

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF OAK VALLEY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
OPEN SESSION
February 4, 2021, 5:30p.m.
1425 West H Street, Oakdale, CA 95361
Royal Oak Conference Room**

Board

Dan Cummins, Chair Person
Edward Chock, M.D., Director
Chet Mahida, M.D., Director

Staff

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

Via Teleconference:

Louise Sanders, Vice-Chairperson
Jim Teter, Director

Via Teleconference:

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

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 -

- January 14, 2021 – Regular Meeting
- January 26, 2021 – Special Meeting

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

Roll Call by Jill Andersen, Clerk of the Board:

Cummins – Aye
Chock – Aye
Mahida – Aye
Sanders – Aye
Teter – Aye

MOTION CARRIED

MEDICAL STAFF REPORT – Andrea Stark, M.D., Chief of Staff

The Medical Executive Committee requests the District Board’s approval of the following items forwarded from the January 19, 2021 meetings:

- A. **Forms**
 - i. Form 0221 – Leaving Hospital Against Medical Advice (PPF 12/02/2020)

- B. **Policies**
 - i. Clinical Manual
 - Respiratory Protocol & Artificial Airway Management (PPF 12/02/2020)
 - The Use of Chaperones During Sensitive Examinations and Procedures (PPF 11/04/2020)

- C. **Nomination- Vice Chairperson; Credentials Committee**
 - i. Lee Horwitz, MD

Chet Mahida, M.D. made the motion to approve the Medical Staff Report. Edward Chock, M.D. made the second. No public input.

Roll Call by Jill Andersen, Clerk of the Board:

- Cummins – Aye
- Chock – Aye
- Mahida – Aye
- Sanders – Aye
- Teter – Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Financial Report for December 2020

Ann Croskrey, CFO presented the December 2020 Financial Report. During the month of December we had higher than normal acute in-patient volumes and lower than normal out-patient volumes due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Acute care staffing was stretched thin with high volumes and some staff out sick. Even with increased expenses due to the COVID pandemic, during the month of December the District posted a profit on operations before the new hospital expenses of \$319,000. EBIDA was at 8 % in December. Year-to-date EBIDA at the end of December was 9.9 % as compared to 12.5 % at the end of December last year. Our days of cash on hand for the month of December was 87 days.

Edward Chock, M.D. made the motion to approve the Financial Reports for December 2020. Chet Mahida, M.D. made the second. No public input.

Roll Call by Jill Andersen, Clerk of the Board:

- Cummins – Aye
- Chock – Aye
- Mahida – Aye
- Sanders – Aye
- Teter – Aye

MOTION CARRIED

CHAIR PERSON REPORT – Dan Cummins, Chairperson

Chair Person Comments

No Report.

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

Echocardiogram Program

The Echocardiogram Program is in place with a panel of 11 Cardiologists from Washington Township Hospital. The first patient is scheduled next week. This is a very positive step for Oak Valley Hospital District.

New Radiologists

Our new Radiology Group providing Nighthawk Service was in effect as of Sunday night with a very smooth transition.

Update on COVID-19

It has been 360 days since Santa Clara was the first County in the State of California to declare an emergency for COVID-19. Since that time, there have been 3.3 million positive cases reported with 42,000 deaths. Hospitals are being stressed on space, supplies and staff. Blue Shield will be the Administrator of the Vaccine Program. Our employees and physicians have done an admirable job regarding the pandemic situation. We have had approximately 81 patients since April that have tested positive. This number does not include patients with symptoms or out-patient testing. The cost impact of the Pandemic has been \$750,000 in the last 6-months and we will spend well over \$1 million on additional testing for the Skilled Nursing residents and staff. State mandated supplies requiring hospitals to have 3 months of PPE available has required additional storage space. The Emergency Room Department and our Clinics have experienced a decrease in volume. Telehealth services in the Clinics are being utilized. Herd Immunity would require 70-80% of the Country to receive vaccinations in order to take effect. To date, our hospital vaccination rate is approximately 50%. The number of hospital employees testing positive has significantly declined.

Legislative Update (distributed at meeting)

Congress

Several key healthcare issues are currently under review by the Senate. These issues include Telehealth funding, Public Health funding, Surprise Billing, Drug pricing and Health care coverage reform.

Stimulus Package

The Republican plan is \$618 billion; the Democrat plan is \$1.9 trillion. The Democrat plan allocates funding for States and individuals, public health and fighting COVID-19. Major difference is the Republican plan offers no funds for the States. Congress has passed nearly \$4 trillion in assistance since the beginning of the pandemic.

Other Items

Medicare is now scheduled to be out of money in 2024 instead of 2026. President Biden has said no Medicare for all but probably will be the last Democrat President with such a platform. More value based care opportunities to save funding are forthcoming. Inpatient growth will be flat but outpatient growth due to technology, population shift of the Baby Boomers (more of them turning 65) will be at least 10%.

Budget

The overall Medi-Cal budget for fiscal year 2021-2022 is \$122.2 billion. The budget assumes that 15.6 million people in California, nearly 40% of the State’s population will be enrolled in Medi-Cal. One focus on the budget is to reform the Medi-Cal program and will be allocating \$1.1 billion to implement a new program to make MediCal less costly. It is estimated that 2.7 million Californians remain uninsured, including 1.2 million who are eligible for financial health from Covered California or through Medi-Cal so we do anticipate a reduction in our self-pay revenue.

ADJOURNMENT

Jim Teter made the motion to adjourn to closed session. Edward Chock, M.D. made the second.

Roll Call by Jill Andersen, Clerk of the Board:

- Cummins – Aye
- Chock – Aye
- Mahida – Aye
- Sanders – Aye
- Teter – Aye

MOTION CARRIED

The Oak Valley Hospital District meeting was adjourned to closed session at 5:55p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

Board meeting minutes - Approved

- o January 14, 2021 (Regular Meeting)
- o January 26, 2021 (Special Meeting)

Conferences with Real Property Negotiators – Update presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Chet Mahida, M.D. made the motion to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting. Edward Chock, M.D. made the second.

Roll Call by Jill Andersen, Clerk of the Board:

- Cummins – Aye
- Chock – Aye
- Mahida – Aye
- Sanders – Aye
- Teter – Aye

MOTION CARRIED

The Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 6:10p.m.

Recorder: Jill Andersen, Clerk of the Board.

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

DATE: _____