

Bartlett Regional Hospital

Minutes

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

September 30, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.

Robert F. Valliant Boardroom

CALL TO ORDER – The Board of Director’s meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Rosemary Hagevig, Board Vice President

ATTENDANCE

Rosemary Hagevig, Vice President	Marshal Kendziorek	Mark Johnson
Lindy Jones, MD	Kenny Solomon-Gross	Deb Johnston
Lance Stevens, President (via Zoom video conferencing)		

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Chuck Bill, CEO	Kevin Benson, CFO	Billy Gardner, COO
Dallas Hargrave, HR Director	Rose Lawhorne, CNO	Don Schneider, MD, COS
Megan Costello, CBJ Law	Michelle Hale, CBJ Liaison	Lauren Beason, RNC-OB
Anita Moffitt, Executive Assistant		

ABSENT - Brenda Knapp, Past President and Bob Urata, MD, Secretary

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – *MOTION by Mr. Kendziorek to approve the agenda. Mr. Stevens made a MOTION to remove NEW BUSINESS item B, the resolution, from the agenda. Mr. Kendziorek objected to the removal. After a brief discussion, the chair ruled that item B will remain on the agenda for discussion. Ms. Costello requested the removal of Legal and Litigation Review from the Executive Session. No further changes requested. Mr. Kendziorek concurred with the changes. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion to approve the agenda with the removal of the Legal and Litigation Review. Agenda approved as amended.*

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

CONSENT AGENDA – *MOTION by Mr. Kendziorek to approve the consent agenda as written. Mr. Johnson seconded. There being no objections, the consent agenda was approved.*

BOARD EDUCATION

Labor and Delivery RN Certification – Lauren Beason, Director of OB, thanked the board members that participated in the tour of the OB director prior to this evening’s board meeting. She then provided an overview of the steps taken to exceed their goal of increasing the number of nationally certified BRH OB RNs by 30% in April 2019. A collaborative network with other Southeast Alaska facilities was launched. Grant funding was obtained. Contract was signed for an education provider and test proctor to come to Juneau. Multiple study sessions were held to help with test preparation. 100% of the nurses that took the certification exam passed. By making these educational opportunities and testing available locally, it increases educational opportunities for all staff to ensure certifications stay current, greatly reduces the costs and the need for travel and provides

added resources to help with study preparations. We now have 14 of the 17 eligible OB nurses certified. Certification provides improved patient safety, increased education and awareness of current practices, reduced liability and higher quality patient care. Sparked by the RNC class and exam, an OB Process Improvement Committee has been developed and meets on a monthly basis. There is a plan to host another certification class and testing opportunity in 2021.

Medical Staff Report – Dr. Schneider noted the August 6th Medical Staff meeting minutes are in the packet. He reported the following were discussed at the September 3rd meeting: Not cloning our charts, antibiotic stewardship and updates from the Trauma and ER Committees. He presented for board approval, an addition to the Medical Staff Rules and Regulations for the creation of a Physician EHR Advisory Committee. ***Motion made by Mr. Solomon-Gross to accept the recommendation to establish a Physician EHR Advisory Committee. Mr. Johnson seconded. There being no objections, Motion approved.***

Executive Session – ***Motion made by Mr. Kendziorek to recess into executive session as written in the agenda to discuss several matters:***

- *Those which by law, municipal charter, or ordinance are required to be confidential or involve consideration of records that are not subject to public disclosure, specifically the patient safety dashboard, the confidential chief of staff report, and the credentialing report.*

Mr. Solomon-Gross seconded. Motion approved. The committee entered executive session at 5:49 pm and returned to regular session at 5:53 pm.

- A. Credentialing report (BLUE FOLDER): ***Motion by Mr. Kendziorek to approve the credentialing report as written. Mr. Johnson seconded. Credentialing recommendations approved.***
- B. Confidential Chief of Staff Report (BLUE FOLDER): No action to be taken. The Board reviewed the confidential chief of staff report.
- C. Patient Safety Dashboard (BLUE FOLDER): No action to be taken. The Board reviewed the Patient Safety Dashboard.

OLD BUSINESS:

CAMPUS PLAN UPDATE – Mr. Bill stated that Jensen Yorba Wall (JYW) is actively moving through their schedule and is on target for completion. The plan will be presented to the full board when completed. Mr. Kendziorek encouraged all board members to attend the Planning Committee meeting on October 9th if available to do so.

CRISIS INTERVENTION UPDATE – Mr. Bill noted the detailed CBHO report included in the packet. BOPS has successfully moved into its new temporary location. The design RFP is still a few days away from being awarded to the successful bidder. The plan is still to include options for a two story building as well as a three story building with a parking garage in the bottom level. We have received \$200,000 grant funding from the Mental Health Trust. We are waiting to hear the final numbers from Premera and we have interest from the Rasmuson and Murdoch Foundations.

