

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 28, 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/Peacehealth CAO and members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 a.m. by Mr. Ruhl.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Edwin Stickle from Physicians Care expressed his concern that negotiations with Skagit Regional Health regarding an amendment to the interlocal agreement were not progressing as quickly as he had hoped.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to approve the "consent" agenda, including the minutes of the April 23rd regular meeting; written report from the Superintendent/CFO; Resolution 2015-18 – Investments (District); Resolution 867– Investments (AHS); accounts payable vouchers (District) #66873 – 66994; payroll vouchers (District) #DD1090 – DD1149; accounts payable vouchers (AHS) #31144 – 31146 and the April write-offs (District).

FINANCE

Finance Committee Report:

Mr. Hunter stated overall everything is in order with the Finance Committee report and deferred to Mr. Brockmann. Mr. Brockmann reviewed the April income statement and balance sheet for the District. Year to date the District's net margin is better than budget. Mr. Brockmann also reviewed the March financial reports for Hospice of the Northwest. He noted that the census for Hospice has seen an increase. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to accept the Finance Committee report.

Peacehealth Financial and Quality Measures Report:

Mr. Barnhart presented the Peacehealth quarterly update for the United campus. Excess revenues over expenses exceeded their budgeted target. However, there were several adjustments that carried over from their FY2014 that won't recur in the future. FY2016 has been budgeted at approximately 7% excess revenue of expenses.

Clinically, their survey with Det Norske Veritas Accreditation went very well. They've also just recently switched patient satisfaction survey providers so there is insufficient data to report at this time. Surgery volumes are

maintaining despite the recent restructure. Dr. Karen Hunter began her general surgery practice at the end of May. Recruiting for additional specialty surgeons and primary care providers continues. They've hired a new Director of Clinical Services, Preet Singh to replace Carsi Padrnos. They've also begun the process of replacing the aging MRI machine.

OTHER BUSINESS

Marketing update:

Val Stafford gave a recap of the 50th Anniversary celebration that was held in the Coho Café on May 19th. She showed a video recap of the event as well as the historical video that had been produced for the occasion. The Board thought that the event was very well received and thanked Val for her work.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

Mr. Brockmann stated that there were several positive articles regarding District services in the Skagit Valley Herald that were included in the Board packets this past month for their review. He also reminded the Commissioners of the upcoming Varsity in Volunteerism award banquets and encouraged all to attend.

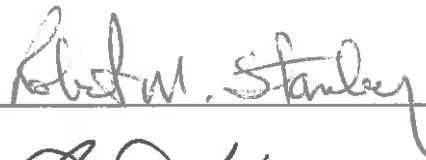
Mr. Hunter stated to the group that with regards to the ongoing negotiations with Skagit Regional Health concerning an amendment to the interlocal agreement, Board members and District staff are reminded to use prudence when updating the public as to the status of the aforementioned negotiations.

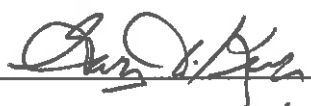
EXECUTIVE SESSION


Not needed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 a.m.







ATTEST:

