

Garfield County Public Hospital District No. 1
Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Regular Meeting:
October 4, 2021

Board Attending: Cindy Wolf, Jen Dixon, Steven Cannon and Mike Field. Chris Herres was excused.

Staff Attending: Mat Slaybaugh, Jayd Keener and Caroline Moore.

Public Attending: Erica Stallcop.

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Conflict of Interest Statement: None.

Consent Agenda:

- Board of Commissioners Special Minutes (09/07/21)
- AP Vouchers 406840 – 407039 (09/02/21) – (09/29/21)
- Payroll Vouchers 51827 – 51827 (09/03/21) – (09/17/21)
- Finance Committee Minutes (09/27/21)
- Safety Committee Minutes (09/08/21)
- Medical Staff Committee Minutes (09/16/21/21)
- QAPI Infection and Prevention Committee Minutes (09/23/21)

*Motion was made to approve consent agenda as presented
Moved by Steve Cannon and seconded by Mike Field
Motion approved and passed by vote*

Old Business:

1. COVID-19 Vaccines

The total amount of vaccines given to-date was reported. The COVID and Flu Vaccine Clinic are offered every Friday through mid-December and open two Thursday evenings, one in October and one in December. Dates and times are listed on the GCHD website and Facebook, and walk-ins are welcome. A report on the Pfizer booster criteria and availability was given.

2. USDA Grant Update

The USDA Grant application was submitted for 1 million for an electrical update for the hospital. Group Health Foundation has confirmed \$250,000 towards the project and Premera Empire Health gave \$50,000 last year.

New Business

1. Hospital Foundation

A GCHD Hospital Foundation will be formed under the umbrella of Blue Mountain Community Fund. The foundation will allow businesses and individuals to contribute to future projects through a non-profit fund.

2. Medical Staff Bylaws

The Board performed their annual review of the Medical Staff Bylaws revisions made by the active Medical Staff and all changes were approved.

*Motion was made to approve the Medical Staff Bylaws as presented
Moved by Steve Cannon and seconded by Jen Dixon
Motion approved and unanimously passed by vote*

Committee Reports:

- **Finance Committee**

A summary was given of the September financials, USDA Grant, American Rescue Plan, Provider Relief Fund, InterQual System, new Millennium Salary System, Clinic Matrix, and new patient clinic portal.

- **Medical Staff Committee**

A summary was given on new phone system and new line at the Pataha house, increase in Emergency Department patients and agency staff, Regeneron medication shortage, increase in Lab visits, new Lab Supervisor position, and credentialing/consultant privileges for Dr. Dur to perform ventilation assistance.

- **QAPI and Infection Prevention Committee**

A summary was given on the monthly and quarterly quality measures of each department within the hospital.

- **Safety Committee**

A summary was given on L&I claims, Safe Patient-Handling monthly report, risk analysis update, new quarantine emails, 3rd quarter fire drill, security camera, ED update, swamp coolers installation, approval of sprinkler head testing, negative pressure units, and Safety Walk-Through List.

- **Resident Council**

A summary was given on the mask mandate, activities planned for Halloween Party and coordinating with Chamber of Commerce and funding for a new transportation van with a lift for patients.

- **Governance**

Board members attended the "Bond Levy Election Strategies for Public Hospital District" webinar offered through Association of Washington Public Hospital District. The commissioners were encouraged to attend the "Charity Care" and the Post Pandemic COVID-19 webinars through MRSC. Local meetings are Pomeroy Partners Leadership and the SE Washington Alliance for Health

- **Co-CEO Report**

A report was given on the Department of Health Phase II visitation for the hospital, update for testing and insurance information, ED and ED Overflow Room update, Lab update, and electrical system update, strategic planning from Legato Marketing's debt capacity study, and Allevant Transitional Care update.

Public Comment:

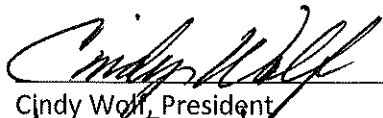
A public comment was given on the availability of COVID-19 resources for local entities.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Executive Session called to order at 7:05 p.m. for 15 minutes.

RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g) to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.


Executive Session adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



Cindy Wolf, President



Jen Dixon, Commissioner



Mike Field, Commissioner



Steve Cannon, Commissioner