STATE BUDGET – Mr. Bill noted there is still not a lot of clarity on the state budget. The ASHNHA lawsuit against the state is in the final stages of settlement. BRH should receive about \$500,000 from the state due to the rate cuts that had been improperly imposed. We have received both first quarter Behavioral Health grant payments from the state for Rainforest Recovery; this would indicate that the state’s intention is to make those payments for the rest of the year. The only thing still not defined is the \$50 Million veto the Governor had added at the last minute.

NEW BUSINESS:

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION – Mr. Benson presented a request for approval by the board, Ordinance 2018-11(AT) and Ordinance 2018-11(AR). This ordinance will appropriate an additional \$2,200,000 for FY19 operations. The appropriation is being funded from FY19 Hospital revenues in excess of the budget of \$1,700,000 and Hospital Fund’s fund balance of \$500,000. With board approval, this ordinance will be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular Assembly meeting.

Motion by Mr. Johnson to endorse and move forward to the Assembly, Ordinance 2018-11(AT) and Ordinance 2018-11(AR). Mr. Kendziorek seconded. There being no objections, Motion approved.

STATE BUDGET CUT OPPOSITION RESOLUTION - ***Motion by Ms. Johnston to support the state budget cut opposition resolution. Mr. Kendziorek seconded.*** Discussion followed. Mr. Kendziorek stated that he had requested a resolution opposing the state budget cuts because he feels it to be the board’s obligation. He handed out a red-lined version of the resolution in the packet with his proposed changes. Mr. Johnson questioned the urgency since the legislature is not in session. He proposed having the Executive Committee look at the proposed changes. Ms. Hale noted that the Assembly has sent two resolutions to the Legislature and to the Governor. She stated that she feels it’s the Assembly’s role to communicate directly with the Legislature and recommends the board communicate with the legislature through the Assembly. Mr. Solomon-Gross expressed his hesitance to move forward without the Board President being on board. Mr. Stevens stated that he feels the Assembly has already represented BRH with their resolutions but is not opposed to having Mr. Kendziorek’s revised resolution reviewed by the Executive Committee and bringing it back to the board if they so choose. ***Mr. Kendziorek made a motion to continue this resolution to a future board meeting to allow the Executive Committee to review it. Mr. Johnson seconded. There being no objections, Motion approved.*** The Executive Committee will review the revised resolution prior to presenting it to the board for consideration of moving it to the Assembly.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS – Mr. Johnson questioned the unbudgeted dollar amounts for bonuses in the finance packet. Mr. Bill explained that this amount is due to the quarterly settlement with the BRH surgeons. Money left over after base salaries and the costs associated with their practice is paid out as a bonus. Ms. Hagevig thanked the leadership team for their comprehensive reports.

CEO REPORT –

OPHTHALMOLOGY UPDATE - Mr. Bill reported that we had a very successful visit with our Ophthalmologist last week. He did 14 cataract surgeries in addition to seeing other patients. There are still some bugs being worked out but everyone is pleased so far.

Mr. Johnson expressed frustration about the RFP process. Discussion was held about the need for some of the information in the scope of work for the RFP.

Mr. Bill noted the Governance Institute's upcoming Leadership Conferences.

ASHANHA – Mr. reported that ASHNHA's annual meeting was held last week. He is no longer the chairman but is still on their Executive Committee. ASHNHA is in the middle of a CEO search to replace Becky Hultberg. They have narrowed the 30 applicants down to three very strong candidates. He also provided a highlight from their safety awards ceremony.

FOCUS AND EXECUTE - Mr. Bill stated that he was not ready to report on the Focus and Execute but will give a full report next month.

STRATEGIC DISCUSSION:

STRATEGIC RETREAT – Mr. Stevens discussed the benefits of holding the Strategic Planning Retreat in March. Transition of any new board members, if any, will be completed by then and all of the studies will have been completed for use during strategic planning discussions.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Mr. Stevens reported that Ms. Knapp and Mr. Kendziorek volunteered to be on the Nominating Committee for next year's Board Officers. Board members are encouraged to let the Nominating Committee know if there is a particular committee they would like to be on.

PRESIDENT REPORT – Nothing to report that has not already been covered above.

BOARD CALENDAR – October calendar reviewed. Ms. Moffitt is to send out a doodle poll to the Executive Committee members to identify a date for their next meeting. Due to committee member absences, it might be early November before it can be held. Discussion was held about the dates of the November and December Board of Directors meetings. The November meeting will be held on Tuesday the 26th. The December meeting will be held on Thursday, the 19th.

BOARD COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS – Quick meeting!

ADJOURNMENT – 6:30 p.m.