

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Lower Umpqua Hospital District (LUHD)
Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 7:30 a.m.
Main Conference Room or
Via Teams audio conference call
Dial: 1-323-694-9833
Audio conference ID: 124 229 680#



MINUTES

The Board members in attendance include Ron Kreskey, Chair, Cheryl Young, Vice Chair, Leon Bridge, Treasurer, Karen Bedard, Secretary and Brenda Fraley, Director.

Others in attendance include Stephanie Miller, Ken Landau, Dr. Jason Sargent, Jennifer Green, Jen Levy, Kaley Sweet, Mary Chambers, Deanna Prater, Melissa Cribbins, Hospital Attorney, Renae Mefferd.

Those employees and members of the public joining virtually include John Chivers, Tonya Galliher UFCW 555 Representative, Rhiannon Manicke, and staff from Reedsport Medical Clinic.

I. **CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS**

Board Chair Kreskey called the meeting to order at 7:30 am.

II. **VISITOR'S AGENDA**

No visitors.

III. **CONSENT AGENDA – Approve the following:**

- A. Board of Directors Meeting Agenda May 28, 2025
- B. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes April 23, 2025
- C. Resolution 25-06 Authorization to set aside for June 2025 expenditures
- D. Committee Minutes
 - 1. Comprehensive Quality Committee Consent Agenda – May 14, 2025
 - 2. Financial Advisory Committee Minutes – Mar 25, 2025
 - 3. Medical Staff Credentialing

Motion: Bridge moved to approve the consent agenda; Young seconded. Motion passed (5-0) with the following vote: Kresky – Yes, Young – Yes, Bridge – Yes, Bedard – Yes, Fraley – Yes.

IV. **REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS**

A. **Quality/Risk**

- 1. See report
- 2. *Attended 2025 Critical Access Hospital Quality Workshop*
 - 1) Topics included
 - a) Lean Management
 - b) Direction of DEI
 - 2) Networked with other CAH attendees from 15 other hospitals
 - a) Shared PFAC
 - b) Quality depts structured in other CAHs

B. **Compliance**

- 1. See report

C. **Employee Health/ Infection Control/ Safety**

1. See report
 2. Of note only three cases of employee COVID this year.
- D. Nursing Services
1. See report
 2. Open RN positions increased to 3 as of yesterday; RN resigned and moving for family reasons.
- E. Medical Staff
1. See report
 2. Sarah Jones PA-C resigned with 90-day notice; can absorb panel with Colton Danforth and Dr. Serrano.
 3. ED Dr. Cheaito will take over roles of EMS Director and Trauma Medical Director from Dr Koschel.
- F. Public Relations/Foundation
1. See report
- G. Human Resources
1. See report
- H. Ancillary Services
1. See report
- I. Finance Report and Financials
1. See report
 2. April was another strong month; third month in a row with positive KPI's.
- J. Administrator
1. See report
 2. Medicaid cuts: what happens to Medicaid patients if 10% budget cuts are passed? One solution presented is making it harder to qualify for Medicaid.
 3. Clinic updates
 - 1) As Dr. Sargent shared, Sarah Jones resigned due to a variety of factors, and she is sad to go.
 - 2) Target start date for Saturday Same Day Clinic is June 21st.
 4. Employees of the year: Bill Tollefson and Kaley Sweet
 5. Q1 Above and Beyond winners: Tammy Von Syoc, Anicia Olson, Sierra Stone.
 6. Strategic plan: Improvements as measured by gross charges shine light on where our patients are coming from.
 - 1) Gross charges year over year - LUHD: Our service area = 24% increase; South = 16% increase; North = small decline, not much marketing here to date; East = 48% increase.
 - 2) Gross charges year over year - PCP visits: Our service area = 21% increase; South = basically flat, down 1.7%; North = 24% increase; East = 41% increase. More details will be shared next month.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Policy – Tabled for further review and discussion at a future Special Meeting.
1. A 137 Weapons Control
 2. P 316 Workplace Violence Prevention

- B. Budget Hearing – Wednesday June 25, 2025, 7:30am
- C. Next Board Meeting – Wednesday June 25, 2025, 7:30am

Board Chair Kreskey declared the meeting adjourned at 8:28 am.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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:

- (i) To review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee, or staff member who does not request an open hearing.

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


Board Chair Kreskey called the regular session to order at 8:31 am. No further action was required by the Board.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Kreskey requested a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Bridge moved to adjourn the meeting. Young seconded the motion. Motion passed (5-0) with the following vote: Kresky – Yes, Young – Yes, Bridge – Yes, Bedard – Yes, Fraley - Yes.

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APPROVED THIS 25th day of JUNE 2025,



Ronald Kreskey, Chair



Karen Bedard, Secretary