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**Adams County Public Hospital District No. 3
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners**

Thursday, April 27, 2017

Board Meeting: 4:00 p.m.
Light Dinner to follow

CONFERENCE ROOM

Regular Board Meeting

1. Call to Order
2. Comments from Audience
3. Auxiliary Report
4. Medical Staff Report
5. Department Report
6. Conflict of Interest Declarations
7. Consent Agenda
 - A. March 23, 2017 Regular Board; April 25, 2017 Finance; April 26, 2017 Personnel Committee meeting minutes
 - B. Claims and payroll
 - C. Bad debts and charity care.
8. Patient Satisfaction Survey
9. Financial and Statistical Report
10. Old Business:
 - A. EMS Levy Committee update
11. New Business:
 - A. Approval of Meeting Adjournment/Reschedule May 25, 2017 meeting Resolution 17-02

12. Administrative Report
 - Nursing Report
 - Patient Story
 - CEO Report

13. Articles

14. Process Feedback

15. Executive Session:

The Board will meet in closed Executive Session per: 1) RCW 70.44.062(2) whereby all meetings, proceedings, and deliberations of a quality improvement committee established under RCW 4.24.250, 43.70.510, or 70.41.200 and all meetings, proceedings, and deliberations of the board of commissioners, its staff or agents, to review the report or the activities of a quality improvement committee established under RCW 4.24.250, 43.70.510, or 70.41.200 may, at the discretion of the quality improvement committee or the board of commissioners, be confidential and may be conducted in executive session. Any review conducted by the board of commissioners or quality improvement committee, or their staffs or agents, shall be subject to the same protections, limitations, and exemptions that apply to quality improvement activities under RCW 4.24.240, 4.24.250, 43.70.510, and 70.41.200. However, any final action of the board of commissioners on the report of the quality improvement committee shall be done in public session; and 2) per RCW 42.30.110(g) to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. However, subject to RCW 42.30.140(4), discussion by a governing body of salaries, wages, and other conditions of employment to be generally applied within the agency shall occur in a meeting open to the public, and when a governing body elects to take final action hiring, setting the salary of an individual employee or class of employees, or discharging an employee, that action shall be taken in a meeting open to the public.

The Executive Session is expected to last 15 minutes.

16. Adjournment



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Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2017**

Present: Shirley McCullough, Lynda Bowers, Bob Carlson, Larry McCourtie, and Terry Thompson

Others Present: Connie Agenbroad, Mark Bunch, Rhonda Golladay, Tina Bernsen, Mindy Gonzalez, Mary Garza, Jim Lomax, and Tiffany Cutforth Golladay

Call to Order: President McCourtie called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. President McCourtie announced that the meeting is being recorded. President McCourtie asked if everyone could hear him. All present acknowledged they could hear him.

Comments from Audience: None

Auxiliary Report: Mary Garza reported that the Auxiliary met on Monday, April 17, 2017. Vendor and sponsorship letters have been sent out and as to date, the auxiliary has collected \$2500.00 in donations and has one group of golfers registered. The Auxiliary members brainstormed about having one large item for auction some thoughts were; wine to dine, a cruise dinner, Hells Canyon Adventure, dinner on a train, and a zip line adventure. The next Auxiliary meeting will be Monday May 8, 2017 in the grapevine dining room.

Medical Staff Report: Upon recommendations from the Medical Staff Shirley McCullough made a motion to approve temporary Family Medicine privileges for Dr. Sergio Flores from CBHA. Terry Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Terry Thompson made a motion to approve Telestroke privileges for Dr. Jason Tarpley from Providence Health. Bob Carlson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Lynda Bowers made a motion to approve Teleradiology privileges for Dr. David Keaton, Dr. Douglas Murrey, Dr. Aditi Modi, Dr. Joshua Garcia, and Dr. Mark McVee from Integra Imaging. Bob Carlson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Shirley McCullough made a motion to approve Dental privileges for Dr. James Collette. Terry Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Department Report/Guest Presentation: None

Conflict of Interest Declarations: None

Approval Consent Agenda: Bob Carlson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda comprised of the; 1) March 23, 2017 Regular Board; April 25, 2017 Finance; and April 26, 2017 Personnel Committee Minutes. 2) Claims, payroll, payroll taxes, and Auxiliary

in the amount of \$1,494,556.80. 3) Bad Debts and Charity care in the amounts of 101,759.09 and \$98,887.27 respectively. Terry Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Patient Satisfaction: Mindy Gonzalez presented patient satisfaction surveys for Inpatient, Outpatient, and ER services.

