



KITTITAS COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT No. 1

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING

KVH Conference Room A & B & Via Zoom

January 27, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Erica Libenow, Matt Altman, Terry Clark, Jon Ward, Bob Davis

KVH STAFF PRESENT: Julie Petersen, Scott Olander, Manda Scott, Jeff Yamada, Jason Adler, Carrie Barr, Mandee Olsen, Tricia Sinek, Michele Wurl, Ron Urlacher, Dr. Kevin Martin, Vicky Machorro, Rhonda Holden, and Jim Gallagher

MEDICAL STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Timothy O'Brien

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

2. **Approval of Agenda:**

ACTION: On motion of Jon Ward and second of Matt Altman, the Board members unanimously approved the consent agenda.

3. **Consent Agenda:**

ACTION: On motion of Matt Altman and second of Terry Clark, the Board members unanimously approved the consent agenda.

4. **Public Comment/Announcements:**

None

5. **Presentation:**

Jinger Haberer, Ellensburg School District Superintendent gave a presentation on the upcoming Replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy & Technology Levy. Haberer stated that levies are for learning and help pay for things that are not state funded.

6. **Reports and Dashboards:**

The Board members reviewed the QI dashboards and summary with Mandee Olsen. Olsen stated that we have had two flu related deaths this flu season in the state of Washington. Olsen reviewed the Infection Control Surveillance and Employee Health Statistics and stated that these are the highest number of cases we have had in a single month and the month is not over. Olsen also reviewed the current CDC guidelines for both quarantine and isolation.

The Board members reviewed the CEO report with Julie Petersen. Petersen stated that last week we were told we had a secure supply chain for Covid testing supplies and then we received a call Tuesday night informing us that our allocation is being reduced to 100 test per week. Petersen stated that as a result we are closing the Covid Clinic to the general public. Petersen stated the priority for testing will be for Employee Health, hospital admissions and pre-procedure testing.

Petersen stated that King 5 News did a story on mask exemptions and our local Dr. Anna Elperin. At this time, Dr. Elperin cannot issue mask exemptions and we had six employees that received exemptions from her. Manda Scott stated that they are working on a process for those employees to either provide an eligible exemption or start the vaccination process. Scott stated that HR has reached out to those employees with the process and timelines.

Petersen stated we received the apparent low bid from VK Powell for the café renovation project with total construction costs at \$693,542.00 including two alternates. Ron Urlacher reviewed the project details and bid.

ACTION: On motion of Jon Ward and second of Bob Davis, the Board members unanimously accepted the apparent low bid from VK Powell for the café renovation project including the two alternates..

The Board members reviewed the operations report with Vicky Machorro, Rhonda Holden, and Carrie Barr. Machorro stated that she is really proud of the work we've done despite Covid. Holden stated that they have two travelers at Home Health and a new nurse so things are starting to come together.

Chief of Staff Dr. Timothy O'Brien presented the MEC's recommendations for initial appointments and reappointments to the Board.

ACTION: On motion of Terry Clark and second of Matt Altman, the Board members unanimously approved the initial appointments for Dr. Parker Faith, Dr. Beverly Frank, Dr. Jai Jung, Dr. Kenneth Rogotzke and the reappointments for Dr. Mohan Ashok Kumar, Dr. Lee Beville, Dr. David Fink, Dr. Dennis Gaskill, Dr. John Hwang, Dr. Thomas King, Catherine Patnode, ARNP, and Dr. Jeffrey Pett, as recommended by the Medical Executive Committee.

The Board members reviewed the Chief Medical Officer report with Dr. Kevin Martin.

Scott Olander reported on KVH's financial performance for December. Olander stated that it was a very busy month for hospital admissions and the OB department had their busiest month of the year with thirty-four deliveries. Olander stated that we ended the year with a positive revenue variance.

The Board members reviewed the Community Relations report with Michele Wurl. Wurl stated that a social media update will be posted tonight in regards to closing the Covid clinic.

7. Education and Board Reports:

Manda Scott reviewed the updates to the Travel and Education Policy and stated that the changes are regarding travel during the pandemic to follow whichever guidelines are the strictest for masking.

8. Old Business:

ACTION: On motion of Terry Clark and second of Matt Altman, the Board members unanimously approved the strategic plan, stating that some language changes will still be made but nothing that changes the meaning.

9. New Business:

None

10. Executive Session:

At 7:43 p.m., President Libenow announced that there would be a 7-minute recess followed by a 35-minute executive session regarding personnel and real estate. RCW 42.30.110(b)(g). No action was anticipated.

At 8:35 p.m., the meeting was reconvened into open session.

11. Adjournment:

With no further action and business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

CONCLUSIONS:

1. Motion passed to approve the board agenda as amended.
2. Motion passed to approve the consent agenda.
3. Motion to accept the apparent low bid from VK Powell for the café renovation project including the two alternates.

4. Motions passed to approve the initial appointments and reappointments as recommended by the Medical Executive Committee.
5. Motion passed to approve the strategic plan, stating that some language changes will still be made but nothing that changes the meaning.

Respectfully submitted,

Mandy Weed/Terry Clark
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