



July 17, 2017

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, President Wallin. Present were President Wallin; Commissioner Fey; Commissioner Cammermeyer; Commissioner Anderson; Commissioner Blankenship. Also present were Chief Executive Officer, Geri Forbes; Chief Financial Officer, Ron Telles (Excused absence); Interim Chief Nursing Officer, Cindy Noonan; Chief Quality & Transformation Officer, Linda Gipson; Chief Human Resource Officer, Cindy Paget; Chief of Staff, Dr. Nicholas Perera; General Counsel, Jake Kempton 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 the Consent Agenda and the vouchers as presented, seconded by Commissioner Cammermeyer. 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. #213863 to #215244 and #3742 to #3747 in the total amount of \$12,203,292.93 with Capital equipment vouchers in the amount of \$3,757,016.25, motion carries therefore the vouchers are approved for payment in the amount of \$15,960,309.18.

General Public Comments

- Community member Cynthia Applegate voiced her concerns regarding the work environment in the Diagnostic Imaging department.



Construction Update – George Senerth gave a brief update on the progress of the new wing. There is a tentative move in date of June 24th. New wing tours will be available immediately following the Board mtg.

Nursing

Cindy Noonan, Interim CNO

- Cindy Noonan introduced Lisa Sanford as the new CNO.
- Lisa Sanford gave a brief description of her background and expressed her excitement about being a part of the WhidbeyHealth team.
- Commissioner Wallin expressed gratitude to Cindy Noonan for stepping in as Interim CNO.

Quality & Patient Safety

Linda Gipson, CQTO

- WhidbeyHealth is engaging in the Medical Incentive Payments system. The requirements have been increasing each year.
- Linda mentioned being willing to update the new Board members on the Accountable Communities of Health Medicaid waiver.
- For a year Linda has been meeting with the Rural Health discussing the Transformation Acceleration Project. The project is to accelerate improvements in practice. A final report has been submitted to the Governor and the Department of Health. Linda offered to provide a copy of the report to Board.
- CMS/DOH surveys will begin sometime after autumn. The surveys occur every 3 years.
- We have been able to establish great relationships with very high powered partners such as the Practice Transformation Hub, Aims Center, Antibiotic Stewardship Program which will



give us access to Infectious Disease Physicians. The Ethics Committee has regrouped and has been given training from The Center for Ethics to better perform ethical consults to patients, family & staff. The patient safety organization called Vizient providing us with educational training for best practice for Quality.

- 3rd and 4th year medical students from Pacific Northwest University Health Sciences will be at WhidbeyHealth.
- Linda discussed the continuing efforts from a health organizations stand point on how to control the opioid problem.

Quality Committee Dashboard Report – QRTLY

Linda Gipson, CQTO

- Linda discussed the data on the Dashboard Report.

Medical Staff Report

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

- Welcome new Chief Nursing Officer, Lisa Sanford, RN

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following Initial Appointments.

Brandt Mohr, MD	Telemedicine
Robert Sharpe, MD	Telemedicine
De An Wang, ARNP	Provisional Advanced Clinical Practitioner
Jane Hemmen, ARNP	Provisional Advanced Clinical Practitioner



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

Dr. Nicholas Perera presented the following Reappointments.

Ian Ch'en, MD	Courtesy
Greta Go, MD	Courtesy
Douglas McKee, MD	Active
Robert Wagner, MD	Active
Maninder Mahal, MD	Active
Lynda Reidling, ARNP	Provisional Advanced Clinical Practitioner

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

Staff and Status Reports from Administration

Administrative Update

Geri Forbes, CEO reported the following:

- Geri thank George and his team for the great work they have done on the new wing.
- Geri thanked Cindy Noonan for the work she has done while she was in the role of Interim CNO.
- Geri read a letter from the Washington Department of Health thanking her for WhidbeyHealth being the first hospital in Washington State to participate in the States Targeting Reduction Infections STRIVE Initiative.
- Geri discussed some of the new CNO Lisa Sanford's accomplishments throughout her career.



- Dr. Mark Coughenour in the MAC Clinic will be retiring.
- MAC unit beds and chairs have been upgraded in the Wound Care room.
- August 19th Tour de Whidbey. Volunteers are needed
- Geri spoke on the ongoing negotiations in the DI department. Geri also spoke about the communication training that was held on July 13th with senior leadership from UCFW21, Pharmacy, Radiology and Administration.

EMS:

EMS Manager Roger Meyer including two other paramedics in the department presented an informational grant proposal to the Board to start up a Community Paramedic Program.

Finance:

Geri Forbes, CEO discussed and presented the following financials for May 2017 in Ron's absence:

- Clinic visits are the same as previous years.
- ER visits are the same as prior years.
- Surgeries have increased. Mostly inpatient surgeries.
- Patient days are high.
- Commissioner Anderson and Commissioner Fey are both on the Finance Committee.

Board Items

- Commissioner Fey discussed how the WSHA retreat was very valuable and informative.
- Commissioner Anderson thanked the hospital for giving him the opportunity to learn more.
- Commissioner Blankenship expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to go the retreat in Chelan.



- Commissioner Wallin commented on some of the struggles at other hospitals from other
- leaders of these hospitals around Washington State that also attended the retreat such as staff
- Issues including hiring and keeping physicians. Commissioner Wallin also discussed that it is a standard practice that follows the RCW to go into Executive Session with the CEO.
- Commissioner Wallin discussed Commissioner Fey's upcoming vacation with the Board and it was decided on who would go in her absence to the committee meetings she attends.

Agenda Items For Next Board Meeting

President Wallin noted for the next Board meeting:

- 1) Next Board meeting will be held Monday, August 14th at 7:00 am.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Commissioner Cammermeyer called for a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 am. Motion carried.