The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Whidbey Island Public Hospital District was called to order at 7:02 am by Board President, Ron Wallin. Present were President Wallin; Commissioner Fey; Commissioner Cammermeyer; Commissioner Anderson; Chief Executive Officer, Geri Forbes; Interim Chief Nursing Officer, Cindy Noonan; Chief Human Resource Officer, Cindy Paget; Chief of Quality and Transformation Officer, Linda Gipson; Chief of Staff, Dr. Nicholas Perera; and several other hospital staff.

**Points of Order**

President Wallin stated the meeting will be audio and video recorded today. President Wallin stated there were no points of order for consent agenda.

**Consent Agenda**

Commissioner Fey made a motion to approve both regular Board meeting minutes from January 9th and February 13th and the vouchers as presented, seconded by Commissioner Anderson. Motion carried. Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense and reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, and have been recorded on a listing which has been made available to the Board. #208749 to #211017 and #3697 to #3706 in the total amount of $7,473,550.19 with Capital equipment vouchers in the amount of $2,420,808.32, motion carries therefore the vouchers are approved for payment in the amount of $9,894,358.51.

**General Public Comments**

- Several employees from the Diagnostic Imaging voiced concerns about the work environment in the department.
Medical Staff Report

A. Chief of Staff Report

Dr. Nick Perera, Chief of Staff reported the following:

- Tele-Psych services Go Live is scheduled for later this month.
- OB Grand Rounds Presentation will be on March 15, 2017

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following policies for approval.

- History and Physical Policy – Being tabled pending further discussion
- Laboratory Reflex Protocol submitted for approval.

Commissioner Cammermeyer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fey to approve Laboratory Reflex Protocol policy as presented. Motion carried.

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following policy for approval.

- Providers Treating Family Policy

Commissioner Cammermeyer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fey to approve Providers Treating Family policy as presented. Motion carried.

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following Credentialing Bylaws for approval.

- Revised Obstetrics/Gynecology Privileges

Commissioner Cammermeyer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fey to approve the Revised Obstetrics/Gynecology Privileges as presented. Motion carried.

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following Credentialing Bylaws for approval.

- Bylaws Revisions for Telemedicine Staff

Commissioner Cammermeyer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fey to approve the Bylaws Revisions for Telemedicine Staff as presented. Motion carried.

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following practitioners for initial appointments:

Hansel Arroyo, MD Consulting
Nicole DiRienzo, MD Consulting
Elton Smith, MD Consulting
Leena Sumitra, MD Consulting
Commissioner Cammermeyer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fey to approve initial consulting staff appointments as presented. Motion carried.

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following advancement for approval:

Somnath Prabhu, MD  
Courtesy

Commissioner Cammermeyer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fey to approve advancement as presented. Motion carried.

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following reappointments:

Heather Good, PA-C  
Advanced Clinical Practitioner

Samantha Lancaster, MD  
Courtesy

Roderick Saxey, MD  
Courtesy

Brian Tryon, MD  
Courtesy

Commissioner Fey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cammermeyer to approve the provisional courtesy staff reappointments as presented. Motion carried.

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following additional privileges:

Chase Simpson, CRNA  
Courtesy

Commissioner Fey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cammermeyer to approve the provisional courtesy staff reappointments as presented. Motion carried.

Staff and Status Reports from Administration

A. Administrative Update

Geri Forbes, CEO reported the following:

- Dr. Jerry Sanders & Karla Jolley attended an annual assembly for Hospice of Palliative Care.

- Aging Mastery – Program that was presented to the Oak Harbor Senior Center that was led by Physical Therapist Jennifer Leslie to work with the aging population to help support and encourage them to be more active and proactive in their own lives. Dr. Fred Wilson also discussed injury prevention such as falls in the aging community at the Oak Harbor Senior Services and Community Methodist church.
• WhidbeyHealth was presented the Antimicrobial Stewardship Program Award from The Department of Health. Only 7 out of 39 critical access hospitals in the state made the honor roll. Thank you to Colleen Klamm.

• WhidbeyHealth Foundation’s first Gala – A Night in Tuscany will be held on May 13th at 5:30pm. Email tayloh@whidbeyhealth.org for more information.

• Polly Harpole Hospital Guild Fundraiser is scheduled for May 4th at 11:30am - 2:00pm and will be held at the Whidbey Golf Club. Tickets are $30.00 and available through the gift shop.

• WhidbeyHealth is bringing more education to managers and staff regarding documentation and laws.

**Finance:**

Ron Telles, CFO discussed and presented the following financials for January 2017:

• Volumes at the clinics are going up.

• ER Visits have been strong. The highest levels over the last 2 years.

• Surgery and outpatient surgeries going up.

• Patient Days highest month within the last 2 years in January.

• Cash Flow dropped but now we are increasing.

**Nursing:**

Cindy Noonan, Interim CNO discussed preparation for the upcoming move.

• Currently working on formulating a plan for the upcoming move such as training staff on new equipment. Staff will also be assigned to support roles to ensure extra hands are available to help move patients.

**Board Items**

• Commissioner Cammermeyer discussed Washington State Board of Health decision to issue a report to the community on the effects of noise exposure on health. Commissioner Cammermeyer highlighted a few bullets points from the report.

• Affordable Care Act discussion w/Representative Rick Larson. Rep. Larson encourages
people who are in fear of losing their medical coverage to email him their stories. So he can tell their stories to people who are unable to have Town Hall meetings.

- Jurassic Parliament Training on Robert Rules of Order was a very good training on keeping Board meetings on track.
- Deadline for applications for vacant hospital commissioner position for District 2 has been extended to April 15th
- Construction is progressing well. The east pod is painted. The central pod is sheet rocked and they are currently moving through the west pod.

**Agenda Items For Next Board Meeting**

President Wallin noted for the next Board meeting:

1) Next Board meeting will be held Monday, April 10th at 7:00 am.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, President Wallin called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Fey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cammermeyer to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 am. Motion carried.