



**Board of Commissioners
Work Session Minutes
Linkletter Hall
March 5, 2014
12:30 p.m.**

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Board President Jim Leskinovitch and was opened with the pledge of allegiance. Also in attendance were Commissioners Jim Cammack, Jean Hordyk, John Nutter, and Tom Oblak; CEO Eric Lewis, CMO Scott Kennedy, MD, CFO Julie Rukstad, Richard Newman, chief human resource officer; Legal Counsel Craig Miller, staff, public participants and Executive Assistant Gay Lynn Iseri. Commissioners John Beitzel and John Miles, MD, were excused.

Employee Recognition – Eric Lewis, chief executive officer

Chief Nursing Officer Lorraine Wall, RN, MSN read a patient letter of commendation regarding the following employees from the Obstetrics Department: Carolynn Addleman, RN, Danielle Wagner, RN, and Joy Hauge, RN (who was not in attendance, but will be honored at a future meeting).

Next to be recognized was Amy Ahlin, lead cardiac sonographer, who was instrumental in evaluating and implementing four new echo machines this year, and helped lead the department during a time of management transition.

And finally, the Unit Readiness Project Team was recognized for helping improve the patient experience at OMC by reducing unnecessary wait times during the admission process: Mendi Sayer, RN – ICU/Tele, Myrna Dueno, RN – ICU/Tele, Bruce Schwab, RN – ED (unable to attend), Katie Hulett, RN – ED, Robin Burse, RN – Med/Surg, Denise Waters, RN – Med/Surg (unable to attend), Pam Blakeman, RN – Nursing Admin (unable to attend), Leah Hutson, RN – Clinical informatics and applications, and Michael Manley – Environmental Services. A brief presentation by Mendi, Robin and Katie followed.

Rural Residency Program - Bill Kintner, MD, OMP physician council chair

A status report was presented regarding the proposed joint rural residency program with Swedish that would train family physicians. After graduation from med school, the first year of

residency would be the equivalent of an internship at Swedish Cherry Hill followed by two years at OMC. If approved, there could be up to two residents per year beginning in 2017, with the first graduating June 30, 2019. The most common funding would depend on direct payments from Medicare.

Epic Update – Deby King, Epic implementation manager

Epic keeps getting better and better! Behind the scenes work was presented including the new ICD-10 implementation beginning October 1, 2014. A trial diagnosis calculator will begin April 1. See attached slides.

Surplus Property – Julie Rukstad, chief financial officer

MOTION: To approve the property listed on pages 1-3 of the board packet as surplus as presented. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Advocacy Update – Eric Lewis, chief executive officer

The Sole Community Hospital Bill was approved out of committee on Saturday. The full House will vote next. There is growing opposition and complexities, and more votes in the House are being lobbied. Another trip is being planned with members of Administration and SEIU 1199 NW Union employees. If passed, the bill would increase the amount of reimbursement for the cost of care from 55% to 70% from the State. Support from State Legislators, SEIU1199 and UFCW have been critical.

At 1:35 pm, the meeting concluded and after a five minute break was moved to executive session for twenty minutes to discuss negotiations pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) and real estate pursuant to RCW 42.30.110.(1)(b) with no action to follow. At 2:00 pm, the executive session concluded, and the meeting was moved to open session and finally adjourned.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of March, 2014.

ATTEST:


Secretary

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President



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