

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Lower Umpqua Hospital District (LUHD)
Wednesday, September 25, 2024, 7:30 a.m.
Main Conference Room or
Via Teams audio conference call
Dial: 1-323-694-9833
Audio conference ID: 124 229 680#



MINUTES

The board members in attendance include Ron Kreskey Chair, Cheryl Young, Vice Chair, Leon Bridge, Treasurer, Karen Bedard and Brenda Fraley, Director.

Others in attendance include Stephanie Miller, John Chivers, Melissa Cribbins, Hospital attorney, Dr. Jason Sargent, Ken Landau, Jennifer Green, Kaley Sweet, Deanna Prater, Julia Floyd, Renae Mefferd, Kaley Sweet, and Mary Chambers.

Those employees and members of the public joining by phone include Rhiannon Manicke, Svetlana Melnik, Dr. David Candelaria, Hospitalist.

- I. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS
Board Chair Kreskey called the meeting to order at 7:30 am.
- II. VISITOR'S AGENDA
No visitors.
- III. CONSENT AGENDA – Approve the following:
 - A. Board of Directors Meeting Agenda September 25, 2024
 - B. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes August 28, 2024
 - C. Resolution 24-13 authorization to set aside for October 2024 expenditures
 - D. Committee Minutes:
 - 1. Planning Committee Minutes - August 21, 2024
 - 2. Financial Advisory Committee Minutes - July 23, 2024
 - E. Medical Staff Credentialing

After discussion, Board member Young moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Board member Bridge seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously (5 - 0).

- IV. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS
 - A. Quality/Risk Report – Julia Floyd
 - 1. See report.
 - 2. Question about Therapy dog program – need to develop annual competencies.
 - 3. DNV Survey results are due to us.
 - B. Compliance Report – Renae Mefferd
 - 1. See report.
 - C. Employee Health/Infection Control/Safety – Deanna Prater
 - 1. See report.
 - 2. Measles -5 cases in Portland; none here; put out advisory to our providers.

- D. Nursing Services Report – Jennifer Green, CNO
 - 1. See report.
 - 2. Recommendation from nursing leadership for Deanna Prater, BSN, RN to be appointed by the LUHD Board of Directors to the role of Director of Infection Control. This recommendation was approved by the Medical Staff at the meeting on 9/20/2024.
- E. Medical Staff Report – Dr. Jason Sargent
 - 1. See handout.
 - 2. Robotic knee – assisted device to ensure precision cuts
 - 3. Reciprocal Peer Review – in process of review and approval.
 - 4. Pilot ‘Remote scribing service’ – a tele-staffing service
 - 5. Medical Staff – tele-hospitalist group discussion and opportunity for medical staff to weigh in; wants to ensure that board is aware of their potential concerns; Sargent to draft letter that all medical staff intends to sign. Would also change medical school students – teach to a lesser degree – less robust; chips away at job satisfaction with fewer colleagues on site.
 - 6. Difficult to know what’s going to happen when it happens; owned by a private equity group and how might their strategic goals impact us.
- F. Public Relations/Foundation – Kaley Sweet
 - 1. See handout.
- G. Human Resources – Holly Tavernier
 - 1. See report.
 - 2. Kudos to Jennifer Green CNO and Director Quality & Risk for their exemplary work orchestrating and delivering our CMS survey response.
- H. Ancillary Services – Jen Levy
 - 1. See report.
- I. Finance Report and Financials – Ken Landau
 - 1. See packet notes and financial reports.
- J. Administrator Report – John Chivers
 - 1. See report.
 - 2. Save the dates – Sat. Oct 19th, 3pm, for LUHD 70th Anniversary event.
 - 3. Legal – Tammy Bishop case trial has been post-poned to March 2025.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Appoint Infection Control Officer, Deanna Prater – approve appointment

After discussion by Jennifer Green, Board member Kreskey moved to approve the appointment of Deanna Prater as Infection Control Officer as recommended by the Medical Staff and Chief Nursing Officer Jennifer Green. Board member Young seconded the motion, and it passed (5 - 0).

Infection Control Charter – approve

After discussion by Jennifer Green, Board member Bedard moved to approve the Infection Control Charter as recommended Chief Nursing Officer Jennifer Green. Board member Young seconded the motion, and it passed (5 - 0).

B. Board – meeting dates.

1. Board meeting Nov/Dec – select new date
 - 1) Stephanie Miller to email board members for their availability.
2. Board Breakfast – 10/31/2024
 - 1) Board members are invited to participate.
3. Planning and Financial Advisory Committee meetings in Nov/Dec
 - 1) Stephanie Miller to email board members for their availability.

Board Chair Kreskey adjourned the regular board meeting and called the Executive Session to order at 8:42am.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

192.660. (1) ORS 192.610 to 192.690 do not prevent the governing body of a public body from holding executive session during a regular, special, or emergency meeting, after the presiding officer has identified the authorization under ORS 192.610 to 192.690 for holding the executive session.

(2) The governing body of a public body may hold an executive session:

- (a) To consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.
- (f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.
- (h) To consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

VII. RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE BOARD

Board Chair Kreskey adjourned the Executive Session and called the regular session back into order at 9:25 am. No further Board action was required.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Kreskey adjourned the Board meeting at 9:25 am.