AGENDA
JOINT CONFERENCE MEETING
Tuesday, December 17, 2019; 7:00 a.m.
Bartlett Regional Hospital - Boardroom

Mission Statement
Bartlett Regional Hospital provides its community with quality, patient-centered care in a sustainable manner.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   • August 15, 2019 Joint Conference

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

V. NEW BUSINESS
   A. Provider Network Development Study
   B. Community Healthcare Needs assessment
   C. Campus Development
   D. Strategic 2020 Planning Retreat

VI. OLD BUSINESS
   A. Master Facility Plan
   B. Ongoing communications
   C. Ophthalmology
   D. Joint Conference meeting schedule

VII. MEDICAL STAFF COMMENTS

VIII. BOARD / ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

IX. ADJOURNMENT
Call to Order—Meeting was called to order at 7:06 a.m. by Lance Stevens, Board President

Public Participation—None

Approval of the Minutes—Dr. Shanley made a MOTION to approve the May 10, 2019 Joint Conference meeting minutes. Dr. Urata seconded. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—None

NEW BUSINESS

Affiliation Study—Mr. Bill reported that the Governance Committee is going to make a recommendation to the Board of Directors (BOD) that a deep dive of affiliation options for BRH is conducted. Nothing is to be left out of the options for consideration including affiliating with SEARHC or possibly even selling the hospital. If the BOD approves, an RFP will be sent out. The information obtained will be used in our next Strategic Planning Session which is probably going to be held in March. It was noted that a couple of things to be considered when looking at our options are what would the triggers be for doing this while still in a strategic position and how could an affiliation improve access to services or care in the community. Mr. Bill noted that it’s important not to send the wrong message to the public, this is a fact finding mission only. The Assembly will be notified if this is approved.

Master Facility Plan—BRH has hired Jensen Yorba Wall (JYW) to revise the Master Facility Plan they had created in 2011. This will give us a current look at our aging plant, infrastructure and options that may be available to meet our future needs. Options would include expanding upwards on existing building, building on the BRH owned property located on the hillside above Wildflower Court as well as possible off-site locations. The feasibility of creating another access point to BRH will be included. The plan will help us address the domino effects of remodeling and constructing and provide options for possible replacement of the Juneau Medical Center, which is beyond its useful life, and eliminating the need to lease space for the Specialty Clinic. Meetings have already been held with each department to identify future needs. Dr. Urata proposed looking at the property the old Walmart and initiated a
conversation about the need to rebuild/remodel hospitals frequently to meet the needs of new technology and growth. Dr. Schneider reported that JYW will do a feedback presentation at the September Medical Staff meeting.

Mr. Bill also reported that BRH will be entering into an agreement with a company to conduct a community healthcare needs assessment. Non-government hospitals are required by CMS to do one every two to three years but we are not. The information will be very useful in updating our physician recruitment needs and in our strategic planning. An RFP has been published. The winning bidder will reach out to members of the medical staff as well as the general community to help identify the healthcare needs in the community. With the affiliation study, the master facility plan and the community healthcare needs assessment results, we will have a lot of great information to use during our March Strategic Planning meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Ongoing Communications – As a result of the last joint conference meeting, we have started reciprocating minutes from the Board and Medical Staff meetings. There have also been tools provided to the Chief of Staff from the Quality Committee to report to the medical staff as well as the BOD.

Dr. Shanley reported that a discussion about the Meditech upgrade had been held at the Medical Staff meeting but the information received was unclear. Mr. Bill reported that training for each provider as a result of the upgrade is to take no more than 4 hours. ER and Ambulatory Care modules will be added during this upgrade and an Oncology module will hopefully be added in the future. The ER doctors have looked at the new Meditech module and are pleased with what they saw reporting that it is much better than the old system.

Dr. Schneider stated that the Medical Staff is interested in making an EMR Committee part of the Medical Staff Committees. The driving force for this is that the Medical Staff would like to have more say in the decision making regarding changes that effect how they work. He suggested having physicians with different levels of technological competency (such as a chicken, a monkey and himself since he has none).

Ophthalmology – Mr. Bill reported that Dr. Kopstein is set up and ready to go to begin seeing patients at the end of the month. He will begin doing surgeries next month. Surgeries will be done on Fridays, clinics will be held on Thursdays and Saturdays. A meet and greet with the medical staff will be scheduled.

Joint Conference meeting schedule – It was agreed that quarterly joint conference meetings are valuable. A doodle poll will be sent out to determine a date in November for the next one to be held. Future polls will be sent via the Nasdaq Boardvantage Portal. Ms. Moffitt provided information about the portal and will work with Ms. Kesselring to make sure the designated physicians have access to and begin using the portal. Discussion was also held about meeting participation via Zoom video conferencing.

Comments – Mr. Stevens encouraged physician attendance at the March Strategic Planning meeting.

Adjournment – 7:43 a.m.