Financial Report: For the month ending, March, 2017, OCH incurred an operating loss (including approximately \$50,573 in hospital levy; \$39,765 in EMS levy) in the amount of \$291,599 with investment gain of \$30,740 for a total net loss of \$260,859; year-to-date operating gain (including approximately \$151,719 in hospital levy; \$119,295 in EMS levy;) was \$84,245 with investment gain of \$91,639 for a year-to-date gain of \$175,884.

Old Business: Commissioner Carlson gave an update on the EMS levy committee meeting held on Wednesday April 12, 2017 at City Hall. The committee elected Commissioner Bob Carlson as President, Tiffany Cutforth Golladay as Secretary, and Kathe Vanlandingham as Treasurer. Discussion included different options for the levy as to running a six year, ten year levy, or a permanent levy. Commissioner Carlson was able to find out further information on six year, ten year, and a permanent levy. It appears that the best way to proceed is the six year. This will be taken back to the EMS levy committee for further discussion. The next meeting is May 9, 2017 at 6:30 at City Hall.

Connie Agenbroad discussed with the Commissioners as to what would happen if the EMS levy does not pass. Connie suggest several options 1) continue as is; 2) have an all volunteer crew; or 3) give a six month notice to the community and Washington State Department of Health that Othello Community Hospital would cease providing ambulance service. It was the consensus of the Commissioners that if the EMS levy fails notice would be given to the community and Washington State Department of Health that Othello Community Hospital would cease providing ambulance service. It is important that the community understand that this is not a new tax but a continuation of the past six years and will not raise their taxes.

New Business: Approval of Meeting Adjournment Resolution 17-02: Terry Thompson made a motion to approve Resolution 17-02, adjourning the Thursday May 25, 2017, regular Board meeting and rescheduling it to Tuesday May 23, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. Shirley McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Nursing Report: Rhonda Golladay reported there were three (3) admission restrictions with zero (0) diversions for April 2017.

Patient Story: Rhonda Golladay reported on a young woman who presented with stroke like symptoms and because of the patient's symptoms and the possibility of giving TPA (stroke medication) a CT was done and was negative. Because of her symptoms were not definite the ER connected with telestroke (telemedicine), moved the monitor to her bedside, and connected with a neurologist. He came on the screen and talked with the patient. The neurologist did an assessment and between the neurologist and the ER physician, it was decided that she did not have a stroke and did not need to have TPA. The neurologist suggested a couple of other tests to be done but the hospital does not do these types of tests. It was decided to transfer her out and the diagnosis came back as

migraine variant. The mother was very pleased and thankful we were able to provide this service.

CEO Report:

Connie Agenbroad reported on the notification the hospital received from the Health Care Authority (HCA) regarding overpayments of Meaningful Use. The Office of Inspector General (OIG) audited the HCA on payments made to hospitals from 2011 to 2016 and found that HCA had made an error in calculating payments. The OIG looked at the top twenty (20) hospitals and Othello Community Hospital was one of them, in fact, Othello Community Hospital was the top one receiving \$1,282,082. Just for the twenty hospitals, OIG stated that HCA overpaid approximately 11 million dollars. OIG is requesting HCA refund the overpayments. HCA is requesting hospitals refund the amount they were overpaid. The OIG will be auditing the rest of the hospitals in Washington State. They also have audited other states as well. It is recommended by Washington State Hospital Association that the hospitals dispute the findings with HCA and request additional detail information regarding calculations. The hospitals followed the instructions on HCA's website and have nothing to do with the calculations. Mark Bunch has been in contact with HCA regarding this and will be working on the dispute letter.

EMS week is May 22-May 26. EMS is working on having an open house.

