

**CHELAN COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT No. 2
LAKE CHELAN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**

**March 22, 2011 – LCCH BOARD ROOM
1:30 PM – 3:07 PM**

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

David Dickes, Chairman, called meeting to order at 1:30pm

Members Present:

David Dickes, Chairman
Tom Warren, Commissioner
Jim Wall, Vice Chairman
Fred Miller, Commissioner
Denny Evans, Secretary

Others in Attendance:

Kevin Abel, CEO	Lee Tinsley, Emp. Health/Infection Ctrl/URM
Celeste Thomas, Marketing/Pub. Relations	Agustin Benegas, Quality Assurance Coor.
Terry Johnson, Environmental Svc	Jerri Dion, Business Office Manager
Judy Moser, Credit Services	Sue Young, Mgr., Radiology
Emmit Aston, Foundation Rep.	Kerry Stewart, ER Trauma Coor.
Karl Jonasson, EMS Director	Jane Jedwabny, Sanctuary Program Director
Ross Hurd, CIO	Carolyn Hood, Human Relations Assistant
Valerie Rife, Intake Coor.	Carol Velasquez, CNO
Carrie Drager, Reporter Lake Chelan Mirror	Stan Morris, Attorney at Law
DeLynn Cook, Director of HR & RM	

REVIEW OF MISSION:

Our Business is Healthcare. Our Mission is to provide healing and wellness opportunities with care, compassion and dignity.

CONSENT AGENDA:

It was m/s/c to approve the Consent Agenda as presented

1. Board Minutes of February 22, 2011
2. Financial & Business Office Report
3. Vouchers/Warrants: \$586,214.86 in payroll direct deposits; \$681,182.15 in accounts payable and payroll, registers #173601 to #174039.
4. Write-Offs: \$148,302.55 in bad debts for referral to collections agency(ies) per LCCH policy, Charity Care: \$19,405.22, Bankruptcy: \$21,681.19, with combined total of \$189,388.96.
5. Policy 10.64 Records and Policy 35.20 Purchasing

SPECIAL REPORTS:

- Planetree Presentation – Agustin Benegas: Agustin explained the philosophy behind Planetree as “patient centered care”. The program started in Jan 2009. Our accomplishments have been many in a very short time, i.e. aromatherapy, painting patient’s rooms, update waiting room, etc. We

are moving forward, with the continuation of updating the patient rooms, landscaping and a possible hospital garden.

- Lake Chelan Community Apartments Appraisal – The Board discussed the Pacific Appraisal Associates report on the apartment complex. Kevin stated that Blue Mountain is in the process of completing the environmental report and Zeck Butler Architects has scheduled the capital needs assessment.

STATE OF THE HOSPITAL REPORTS

Quality Report –DeLynn Cook

- Re-evaluating quality program and moving in the direction of paperless.
- Kerry Stewart was named employee of the year for 2010.
- The State is requiring a notice to be posted that newborns can be dropped off at Hospitals, Clinics, and Fire Departments up to the first 72 hours.

Chief Nursing Officer – Carol Velasquez, CNO

- A contract was signed with Summit Pacific for speech and occupational therapy services.
- LCCH received Trauma IV service award letter.
- Nursing to implement Safe Drop Off for Newborns to include policy and education.

Chief Medical Officer –Dr. John Kremer, CMO

- Board Rounds with Dr. Kremer will be Mar 31st @ 8:00am. Tom Warren & Fred Miller will be attending.
- Merritt Hawkins, a recruiting firm has initiated the search for an ER physician.
- WSHA is promoting a program for the awareness of inappropriate and excessive use of ER services. LCCH will need to draft a policy to be consistent with the state guidelines for ER services.
- A proposal is being submitted to Med Staff for their approval to initiate the Hypo-thermal program. This program would begin in the ER to start the process of cooling the body temperature to between 32-34° for the first 24 hours after a trauma incident for transport to Wenatchee, Spokane or Seattle.
- We will be participating in a table top Disaster Preparedness drill to simulate a full blown disaster at the Toyota Center.

Chief Executive Officer – Kevin Abel, CEO

- Welcome Carol Velasquez as our new Chief Nursing Officer.
- Loveridge, Hunt & Co. have completed the first draft of 2010 Lake Chelan Community Apartments audit.
- Our YTD for February net income is at \$43,229.
- Nursing salaries need to be increased by 5% to keep LCCH at mid-range and competitive with other facilities.
- CPSI Site Visit Contract benefits us by saving 40% off software and 5% off existing maintenance contract and free onsite training.
- We are presently looking for clinic space in Chelan for the Caribou Trail Orthopedic Surgeon.
- Washington House & Senate have approved legislation that allows hospitals to fundraise similar to Universities.
- Board Strategic Planning Retreat will be June 22nd at Andante's Restaurant.

- **OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

- Items: Action m/s/c to approve:
- Resolution 478 Surplus Property
- Resolution 479 Records Index
- Resolution 480 403b Trustee
- Credentialing the following Providers.
 Craig Elsner, PA-C – Emergency Room

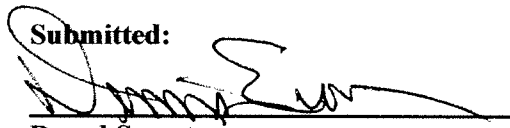
- **OTHER BUSINESS**

AUDIENCE:

- Emmit Aston from the Foundation stated that over the years over \$700,000 has been delivered in Bragg Fund Medical Scholarships..
- Sandy Calico is the new member with the Foundation
- Foundation Retreat will be on Apr 30th @ 8:00am

- **ADJOURNMENT:**

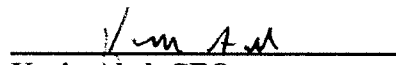
Meeting adjourned @ 3:07 p.m.

Submitted:


Board Secretary

4/26/11

Date

Attest:


Kevin Abel, CEO

4/26/2011

Date