

BOARD OF HOSPITAL COMMISSIONERS

March 22, 2022

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, CMO (teleconference); Robert Johnson, Legal Counsel (teleconference) and Shelly Dunnington, Senior Executive Assistant (teleconference).

Others in attendance: Laura Grubb, Compliance Officer, Jennifer Capps, Chief Development Officer

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

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve March 8, 2022 minutes as presented.

Consent Agenda

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve March 22, 2022 consent agenda.

Commissioner's Committee Report & Calendar

Don Wilson attended BOHC on March 8, 2022 and met with Eric Moll 1:1 on March 17, 2022.

Darrin Moody attended BOHC and the PAC ribbon cutting on March 8, 2022, met with Graduation Matters on March 10, 2022 they decided to dissolve this committee, and the money will be used to help the children in the Shelton School District, met with Chamber of Commerce and met with Eric Moll 1:1 on March 21, 2022.

Gayle Weston attended BOHC and the PAC ribbon cutting on March 8, 2022, Shelton Hospital Association meeting on March 11, 2022, and met w/ Eric Moll 1:1 and Finance Committee March 21, 2022.

Public Comments – None

Legal Counsel – None

CEO's Report

- a. 2021 Strategic Planning Evaluation – Eric Moll shared we have obtained 5 out of 9 of our 2021 Strategic Planning Initiatives. Eric reviewed each performance measures. Eric expressed even though we did not make the performance target on each measure there was a lot of learning that took place to help us move forward for 2022.
- b. 2022 Legislature Update – Eric Moll went over Legislature final supplemental budget highlights.
- c. Talkspace Budget Amendment – Kevin Keller joined our meeting to go over recommendation to the Commissioners to enter into an agreement with Talkspace for \$75,000 annually with a 2022 budget adjustment increase to HR purchased services in the amount of \$53,000. Talkspace offers up to 12 therapy sessions per year and engagements typically last 2 – 3 months. This will be an addition to the already existing Mason Values its People funding.

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CEO's Report (continued)

It was moved, seconded and voted to approve entering into an agreement with Talkspace and increase to HR purchased services in the amount of \$53,000.

- d. VMI Budget Amendment – Eric Moll recommended to the Commissioners to approve an increase to the 2022 operating budget in the amount of \$100,00 to engage Virginia Mason Institute to assist us improving referral management workflow.

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve to increase 2022 operating budget in the amount of \$100,000 to engage Virginia Mason to assist us improving referral management workflow.

Eric Moll shared that starting next month we will start looking at the campus master plan. Darrin Moody will be participating in this committee.

Eric Moll shared Rick Smith will be retiring at the end of the year. Eric shared how he will be rolling out this communication to his staff and the district. Congratulation, he will be missed. Don Wilson expressed what an amazing job Rick Smith has done. Gayle Weston expressed how it is fun to watch Rick's wishes come to fruition like the 5-year forecast.

Monthly Reports –

- a. Monthly Reports - Rick Smith went over the financial statements for period ended January 31, 2022. Rick reviewed highlights from the Executive Summary, noting that January had ended better than anticipated given the shutdown of surgical services due to the Omicron surge. Discussion included volume observations, cash collection improvements (accounts receivable reduction), contractual adjustments, charity care, and decreasing bad debt. Cash-on-hand has increased to 243 days, which is eleven days higher than budget. Specific revenue categories were also detailed, with changes being driven by a return to more normal operations. It is anticipated the lower clinic revenues are a temporary situation and will begin to improve by March. 340B Revenue was also discussed. Program changes are taking place nationally, with long-term impacts unknown at this time.

Old Business –

- a. COVID update - Dr. Gushee shared the current data of COVID and how the case counts are down.

New Business –

- a. Marketing Quarterly Report – Jennifer Capps joined our meeting to present “The Future of Health Care – Community Outreach & Education” presentation. Gayle Weston expressed how much she loved the March 2022 edition on “A Mason Health Miracle”. Great story! Commissioners expressed the great job Jennifer Capps, and her team are doing.
- b. Health Science Academy – Moved to a future meeting.

- c. CMS Update – Laura Grubb joined our meeting to go over a complaint that was filed against the hospital. Department of Health did an investigation on an alleged EMTALA violation. The outcome of the investigation was that the patient was seen by physician. What was missing in the record was no discharge plan therefore this was our opportunity for improvement. We have created an action plan that includes training for all our nurses in the Emergency Department regarding their role in completing an assessment, discharge planning, and vital signs within one hour of discharge by April 15, 2022. CMS was satisfied with this plan and did not request additional reporting or follow-up.

Administration Roundtable

Eric Moll shared that we are working with the collaborative on a HRSA grant that would help get MAs trained and it would

Mark Batty “thanked” the Commissioners for their attendance at Patient Access Center ribbon cutting.

Mark Batty shared that we have a local physician interviewing for a primary care position.

Mark Batty gave an update on the Rehabilitation Renovation. We should have a detailed estimate in the next couple of the weeks. How long would it take to get the permit approve?

Dr. Gushee shared we are relaxing our visitor policy but through a soft opening. 1 visitor per patient.

Dr. Gushee shared that we are getting request for job shadowing for providers and we are looking at.

Dr. Gushee shared we will be going back to the Provider & Physician Friday Social once a month starting April 1, 2022.

Adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1
OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BY: _____

Attest: _____
