

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 27, 2015**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Public Hospital District No. 304, Skagit County was held at the Peacehealth United General Medical Center.

ATTENDANCE

Present were: Commissioners Chuck Ruhl, Gary Kent, Bob Stanley, Jeri Kaufman and Andy Hunter; Ted Brockmann, Superintendent/CFO; Mary Voss, Office Manager/Accountant; Val Stafford, Marketing Consultant, Jim Barnhart, CAO Peacehealth, Eric Volk, Wipfli and members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 a.m. by Mr. Ruhl.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to approve the "consent" agenda, including the minutes of the July 23rd regular meeting; written report from the Superintendent/CFO; Resolution 2015-29 – Investments (District); accounts payable vouchers (District) #67194 – 67269; payroll vouchers (District) #DD1222 – DD1259; accounts payable vouchers (AHS) #31153 – 31155 and the July write-offs (District).

OTHER

Dr. Teakle Martin Recognition:

Mr. Ruhl, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners, presented Dr. Teakle Martin with a plaque acknowledging his many years of dedicated service to the residents of Hospital District 304. Members of the audience were asked to share their memories of Dr. Martin. Dr. Romano described Dr. Martin as a wise mentor and appreciated his belief that *everyone* deserved good care. Dr. Martin thanked the Board and audience members.

District Organizational Chart/Policy update:

Mr. Brockmann reviewed the updated District organizational chart. He also presented a list of the updated District policies. He, along with Steve Queen and Mary Voss, have worked the last month on updating the District's policies to accurately reflect the District's new business model.

District Bylaws:

Mr. Brockmann presented the Board with proposed amendments to the District bylaws. A motion was made and seconded to approve the changes to the

bylaws. The amended bylaws will be brought forth by resolution at the September 24th Board meeting.

FINANCE

Finance Committee Report:

Mr. Hunter presented an overview of the Finance committee report and he deferred to Mr. Brockmann for details. Mr. Brockmann reviewed the July District financials. He noted that grant funds fluctuate throughout the year. Additionally, the Fitness Center typically sees a drop in participants during the summer months. Mr. Brockmann also reviewed the July financial reports for Hospice of the Northwest which showed a year to date gain. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to accept the Finance Committee report.

Peacehealth Quarterly Report:

Mr. Barnhart reviewed the 4th quarter report for Peacehealth United. While there was a loss during the quarter the overall margin for the year was positive. However, the volumes for the 1st quarter of the new fiscal year are down. He and Mr. Chris Johnston will be meeting with primary care providers over the next six to eight weeks. He also noted that the volumes for imaging modalities had decreased across the country due to stricter referral criteria.

Mr. Barnhart stated that the Det Norske Veritas accreditation review had occurred during the 4th quarter and had gone very well. Core measures remain outstanding. Peacehealth is again changing their vendor for patient satisfaction surveys so there remains insufficient date to report on.

Surgery volumes are above budget and greater than the previous year. Peacehealth continues to recruit for an additional hospitalist as well as primary care physicians. Dr. Hall, a radiation oncologist from St. Joseph's, will be replacing Dr. Muff upon his retirement.

Wipfli Audit Presentation:

Eric Volk from the accounting firm Wipfli gave an update on the 2013 & 2014 audits. He also gave an overview of how the District's financial reporting has changed due to the affiliation with Peacehealth.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

Marketing Update:

Ms. Stafford stated that she was in the process of updated The Landing promotional materials. She also noted that the Trek for Treasure Facebook page appeared to be very well received by participants.

Janicki Bioenergy:


Mr. Brockmann reminded the Board that Janicki Bioenergy will be giving a presentation on their new Omni Processor project at next month's meeting. The meeting is scheduled for September 24th at Noon in the Alder/Birch conference room.

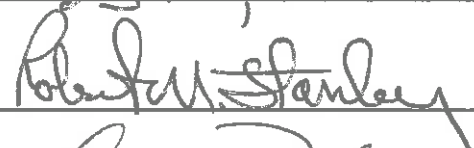
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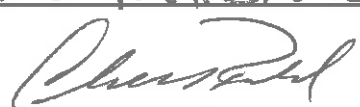
Not needed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.







ATTEST:

