

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF OAK VALLEY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
OPEN SESSION
September 3, 2020, 5:30p.m.
1425 West H Street, Oakdale, CA 95361
Royal Oak Conference Room**

Board

Dan Cummins, Chair Person
Louise Sanders, Vice Chair Person
Jim Teter, Director
Edward Chock, M.D., Director
Chet Mahida, M.D., Director

Excused Absence:

Staff

John McCormick, President & C.E.O.
Ann Croskrey, CFO
Bruce Blackhart, M.D., Chief of Staff

Via Teleconference:

Deborah Dunaj, R.N., V.P., Quality & Risk Mgmt.
Jo Saporito, R.N., V.P., Nursing Services
David Rodrigues, V.P., Administrative Services
Dave Hiatt, V.P., Oakdale Nursing & Rehab Ctr.

Excused Absence:

CALLED TO ORDER

The District Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by Chair Person Cummins at 5:30p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment read. No public in attendance.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items, 1-4, will be acted on by one action, with discussion, unless a Director or other person requests that an item be considered separately. In the event of such a request, the item will be addressed, considered and acted upon separately.

1. Patient Care Services Report

Joann Saporito, R.N., Vice President, Nursing Services

2. Oakdale Nursing and Rehabilitation Center Report

David Hiatt, V.P., Oakdale Nursing and Rehabilitation Center

3. Approval of Administrative Policies - None

4. Approval of Minutes -

- August 6, 2020 – General Meeting

Edward Chock, M.D. made the motion to approve all Consent Calendar items. Chet Mahida, M.D. made the second. No public input.

Aye: Cummins, Sanders, Teter, Chock, Mahida

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

MOTION CARRIED

MEDICAL STAFF REPORT – Bruce Blackhart, M.D., Chief of Staff

The Medical Executive Committee requests the District Board’s approval of the following items forwarded from the August 18, 2020 meetings:

Forms

- A. Form0919 Restraints – Violent Behavior

Infection Control Manual

- A. Orientation/Reorientation Infection Control/Employee Health
- B. Respiratory Therapy Powered Air-Purifying Respirators (PAPR), Use, Care and Maintenance

Pharmacy Manual

- A. Sterile Compounded Admixture-Sterile Preparations

Louise Sanders made the motion to approve the Medical Staff Reports for August 18, 2020. Edward Chock, M.D. made the second. No public input.

- Aye: Cummins, Sanders, Teter, Chock, Mahida
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Absent:

MOTION CARRIED

Financial Report for July 2020

Ann Croskrey, CFO presented the July 2020 Financial Report. During the month of June the District posted a profit on operations before new hospital expenses of \$657,000. The EBIDA was 12.2%. Days of cash on hand were 125 days for the month of July.

Louise Sanders made the motion to approve the Financial Reports for July 2020. Edward Chock, M.D. made the second. No public input.

- Aye: Cummins, Sanders, Teter, Chock, Mahida
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Absent:

MOTION CARRIED

Charity Care Cases

Ann Croskrey, CFO reported the Finance Committee recommends approval of one (1) Charity Care case with a total amount of \$12,956.06.

Chet Mahida, M.D. made the motion to approve one (1) Charity Care case with a total amount of \$12,956.06. Edward Chock, M.D. made the second. No public Input.

- Aye: Cummins, Sanders, Teter, Chock, Mahida
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Absent:

MOTION CARRIED

CHAIR PERSON REPORT – Dan Cummins, Chairperson

Chair Person Comments

Chair Person Cummins complimented the hospital staff and Administration on the wonderful job they are doing during the pandemic situation. He also commented on the remarkable EBIDA retention we have been able to maintain.

PRESIDENT AND CEO REPORT - John McCormick, President and Chief Executive

Purchase Echo Machine at a Cost Not To Exceed \$85,000 - Update on Program

Requesting approval to purchase an Echo Machine at a cost not to exceed \$85,000. This non-invasive service would improve patient care and provide additional revenue to the hospital.

Jim Teter made the motion to purchase an Echo Machine at a cost not to exceed \$85,000. Edward Chock, MD made the second. No public input.

Aye: Cummins, Sanders, Teter, Chock, Mahida

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

MOTION CARRIED

SacPower Quote at a Cost Not To Exceed \$27,000

Request to enhance the computer system's power with an upgrade to our equipment in the Central Utility Plant located in the new hospital at a cost not to exceed \$27,000.

