

Kittitas Valley Healthcare  
Board of Commissioners  
July 27, 2017  
KVH Conference Rooms A/B

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Liahna Armstrong, Matt Altman, Bob Crowe, Bob Davis, Erica Libenow

KVH STAFF PRESENT: Julie Petersen, Libby Allgood, Carrie Barr, Mandee Olsen, Amy Diaz, Carrie Youngblood, Rhonda Holden

MEDICAL STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Timothy O'Brien, Dr. Don Solberg

1. At 5:00 p.m., President Liahna Armstrong called the regular board meeting to order.

2. **Approval of Agenda:**

**ACTION:** On motion of Bob Crowe and second of Matt Altman, the Board members unanimously approved the agenda.

3. **Consent Agenda:**

**ACTION:** On motion of Bob Crowe and second of Bob Davis, the Board members unanimously approved the Consent Agenda. Erica Libenow announced that the KVH Foundation Board is looking for new Foundation Board members. She asked the Commissioners to notify her or Foundation Director Michele Wurl if they are aware of an interested community person who would have time to serve on the Foundation Board.

4. **Public Comment/Announcements:**

Liahna Armstrong commended the KVH staff for the outstanding care she received recently as an inpatient at the hospital.

5. **Presentations:**

Mandee Olsen presented the Safe Catch clinical award to Andrew Nassis, Physical Therapist, at Home Health and Hospice and the non-clinical award to Jodi Morse and Cody Sorenson, Engineering Techs in the Engineering Department. Julie Petersen announced that KVH Hospice has received the Strategic Health Partners (SHP) Top 5% performer's award for overall satisfaction as measured from the caregiver's point of view.

Amy Fuller, Kittitas County Health Department, gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding Kittitas County Health Rankings and Roadmaps as compared to other Washington State counties. She reported that Kittitas County ranks 15 out of 39 counties overall. Ranking areas compared were morbidity, health behaviors, clinical care, social-economic and physical environment. This information has been valuable for planning healthcare needs for the county.

6. **Reports and Dashboards:**

The Board members reviewed the QI dashboards and summary. Mandee Olsen had the Board members participate in the HCAPS patient satisfaction survey that is given to hospital inpatients.

The Board members reviewed the CEO report with Julie Petersen stating that she shadowed Dr. Birger for several hours during his patient appointments at the internal medicine clinic and it was a great experience. She noted that the clinic needs its own phlebotomy lab in order to better serve the patients. She reported that KVH had purchased a table and attended the recent Life Support event in Cle Elum. She announced that she has been asked to join the Ellensburg Downtown Association as a Board member. Julie reported that a local attorney is assisting with the zoning for the KVH Radio Hill building in order to meet city regulations. She stated that NAC Architects are working with KVH Engineering Director, Mike Severns, regarding building plans.

Carrie Youngblood reported that the next employee opinion survey will be launched on October 16-17. She stated that senior management is looking into if it would be better to join the PEBB for insurance versus being self-insured.

Amy Diaz and senior management updated the Board members regarding strategic planning input they received from employees and key stakeholder groups. They shared draft mission and vision statements as well as focus areas and core values. These items will be shared with KVH employees and key stakeholder groups for final input in August. Julie Petersen stated that the Board will be asked to approve the final strategic plan at the August 24 regular Board meeting.

**ACTION:** On motion of Bob Crowe and second of Davis, the Board members unanimously approved the initial appointments for Dr. Michael Druschel and Ryan Ahr, PA-C, and for reappointments for Dr. Krista Summers, Dr. John Walters, Dr. Gregory Galdino, Dr. Deborah Nautsch, Dr. Kenneth Lindsey, Teresa Beckett, ARNP/PA-C, Jonathan Seabrook, PA-C, William Waites, PA-C, and Anita Schiltz, ARNP, as recommended by the medical executive committee.

The Board members and Dr. Don Solberg reviewed the Chief Medical Officer report. Dr. Solberg added that a .02 occupational medicine provider has been hired who can provide a full range of services.

Libby Allgood reported financials for July noting that the hospital will be receiving a payment of 1.4 million from Noridian as a result of last year's cost report.

**ACTION:** On motion of Matt Altman and second of Bob Crowe, the Board members unanimously approved Debt Resolution No. 17-09.

**ACTION:** On motion of Bob Crowe and second of Matt Altman, the Board members unanimously approved Resolution No. 17-10 regarding surplus property.

**ACTION:** On motion of Bob Crowe and second of Matt Altman, the Board members unanimously approved the capital expenditure request for the purchase of the blood bank testing instrument in the amount of \$97,350.00 for Laboratory Services.

The Board members reviewed the operations report for the clinics with Carrie Barr inviting the Board members to attend the Open House at the Community Health of Central Washington clinic on August 1 to celebrate its ten-year anniversary.

The Board members reviewed the operations report for nursing services and ancillary services. Rhonda Holden reported that the new digital mammography will be available to patients around August 25<sup>th</sup>. Liahna Armstrong stated that the new pharmacy service and hours are a great service to the community.

7. **Education and Board Reports:**

The Board members reported that they attended the WSHA rural conference in Chelan on June 25-28. Board members Liahna Armstrong, Matt Altman, and Bob Davis expressed an interest in attending the Advocacy Days in Washington, D.C. in September.

8. **Old Business:**

None.

9. **New Business:**

None.

10. **Articles and Communication:**

The Board members reviewed the various clippings and correspondence items.

At 8:10 p.m., President Armstrong announced that there would be a 10 minute recess followed by a 45 minute executive session regarding personnel and real estate. RCW 42.30.110(b)(g)

At 9:05 p.m., President Armstrong extended the executive session for an additional 45 minutes.

At 9:50 p.m., the meeting was reconvened into open session. With no further action and business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

**CONCLUSIONS:**

1. Motion passed to approve the Board agenda.
2. Motion passed to approve the Consent Agenda.
3. Motion passed to approve the initial appointments and reappointments as listed above as recommended by the Medical Executive Committee.
4. Motion passed to approve Debt Resolution No. 17-09.
5. Motion passed to approve Resolution No. 17-10 regarding surplus property.
6. Motion passed to approve the capital expenditure request for the purchase of the blood bank testing instrument in the amount of \$97,350.00 for Laboratory Services.

Respectfully submitted,

Franki Storlie/Bob Davis  
Executive Coordinator/Secretary, Board of Commissioners