

BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Lower Umpqua Hospital District  
Wednesday, April 26, 2017  
Hospital Conference Room  
7:30 AM

MINUTES

Those Board Members in attendance include Ron Kreskey, president, Leon Bridge, Elizabeth Adamo, and Tamara Szalewski. Others in attendance include Ryan Fowler, Dr. Stan Adkisson, Sheri Aasen, Lori Groves, Laura Birdwell, Steve Miller, hospital attorney, and Jamie Swafford.

I. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTION

Board president, Ron Kreskey, called the meeting to order at 7:30 am and welcomed all present.

II. VISITOR'S AGENDA – none

III. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the Board of Directors meeting minutes dated March 22, 2017

B. Approval of April 2017 expenditures and authorization to set aside for May 2017 expenditures.

**Elizabeth Adamo moved and Tamara Szalewski seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**

IV. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

A. Director of Nursing Services – Tara Blohm

Discussion regarding medical students and the continuing search for RNs and CNAs.

B. Clinic Reports – Sheri Aasen

Sheri reported that DFHC is preparing for an EPIC upgrade in May. Dr. Dilcher is becoming an expert in the new upgrade and will help to train the other providers. RMC is also preparing for a Centric upgrade.

C. Public Relations – Jamie Swafford

Jamie reported that the Health Fair will be September 15<sup>th</sup>. Three providers are scheduled for a photo session on Thursday and their photos will be included in the next issue of Partners in Care newsletter. Discussion followed regarding up-coming activities.

D. Finance Committee – Leon Bridge

Nothing to add to the minutes

E. Medical Staff –Dr. Stan Adkisson

Dr. Adkisson reported that the providers reached a consensus

regarding ordering complicated radiology exams.

F. Financials – Lori Groves

Lori reported that March showed a slight positive net for the month, bringing the District to within \$30,000 of budget. April shows promise of another slight positive net. May and June have traditionally been slower months. Lori reported that she has been working with Sheri to bring the DFHC providers closer to meeting the Medicare cost report requirements. The Business Office have brought Cash up to 23 days and AR is down to 62 days. The first draft of the budget is completed. Discussion followed regarding the amount of time providers spend documenting patient charts. Discussion followed regarding the operating hours of the Walk-in Clinic.

G. Administration – Ryan Fowler

Ryan reported that one potential HR person has been interviewed and another is in the works. Ryan reported that the District was informed by Symetra that they would no longer accept new people into the retirement plan. Symetra will continue to administer the people who are already enrolled, but, are otherwise leaving the retirement business. After reviewing the plan and requesting options, the decision was to leave Northwest Retirement Services and move to Wells Fargo. This may lead to lower administration fees for employees and higher returns on investments. Discussion followed regarding reduction in hours in the radiology department. Ryan reported that the pre-service team should be up and running in about a month.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Reminder: Budget Committee Meeting – Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at noon
- B. Reminder: Employee Breakfast – Thursday, May 11, 2017 from 7:30 to 9:00 am

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION – **Board president, Ron Kreskey adjourned into Executive Session at 7:50 am.**

192.660. (1) ORS 192.610 to 192.690 do not prevent the governing body of a public body from holding executive session during a regular, special or emergency meeting, after the presiding officer has identified the authorization under ORS 192.610 to 192.690 for holding the executive session.

- (2) The governing body of a public body may hold an executive session:
  - (a) To consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.

(f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.

VII. RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE BOARD

The board returned to regular session at 8:00 am. No action was taken. Discussion followed regarding possible changes to the Walk-in Clinic. Discussion followed regarding the State's desire to implement a tax on hospitals. Worst case scenario would cost the District \$1.4 million. Best case would cost an up-front payment to the State, with a reimbursement to the District later in the year.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 am.

APPROVED THIS 24<sup>th</sup> day of MAY, 2017

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Ronald Kreskey, President

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Leon Bridge, Secretary