Edward Chock, M.D. made the motion to purchase the equipment to replace the power supply for computer systems at a cost not to exceed \$27,000. Louise Sanders made the second. No public input.

Aye: Cummins, Sanders, Teter, Chock, Mahida

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

MOTION CARRIED

Sell Oak Valley Hospital District Owned Golf Carts at a Cost of \$3,000

For safety reasons we are replacing four (4) of our golf carts with small automobiles. Request to sell hospital owned Golf Carts for a total of \$3,000. This total will include shipping costs to the Company purchasing the Golf Carts.

Jim Teter made the motion to sell four (4) Hospital owned Golf Carts at a cost of \$3,000. Chet Mahida, M.D. and Edward Chock, M.D. made the second.

MOTION CARRIED

Update on In-house Dialysis Program

Jo Saporito, R.N., Vice President of Nursing Services will be meeting with the Vice-President of Nursing at Washington Township Hospital to coordinate training for our nursing staff regarding this new Program. This new service will be presented to the Medical Executive Committee for approval. Jose Mari Santos, M.D. (Nephrology) will be the Medical Director of this program.

Update on COVID-19 Pandemic

We are seeing fewer hospitalizations but there was some activity during the month of August. Our priority is to keep our employees safe. One of the acute care employees tested positive. Rules and direction from the State are always forthcoming. We have not recycled any PPE for our staff. The Purchasing Dept. has done a very good job obtaining Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). If an employee tests positive we have to test all employees for 3 weeks straight until no tests are positive. We have spent over \$100,000 on testing costs. One employee at the Long Term Care center tested positive last week and 1 tested positive this week. There have been no lay-offs and 5 months of Loyalty Pay has been given to our employees. We anticipate this pandemic mode will continue until early February or early March while awaiting a vaccination.

Update on Various Projects.

New Washer in the Surgical Suite

Construction for the new Washer in the Surgical Suite is scheduled for October 5th with a completion date of November 24, 2020. The project being categorized as an emergency due to the Pandemic assisted in the completion date occurring much sooner than the original date of June 2021.

Surgeons from Washington Township Hospital

A meeting with the Urologist has been scheduled for September 14th with contract terms being finalized. A Vascular surgeon from Washington Township Hospital is also interested in working part-time at our hospital. Meetings with this physician will begin after completion of the Urology program.

The Stroke Program is scheduled for April 1, 2021. Deborah Dunaj, R.N., V.P., Quality & Risk Management is overseeing this program. Jo Saporito, R.N., V.P. of Nursing is overseeing the In-house Dialysis program.

Joint Commission preparation is at hand. Consultants will be hired to prepare for the survey.

Legislative Update (distributed at meeting)

There are 2 different bills regarding supply of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). SB 275 is sponsored by the labor union SEIU and would require hospitals to stockpile months of supplies at each facility. AB 2537 is sponsored by a different union and accounts for different facility types. The industry is waiting to see which approach the Governor favors.

Senate Bill 977, give the Attorney General power to Veto healthcare mergers and acquisitions. It is still in the hearing process on the Assembly Floor. The California Hospital Association (CHA) is opposing this Bill.

AB 890 gives Nurse Practitioners the authority to see patients without a physician's direction. It is at the Governor's desk for signature or veto. California Medical Association (CMA) is opposing this Bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Edward Chock, M.D. made the motion to adjourn to closed session. Chet Mahida, M.D. made the second.

AYES: Cummins, Sanders, Teter, Chock, Mahida

NOES:

ABSTAINED:

ABSENT:

MOTION CARRIED

The Oak Valley Hospital District meeting was adjourned to closed session at 5:58p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

Board meeting minutes – August 6, 2020 Regular Meeting – Approved

Medical Staff Credential Report - Approved

President and C.E.O. Report – Personnel Update – Presented

Conferences with Real Property Negotiators – Update Presented

Report Involving Trade Secrets - Presented

Public Employee Performance Evaluation – President and C.E.O. - Discussed

The Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 7:15p.m.

Recorder: Jill Andersen, Clerk of the Board.

APPROVED: _____
Edward Chock, M.D., Board Secretary

DATE: _____