

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF OAK VALLEY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
OPEN SESSION  
May 12, 2022, 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

**Staff**

John McCormick, President & C.E.O.  
Ann Croskrey, CFO  
Andres Arellano, M.D., Vice Chief of Staff

**Via Teleconference**

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

**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** - None
2. **Oakdale Nursing and Rehabilitation Center Report**  
David Hiatt, V.P., Oakdale Nursing and Rehabilitation Center
3. **Approval of Administrative Policies**
  - Clinics Pathology Monitoring Tracking and Flu Policy (Oak Valley Community Health Centers Manual)
  - Mandatory Tuberculosis (TB) and Respirator Fit Testing (Human Resources)
  - Code Triage: Emergency Alert – Internal/External (Emergency Operations All Hazards Manual)
4. **Approval of Minutes**
  - March 3, 2022 – Regular Meeting
  - April 7, 2022 – Regular Meeting

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

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MEDICAL STAFF REPORT – Andres Arellano, M.D., Vice Chief of Staff**

**The Medical Executive Committee requests the District Board’s approval of the following items forwarded from the April 19, 2022 meeting.**

**Forms/Policies**

The following forms and policies have been revised to meet current required The Joint Commission and CMS standards. They have been thoroughly reviewed by the Policy, Procedures and Forms (PPF) Committee and appropriate Medical Staff Committees. Point of Care Documentation

**FORMS**

- A. Form 1019 Nursing Adult Sepsis Screening and Diagnostic Order Set

**POLICIES**

- A. Administrative Manual
  - i. Orientation and Oversight of New Allied Health Professionals in the Emergency Department
  - ii. Patient Grievance Complaint Process
    - Replacing Patient Complaint/ Concern/Resolution which is being Retired
- B. Radiology Manual
  - i. Cidex OPA Solution and Test Strips
  - ii. Contrast (Intravenous & Technologist Venipuncture Scope)
  - iii. Contrast Reaction and Cardiac Arrest Procedure
  - iv. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Service
  - v. Operation of Medical Imaging Equipment
  - vi. Personnel Monitoring, Film Badges
  - vii. Quality Control Program
  - viii. Radiographic Contrast Media

**OTHER**

- A. Title 16, CCR, Section 1399.540
  - i. PA Practice Agreement
    - Emergency Medicine
    - Community Health Center
  - ii. PA Privileges
    - Emergency Medicine

- Community Health Center

Chet Mahida, M.D. made the motion to approve April 19, 2022 Medical Staff Reports.  
Edward Chock, M.D. made the second. No public input.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Financial Report for March 2022**

Ann Croskrey, CFO presented the March 2022 Financial Report. In March the District posted a profit on operations before the new hospital expenses of \$357,000. The year-to-date earnings before interest and depreciation (EBIDA), was at 13.7% at the end of March. For this fiscal year the hospital has net operating income of \$1.9 million. Accounts receivable gross days were at 59 days and our days of cash on hand was at 129 days.

Chet Mahida, M.D. made the motion to approve the Financial Reports for March 2022. Louise Sanders made the second. No public input.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**CHAIR PERSON REPORT – Dan Cummins, Chairperson**

**Chair Person Comments**

No Report.

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

**Emergency Department Rate Increase**

Request to increase Emergency Department rates up to 9% for higher level patients.

Jim Teter made the motion to approve the Emergency Department Rate Increase. Edward Chock, M.D. made the second. No public input.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **Radiologist Contract**

Notice of resignation was received from our current Radiologist group. We are considering a Radiologist group currently working with St. Joseph's Hospital in Stockton, Mark Twain Hospital, and other smaller hospitals in the Central Valley. There would be a change of service to "Teleradiology" with a savings of over \$100,000. Consideration to utilize teleradiology services is due to the limited volume of interventional radiology cases performed at our hospital.

### **Update on Clinics**

A second Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) has been hired for the Clinics, which provides us 2 LCSW's and 1 Part-time Psychologist for our Clinics. In addition, we received a Grant to purchase a Retina Scan machine, which will provide a new service for Clinic patients and increase government reimbursement rates.

### **Update on Presentation from Last Board Meeting on Opioids**

During the last Board meeting a member of the public addressed the Members concerning the current opioid situation in our area and requested consideration of hospital patients receiving information about counseling services. There have been a few conversations with this group, but the matter had to be placed on hold due to urgent hospital staffing issues.

### **COVID-19 Update**

The Los Angeles Times reported case rates are climbing. Another surge is possible this summer due to Graduations and the Memorial Day holiday. State mandated regulations continue concerning employee masking requirements. The State also requires vaccination policies and proof of employee vaccinations and booster shots.

### **Legislative Update**

#### **Medical Malpractice Bill 35**

Bill 35 will adjust MICRA's cap on non-economic damages. The new law will increase the maximum exposure amount from \$250,000 to \$350,000 for non-death cases and \$500,000 from wrongful death cases effective January 1, 2023. The proposal also creates three (3) separate categories of cap. It is anticipated the Governor will sign this Bill.

#### **Health Facility Reporting for Staffing, Senate Bill 637**

Bill 637 requires hospitals to submit weekly reports regarding staffing issues concerning national exposure (i.e., COVID-19) and report once a month during non-eventful times.

John reported to the Board regarding various positions he has held, and the duties performed during his affiliation with District Hospital Leadership Forum (DHLF); Hospital Council of Northern and Central California (HCNCC) and BETA Insurance, the organization that provides overall general liability insurance for the hospital.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Jim Teter made the motion to adjourn to closed session. Edward Chock, M.D. made the second. No public input.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Oak Valley Hospital District meeting was adjourned to closed session at 5:50p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Board meeting minutes - Approved

- April 7, 2022 – Regular Meeting

Medical Staff Credentials Report - Approved

President and C.E.O. Report - Personnel & Quality Issues in Clinics

Conferences with Real Property Negotiators – No changes

**ADJOURNMENT**

Jim Teter made the motion to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting. Edward Chock, M.D. made the second. No public input.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 6:20p.m.

Recorder: Jill Andersen, Clerk of the Board.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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Edward Chock, M.D., Secretary

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