



**Board of Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
Wendel Room/Linkletter Hall
August 5, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jim Leskinovitch at 4:35 pm in the Wendel Room and the meeting was immediately moved to executive session to discuss litigation by authority of RCW 40.30.110.(1)(i)(A) and personnel matters by matter of authority of RCW 40.30.110.1(g) for no more than 90 minutes. Present were Commissioners John Beitzel, Jim Cammack, Arlene Engel, Jean Hordyk, and John Nutter; Chief Executive Officer Eric Lewis; Assistant Administrators Rhonda Curry, Pamela Hawney, Julie Rukstad; Administrative Director Donna Davison; Legal Counsel Craig Miller, and Executive Assistant Gay Lynn Iseri. At 5:50 pm, the executive session concluded and the meeting continued and moved to Linkletter Hall.

At 6:00 pm the regular meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance.

SERVICE LINE UPDATE: PHYSICAL THERAPY AND REHABILITATION

Ken Berkes, Director of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation and Eric Palenik, Operations Manager, presented an update to the board including quality indicators, service indicators, procedure volumes and gross revenues from 2006 to 2009, major plans and improvements to the program, capital needs, challenges, and opportunities regarding outpatient and inpatient physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy at both locations in Sequim and Port Angeles. See attached slides.

HEALTH CARE REFORM UPDATE

Chief Executive Officer Eric Lewis updated the board on the issue of health care reform at the national level with a House and Senate update, lobbying efforts, Proposed Reform Effects on OMC, and significant items under debate such as public insurance option, independent Medicare Advisory Council and tax increases to pay for access. Problems with the proposals include lack of tort reform, geographic cost differences not addressed, lack of long term cost controls and a lack of public health focus. See attached slides.

ORGANIZATION CHART REVISION APPROVAL

Mr. Lewis requested approval of the organization chart changes moving Wound Ostomy from Human Resources to the Chief Medical Officer, moving physician recruitment from Chief Medical Officer to Strategic Communications and Marketing; moving Cardiac Services from Specialty Services to Chief Medical Officer; moving the physician component of radiology and the cancer center to Specialty Services; and moving the Sleep Lab from Specialty Services to the Chief Medical Officer.

MOTION: To approve the revisions to the organization chart as presented.

Discussion: The grant writing function continues under Marketing and Strategic Communications, but there will be no employed grant writer on staff. The MedMan Executive Director will be over the OMP Clinics and report to the Chief Medical Officer. **Motion carried.**

INPATIENT HOSPICE SERVICE

Fran Sisson, Administrator Olympic Medical Home Health, and Lorraine Wall, Chief Nursing Officer, proposed to make available inpatient hospice beds for patients at end of life who require additional care for symptom management. Ms. Wall spoke regarding care delivery and benefits to the patient. Discussion ensued around end of life care. See attached slides.

ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORDS CONSULTING AGREEMENTS & NETWORK SWITCH MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

Julie Rukstad, Chief Financial Officer, requested approval to engage ECG to provide electronic medical record implementation support using two consultants who know the business side of the project to implement the practice management side of the electronic medical records project over the next year or so.

MOTION: To authorize administration to enter into a consulting agreement with ECG to provide electronic medical record implementation support for the GE Centricity project for the total cost of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$176,270) as presented. **Motion carried.**

In addition, for inpatient EMR consulting services on the Meditech side, she requested approval to enter into a consulting agreement for consulting services for the inpatient electronic medical record implementation project.

MOTION: To authorize administration to enter into a consulting agreement with Debbie Kelly, LLC to provide Meditech consulting for the inpatient electronic medical record implementation project for SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS (720) hours over the next 18 months for the total cost of EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$87,800) as presented. **Motion carried.**

Commissioner Beitzel commended the selection and engagement of these consultants to ensure correct implementation. Mr. Lewis also noted OMC will be eligible for about \$5 million for EMR funding, but OMC will have to spend about the same to ensure success.

Ms. Rukstad then introduced the request to purchase a network maintenance agreement for the Cisco network switch with the cost still yet to be determined. Negotiations continue and will be brought to the board at a future meeting for approval.

PHYSICIAN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

Julie Rukstad, Chief Financial Officer, introduced the third amendment to the agreement with Robert Watkins, MD bringing his compensation in line with other orthopedic surgeons as he continues taking one quarter of call with the 3 other full time orthopedic surgeons.

MOTION: To approve the physician employment agreement amendment for Bob Watkins, MD amending his part time status to full time as presented for the total of THREE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$345,000) per year as presented. *Motion carried.*

SEQUIM CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT

Authorization to Bid Project

Ms. Rukstad then requested authorization to bid the Sequim Campus Development project which would be due September 1, 2009.

MOTION: To authorize administration to bid the Sequim Campus Development project with the not to exceed amount of NINE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$950,000) as presented. *Motion carried.*

Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe Cost Sharing Agreement

She then asked for approval of an agreement requiring Jamestown to reimburse OMC for half the base bid costs and the design work.

MOTION: To authorize administration to enter into the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe Cost Sharing Agreement as presented. *Motion carried.*

TRANSCRIPTION AND DICTATION SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

Ms. Rukstad requested approval of the maintenance agreement with 3M Softmed to provide transcription and dictation for the years 2010, 2011, 2012.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of the three-year 3M Softmed transcription and dictation software maintenance agreement to be paid for three years annually at FORTY NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE DOLLARS AND SIXTY SEVEN CENTS (\$49,281.67), for the total cost of ONE HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$147,845) as presented. *Motion carried.*

Commissioner Leskinovitch asked Rhonda Curry for an update on a meeting with Washington State Insurance Commissioner Mike Kreidler who spoke at the Chamber of Commerce meeting and met with a local leadership council. As a former Congressman and former CMS Region 10 representative before James Whitfield, he was able to say he had actually read all 1,000 pages of the current health reform bill. He offered thoughts around universal health care: access would not be linked to employment, program financing assistance should be provided so the burden doesn't fall solely on employers, and having the choice of a provider. The patient, employer, and the government should all be responsible for paying for coverage working together as three legs of a stool.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2009.

ATTEST:

President

Secretary

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