On Wednesday May 19, 2017, Rhonda, Tina, and Connie met with Jesse Torres from Sound Oxygen Service regarding a possible sleep clinic here at the hospital. Connie will be checking with some other hospitals that he has worked with for further discussion of starting a sleep clinic. He did state that they have several patients from Othello with the referrals coming from CBHA. Connie will continue to work on this and hope to have an update either for the May Board meeting or for the June Board meeting.

May 1 through May 12, the hospital will be having 2nd grade tours. Volunteers are needed.

Tuesday May 2, 2017 is the CEO/Board Patient Safety Summit in Seattle.

May 8, 2017 is the Liability Insurance meeting with three separate meetings starting at 10:30 – 11:00, 11:00-11:30, and 11:30-12:00. Mary Garza will send out reminders to everyone.

Connie Agenbroad read an email she received from Kele, EMT on positive comments she received out at the High School Rodeo.

Telly Cantu, Birthing Educator for CBHA informed Connie that the last birthing class held here at the hospital there was 30 moms plus their partners. She is thinking about having two separate classes one in English and one in Spanish. It is just too difficult to have this many at one time doing both English and Spanish. Telly is predicting the next couple of classes are going to be just as big.

Connie gave an update on the burned out LED light issue. There now have been four (4) bulbs burned out since installing these LED bulbs. The last one was in the patient elevator and burned the tombstone. Mike Richards and Stan Fuhriman will be randomly checking

twenty-five to thirty lights for wiring, tombstone, and ballasts. We have learned that the ballasts should be T-8 and some may be T-10 or T-12. Mark Bunch gave an update that as of today all the ballasts Mike Richards and Stan Fuhriman checked are T-8. Connie and Mark will have an update for the May Board meeting.

Inland Imaging Mobile MRI is needing a new truck and updating of the MRI machine and in order for Inland to do this the cost for the five hospitals that jointly contracted with Inland would, increase anywhere from \$150.00 to \$200.00 per exam depending on the upgrades Inland would do the MRI. The five hospitals have been in contact with MRI Mobile they service Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. MRI Mobile has a very current MRI and can do three times more exams than Inland would be able to do even with the upgrades. One of the things MRI Mobile can do is breast tissue exams. Kim Dyal was very excited about this, as we have had to send patients out because we were not able to do this exam. The cost to contract with MRI Mobile is about \$100.00 less per exam than the hospital pays Inland Imaging currently. We still have six months left on our contract with Inland but the five hospitals are working with Inland to possibly let us out of the contract early if we choose to. Connie will have more information for the May Board Meeting.

Hospital week is May 8-May12 and we will be having an employee BBQ on May 10 at 12 noon. Mary Garza invited the Board to come and have lunch with the employees.

Connie will be contacting the Commissioners after the EMS Levy meeting to set up a special board tentatively on Wednesday May 10, 2017 to review and possibly approve an EMS Levy resolution.

Articles: The Board reviewed articles regarding. "Washington state awarded \$11M to battle opioid epidemic", from NWCN.com, April 24, 2017; "Under Trump, states may demand work for Medicaid" from seattlepi.com, April 20, 2017; "Washington Healthplanfinder Enrollment Exceeds 200,000" from State of Reform, April 19, 2017; "Rural doctors' training may be in jeopardy" from localhealthguide.com, April 24, 2017.

Process Feedback: Commissioner Carlson asked for clarification on the privileges granted for the dentist, Dr. Collette. Mindy Gonzalez explained that this was a reappointment only and she was not sure if Dr. Collette would be returning. Dr. Traficante is the new dental surgeon from CBHA. Dr. Traficante is scheduled to be here in July 2017.

Executive Session: Executive Session: President McCourtie stated that the Board would meet in closed Executive Session per: 1) RCW 70.44.062(2) to review and discuss quality improvement activities and 2) RCW 42.30.110(g) to review and discuss the performance of a public employee. Any final action of the board of commissioners would be taken in open session. A complete legal citation of the above was available in the agenda to this meeting, upon request, and as cited below:

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The Executive Session is expected to last 15 minutes.

The Executive Session convened at 5:25 p.m.

Resumption of Open Session: The open session resumed at 5:40 p.m.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Carlson, Secretary