Vasquez-Y

4 Introduction of Mayers Healthcare Foundation Executive Director Tracy Geisler: Tracy has been with us for some time but with a different role as a Pharmacy Technician. She has a big background in IT, Marketing and Sales and that fits the bill for what we need at the Mayers Healthcare Foundation. Already taking part in local community foundations like the Burney Fall River Education Foundation. Welcome!

5 DEPARTMENT/OPERATIONS REPORTS/RECOGNITIONS

5.1 A motion/second carried; Kristy Blevins was recognized as April Employee of the Month. Resolution 2021-10. Kudos to the extra work taken on during the last year.

Vasquez, Hathaway
Guyn-Y
Hathaway-Y
Humphry-Y
Utterback-Y
Vasquez-Y

5.2 Mayers Rural Health Clinic Update: Going forward, we will be able to provide more statistics and analytics of the clinic with providers, revenues, etc. EPIC is very inclusive to everything we could want and need in the Clinic. Unfortunately, without our CLIA and finalizing our RHC License, we can't bill for everything just yet.

6 BOARD COMMITTEES

6.1 Finance Committee

6.1.1 **Committee Report:** Met with Surgery, Business Office, Patient Access and HIM. A lot of great discussion about the EPIC program the Clinic uses. Surgeries were down but our inventory didn't affect us. Patient Access is working with patients to help with reduction of costs and programs available. Vouchers for District Members were discussed – Administration is working with Modoc and Southern Humboldt with regards to the voucher system. HIM update included a discussion about what they do – coding all services so insurance can be billed.

6.1.2	April 2021: Price comparison spreadsheet was shown to reference what other hospitals are charging versus where we are at, and we are less than others. Retail Pharmacy: consultant came up and worked with Keith and the team at the Pharmacy. Strategies were provided for inventory control like not keeping high cost drugs on the shelves. 340B was a huge component for the consultant to focus on. 340B is really for those folks needing routine medications. Re-negotiation is an option for our 340B contract with great talking points provided by the consultant.	<i>Hathaway, Humphry</i>	<i>Guyn-Y Hathaway-Y Humphry-Y Utterback-Y Vasquez-Y</i>
6.2	Strategic Planning Committee Chair Vasquez		
5.2.1	SP Planning Session: Scheduled to June 23 rd at 1:00 pm at Intermountain Fairgrounds Heritage Room		
6.3	Quality Committee Chair Utterback		
6.3.1	Committee Meeting Report – Draft minutes of meeting were attached. JCO Certification versus Star Rating discussion will take place at the SP Session on June 23 rd .		
7	NEW BUSINESS		
7.1	Policy & Procedures:	<i>Hathaway, Vasquez</i>	<i>Guyn-Y</i>
	1. <i>Board Compensation & Reimbursement: confirm this matches with the most recent copies of bylaws</i>		<i>Hathaway-Y Humphry-Y</i>
	2. <i>Disposal of Surplus or Excess Properties: clarification on the special district law with regards to</i>		<i>Utterback-Y Vasquez-Y</i>
8	ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS		
8.1	ED of Community Relations & Business Development: SB 213 Worker’s Comp: have some extra time to work in opposition on this bill. AB 650 did take some amendments: Public hospitals are now included in this bill and past payments are included as credit. \$7 billion price tag for hospitals statewide. Seismic Bill is in budget process, and hoping for 2 nd round on trailer bills around June. PPE Stockpile for 30 days of supply – we submitted a report of PPE burn rate and we should be getting a 30-day supply. Marketing is focused on Clinic marketing. Key point messaging for the demolition project. Kudos to Val on the information shared and the work done on the messaging for the demolition project. Need to formulate a plan to market with Telemed providers.		
8.2	Chief’s Reports		
8.2.1	CFO: FY22 Budget will look rough compared to previous 5 years of budgets with supplemental payments changing. By FY23, the budget will look more normal.		
8.2.2	CCO: June 10 th EMD will be here to repair and certify the hood. While the hood has been down, we have had Maintenance repaint the room with specialized paint. Clinic refrigerator arrived yesterday 5/25 and temperature monitor arrived today 5/26. Will be in service no later than 5/27. This will allow us to transfer our vaccine clinic down to the Burney clinic. Pfizer vaccination is now good for 30 days rather than the 5 previously noted. COVID Vaccine – first MyTurn Clinic was 5/25 and is more efficient from the nursing aspect. Sign-ups continue to decline but we are seeing sign-ups coming in through MyTurn which has made the turnaround time much quicker. On-site vaccination clinic at the schools was not able to come to fruition but we were able to give information to the schools that was sent home with students. Last planned off site vaccination clinic is scheduled for Johnson Park tomorrow.		
8.2.3	CNO: submitted written report. SNF: have openings for staff and continue to work on in house schooling for the CNA program. Resident openings and actively trying to bring the census up with admissions. 3 new RN’s on Acute floor: one that has been with us for her CNA, LVN and now RN. Huge success story for her and for our Growing Our Own Program.		
8.2.4	COO: Legionella testing has been a huge priority for our team. We are engaged in conversations with engineers to come to a solution. Phase 1: separate the domestic and fire line (in demo project) and chlorinate the system to start fresh. Phase 2: trace fire line and remove dead legs. Phase 3: look at water heaters. Could be all phases. Laundry facility: 60 to 90 days we should be done with the laundry facility rebuild. Patient Volumes for the Clinic are being tracked every day: most provider patient loads are improving but not at a pace we are hoping for. Hospital Admitting can schedule clinic patients as they leave their ER visit. Demo project: scheduled for end of		

