



# KITTITAS COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT No. 1

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING

KVH Conference Room A & B & Via Zoom

April 28, 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, Mandee Olsen, Ron Urlacher, Rhonda Holden, Stacy Olea, Dr. Kevin Martin, Michele Wurl, Vicky Machorro

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 Bob Davis and second of Terry Clark, the Board members unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

3. **Consent Agenda:**

**ACTION:** On motion of Jon Ward and second of Terry Clark, the Board members unanimously approved the consent agenda as presented.

4. **Presentation:**

Matt Ellsworth, Executive Director of the Association of Washington Public Hospital Districts gave a fact finding presentation regarding hospital district levies. Ellsworth reviewed the difference between advocacy and education.

5. **Public Comment/Announcements:**

Mr. Michael Barrow stated that he ran for office against Commissioner Libenow. Mr. Barrow stated that his race was an issues race and he is currently forming a Political Action Committee (PAC) to focus on advocacy in the community.

Ms. Lol Auren Monihan stated that people are buying heroin off of the streets after being kicked off of their pain contracts. Ms. Monihan also stated that she is very grateful for our CCU.

Ms. Sue Kendall stated that she would like to see a detox and treatment center here so that people don't have to get shipped to other places.

## **6. Reports and Dashboards:**

The Board members reviewed the QI dashboards and summary with Mandee Olsen. Olsen stated that we have had four Covid positive employees on the last two days. Olsen stated that Anna Scarlett recently received her DNV certification and she shared three positive patient stories.

The Board members reviewed the CEO report with Julie Petersen. Petersen reviewed the draft agenda for the Chelan Retreat and stated that the focus will be a strategic update and focus on staffing. Petersen stated that an Employee Forum is scheduled for May 5<sup>th</sup> and the topic will be on culture of safety.

The Board members reviewed the operations report with Vicky Machorro, Rhonda Holden and Stacy Olea. Machorro stated we are still short several positions and struggling with hard to transfer patients. Holden stated that the lab draw station moved on Monday in where the gift shop was and they are working on patient flow. Olea stated that the MA apprentice program is now rotating to all of the clinics to show them all of the opportunities that are available.

The Board members reviewed the support services report with Michele Wurl, Jeff Yamada, and Ron Urlacher. Wurl stated that there is a KVH employee appreciation event scheduled for December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Yamada stated that IT is very busy and has about 30 active projects and that he is hoping to have single sign on implemented by the end of the year. Urlacher stated that the café project is scheduled to start containment on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

President Libenow stated that MEC files would be discussed in executive session.

The Board members reviewed the Chief Medical Officer report with Dr. Kevin Martin. Dr. Martin stated that over the las 14 days we are seeing about a 9% increase in Covid in Washington State hospitals.

Scott Olander reported on KVH's financial performance for March. Olander stated that in-patient days are up, med surg and ICU patient days are down, ED and lab numbers are down a little and clinic visits were up. Olander stated that our liability insurance rates also went up significantly. Olander stated that the Community Commerce Grant for Childcare was also awarded in the amount of one million dollars.

**ACTION:** On motion of Jon Ward and second of Matt Altman, the Board members unanimously approved Resolution No. 22-05 to surplus property.

**7. Education and Board Reports:**

Julie Petersen stated that there is an AHA Leadership Summit the end of July.

**8. Old Business:**

Julie Petersen stated that Hospital District No. 2 finalized their strategic plan last month and we will revisit our joint meeting after their open house.

**9. New Business:**

None.

**10. Executive Session:**

At 7:17 p.m., President Libenow announced that there would be an 8-minute recess followed by a 60-minute executive session regarding personnel. RCW 42.30.110(g). Action was anticipated.

At 8:25 p.m., the meeting was reconvened into open session.

**ACTION:** On motion of Matt Altman and second of Jon Ward, the Board members unanimously approved the reappointments for Dr. David Frick, Dr. Roberta Hoppe, Dr. John Merrill-Steskal, Jose Elzinga-Diaz, PA-C, Patrick Erley, PA-C, and Mekenzie Kmack, CRNA as recommended by the Medical Executive Committee.

**11. Adjournment:**

With no further action and business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

**CONCLUSIONS:**

1. Motion passed to approve the board agenda as amended.
2. Motion passed to approve the consent agenda.
3. Motion passed approve Resolution No. 22-05 to surplus property
4. Motions passed to approve the reappointments as recommended by the Medical Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

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