

BOARD OF HOSPITAL COMMISSIONERS

February 23, 2021

Those in attendance were Hospital Commissioners Darrin Moody (teleconference), Gayle Weston (teleconference), and Don Wilson (teleconference). Also present were Eric Moll, Mason Health CEO (teleconference); Mark Batty, Mason Health COO (teleconference); Dr. Dean Gushee, Mason Health CMO (teleconference); Melissa Strong, Mason Health CNO (teleconference) Robert Johnson, Legal Counsel (teleconference) and Shelly Dunnington, Senior Executive Assistant (teleconference).

Others in attendance for a portion of the Hospital Commissioners meeting: Nicole Eddins, Senior Director of Ancillary Services,

Gayle Weston called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 8:00 a.m.

Eric Moll and Mark Batty provided information about Dr. Benjamin May. Dr. May has been well received in our community. Dr. Benjamin May shared a little bit about himself and the commissioners introduced themselves.

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve the February 9, 2021 minutes as presented.

Commissioner's Committee Report & Calendar

Don Wilson attended BOHC on February 9, attended the Virtual AHA Leadership Conference on February 17 and 18th, and met with Eric for a 1:1 and conference call on audit on February 19, 2021.

Darrin Moody attended BOHC on February 9, met w/ Shelly Dunnington on February 12, met w/Dean Gushee on February 15th, met w/employee health, Mel Strong and Mark Batty on February 16, attended the Virtual AHA Leadership Conference on February 17 and 18, 2021.

Gayle Weston met with Eric Moll on February 8, attended the BOHC on February 9, and met with the Retirement and the Finance Committees on February 16 and met with Eric on February 22, 2021.

Consent Agenda

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve the consent agenda for February 23, 2021.

Public Comments – None

Legal Counsel – None

Administrator's Report

- a) Medical Benefits -Eric Moll reviewed the revisions to the Medical Benefits for Hospital District Commissioners Policy.

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve the Medical Benefits for Hospital District Commissioners Policy.

- b) Observing Past Commissioners - Eric reviewed the revisions to the Observing Past Commissioners.

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve the revisions to the Observing Past Commissioners. Shelly Dunnington to change the logo to Mason Health.

Administrator's Report (continued)

- c) Olympia Advocacy - Eric Moll reviewed advocacy content and how they could impact Mason Health.
 - a. Increase Patient Access to Health Services Through Audio Only Telemedicine: HB 1196/SB 5325
 - i. Accounts for over 80% of telemedicine visits for Mason Clinic
 - ii. Audio visits are reimbursed roughly eight times higher
 - iii. Telemedicine visits currently account for almost 10% of clinic visits.
 - b. Establish Core State Law Waivers To Prepare For Future Emergencies: SB 5178
 - i. Waiving the 25-bed limit during an emergency is the most important issue related to compliance during an emergency.
 - ii. Federal law allows Critical Access Hospitals to exceed 25 beds when Federal and State has declared emergency.
 - iii. A delay by the State means we could technically be out of compliance during an emergency.

Eric Moll shared that Dr. Vogelgesang will be an independent contractor with Mason Health practicing Pain Specialty and Addiction Therapy starting April 1, 2021. We will provide feedback in the future on this service line and how it is integrating.

Monthly Reports

- a) Financials - Rick Smith provided detail information of the board financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2020.

Old Business

- a) COVID Update - Mel Strong provided the statistics on COVID update as of February 17, 2021.
- b) Vaccine Clinic Update - Nicole Eddins joined our meeting to provide an update on COVID vaccination. Nicole shared "kudos" to the staff that work at the Ridge for the 2nd vaccination. They vaccinated 600 community members. Darrin Moody gave kudos for making sure we have the refrigeration to store Pfizer. They will be doing a pop-up clinic at the Senior Center this Friday, February 26, 2021.

New Business

- a) Mason Health Retirement Plan - Statement of Investment Policy - Gayle Weston gave Rick Smith "kudos" for the top-notch retirement committee he has put together with the Charter and policies. Rick Smith provided a brief overview of our retirement plan to Darrin Moody. Rick Smith went over the revisions to the Statement of Investment Policy.

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve the revision to the Mason Health Retirement Plan – Statement of Investment Policy.

New Business (continued)

- b) Fiduciary Responsibility Delegation Charter - Rick Smith review the revision of the Fiduciary Responsibility Delegation Charter.

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve the revisions in the Fiduciary Responsibility Delegation Charter. It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve to delegate Gayle Weston as the committee member.

Administration Roundtable

Rick Smith shared that we hired a new Facilities Engineering – Patrick O’Neil. Patrick comes to us with 28 years of experience

Currently, WIPFLI is working on our financial audit.

Mark Batty shared we are making progress in putting schedulers in the specialty clinic areas. We are starting with the eye clinic. This will be a nice benefit to our patients. Mark shared that he is also personally working on Mason Clinic phone system. Tomorrow will be one year since we saw our first patient in Mason Clinic. Peggy Moore and Kathy Dorcy has resigned. Peggy’s last day will be February 25, 2021 and Kathy’s will be March 12, 2021.

Mel Strong shared we have discharged our last swing bed patient but looking for our 3rd swing bed patient as we need 5 swing bed patients before we can have a survey.

Mel Strong shared we will be doing a light Baldrige application. The first group session will be next week.

Dr. Dean Gushee shared the remarkable experience with this whole Pandemic.

Dr. Dean Gushee shared we finished our first train the trainer event for the Domain NW. This gave the ability to provide feedback from staff and allow them to learn a lot. The next event is the integration testing. Cerner will be bringing 22 members to help with this event.

Commissioners’ Comments/Meeting Evaluation:

The commissioners discussed a community member letter and agreed to add the consent agenda items to the regular agenda.

The commissioners have a list of recommendation of committees. They will review and we will discuss at a board retreat. Darrin Moody agreed to sit on the QIC and Board of Health initially.

There was a lot of good information. Add succession plan to a future agenda.

Adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BY: _____

Attest: _____