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project at October 13th with quite a bit of float to handle issues if they arise. AFL: set to expire on July 17th which requires us to move all departments and folks back to their original locations pre-Covid. This AFL does impact our ICRA barriers and negative air pressure machines. Mock Survey for Acute brought up issues that the Operations team is going to work on. Biggest issue is the air exchanges rate in surgery which trails back to our HVAC units needing to be upgraded.

- 8.2.5 **CEO:** Covid good: 159 tests and 0 positives. Covid bad: county wide we have 16 patients in the hospitals and 1 death today which is the first death we've had in a while. And positivity rate is up in Shasta Co. – we are still in the red and very close to purple. PG&E: able to have a conversation with the new CEO of PG&E with regards to our facility during power shut off events – we have power but not to our HVAC systems – so no AC or heat. Innovative ideas are being researched at PG&E to help with a lot of power shutoffs. Envision contracts for physicians in our ED: looking at our options for coverage in our ER. Met with the Director of ER at Mercy and discussed bringing their providers to our ED for coverage help. Trip to Modoc Medical is planned to learn more about the local voucher program. High School Internship program produced 5 applicants – 2 from Fall River, 2 from Burney and 1 from Big Valley. They are busy throughout the whole facility learning and helping us out. MMHD will Adopt-a-Highway along Highway 299 just outside of McArthur.

9 OTHER INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 9.1 Board Member Message: Price Comparison general statement, Demolition Project update with general schedule, Telemedicine Program, MyTurn for the vaccination program, Clinic update.

10 ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION – 2:36 pm

**10.1 Medical Staff Credentials Government Code 54962
Medical Staff Reappointment**

1. Sean Pitman, MD, Pathology (Shasta Path.)
2. Mark Ramus, MD, Pathology (Shasta Path.)
3. Michael Dillon, MD, Emergency Med. (Envision)

Medical Staff Appointment

1. Sophie Xu Teng, MD, Neurology (UCD)
2. Robert L. Muller, MD, Radiology (vRad)
3. Anne Marie McLellan, DO, Radiology (vRad)
4. Alap R. Jani, MD, Radiology (vRad)
5. Ronald D. Alexander, DO, Radiology (vRad)
6. Desiree Levyim, MD, Neurology (Telemed2U)

Motion made, seconded and carried to approve Medical Staff Credentials.

10.2 Pending Litigation Government Code 54596.9: Upcoming Mediation:

11 RECONVENE OPEN SESSION: 2:39 pm

12 ADJOURNMENT: 2:39 pm

Next Regular Meeting: June 23, 2021 at 10:30 am at Intermountain Fairground Heritage Room

I, Jeanne Utterback, Board of Directors President, certify that the above is a true and correct transcript from the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Mayers Memorial Hospital District

Jeanne Utterback
Board Member

Jessica DeCorfo
Board Clerk