

# North Valley Hospital District

Okanogan County Public Hospital District No. 4

North Valley Hospital/Clinic Division; and North Valley Long Term Care Division

The public is invited to attend in person or virtually with Google Meet:

**\*The physical location of this meeting will be in the Clinical Training Lab, in the Verbeck Building Basement\***

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## Board of Commissioners Regular Board Meeting

*February 23, 2023 7:00 PM*

### Vision

Exceptional care that enhances the well-being of our communities.

### Mission

Cultivate healthcare rooted in compassion, stewardship, and excellence.

### Values

Trust-Accountability-Integrity-Safety-Diversity-Viability

Board Members in attendance:

Jean Pfeifer, President                      Adam Tibbs  
Jerry Bradley, VP                              Vicki Lewis  
Dick Larson, Secretary

**Call to Order-** J. Pfeifer called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, welcomed the public, and read the Vision, Mission, Values statement.

### Minutes

**I. Public Participation** – according to Resolution No. 488-Public Participation Policy  
J. Pfeifer asked for comments from the public, there were none.

**II. Reports:**

**a. Administration Report**

In addition to the written report, John McReynolds, CEO, reported that an HR Director candidate will be onsite on Friday to tour the facility. He also shared the date of the memorial service for Jan Gonzales, former HR Director. J. McReynolds noted that the February Building and Planning meeting was canceled but, since then, the District received a completed report from the insurance company regarding the recent water

damage, and mentioned the mediation company expressed interest in completing repairs.

**b. Committee Reports**

- i. Foundation- Commissioner Lewis reported Foundation bylaws are still under review; Foundation officer elections are taking place. She is also suggesting Foundation scholarship recipients have their photo taken when awarded to share with the public.
- ii. Long Range Focus- Commissioner Lewis will submit an article for the spring newsletter.
- iii. Medical Staff- Commissioner Larson noted everything is going well with medical staff. He and Commissioner Lewis commented on the process for providers to be set up to ePrescribe.
- iv. Building & Planning- No report, meeting was canceled.
- v. Safety- No report, meeting was canceled.
- vi. Finance- Commissioner Tibbs reported Cerner implementation was discussed and that the team is working on setting a new implementation date, and other finance topics are addressed in the agenda.
- vii. CQI- No report, quarterly meeting.

**c. Financial Report**

A. Ulrich, CFO, recapped the submitted financial report, noting the District has approximately \$8.6M, equal to 100 Days Cash on Hand, in the bank as of January 31, 2023. He reported the Finance committee reviewed a timeline for financing the construction project and that finance related resolutions would be presented to the Board, possibly in March. A. Ulrich spoke on the relation of payor mix to contractual adjustments and noted for the month of December 2022 the hospital recorded a gain of \$214k and loss of -\$65k in the EC; for YTD 2022 the District recorded a combined loss of \$810k. J. Pfeifer added that A. Ulrich provided, and the committee reviewed, Extended Care(EC) AR balances. A. Ulrich explained that Victor O., EC Director works with Bill C., EC RSM, on managing balances.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes: January 26, 2023  
A. Tibbs moved, D. Larson seconded, to approve the minutes of January 26, 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Consent Agenda:**

- a. Charity Care \$ 33,336.62
- b. Bad Debt \$ 54,860.52
- c. NVH A/P Vouchers No. 117707-117937 \$ 1,870,340.15
- d. LTC A/P Vouchers No. 21491-21548 \$ 347,200.84

D. Larson moved, V. Lewis seconded, to approve consent agenda items a. through d. Motion passed unanimously.

**V. Old Business:**

**a. Discussion of Potential Construction Projects**

J. McReynolds

J. McReynolds, CEO, spoke about the design and contracting pieces of the project. He explained challenges with the DOH approval process and its impact on the USDA grant process. He is working on getting outstanding issues resolved quickly.

J. McReynolds noted a draft contract is under legal review, the district is looking for opportunities for cost savings, adherence to DOH and USDA requirements, and to make sure NVH interest is protected. He also noted the District is waiting for a schedule for when the Trane HVAC unit will be built and that financing work is happening concurrently.

**VI. New Business**

**a. Medical Staff Appointments**

**Courtesy Appointment**

Nicholas Finlinson, CRNA – LocumTenens

**Courtesy Reappointment**

Krystina Boyko, MD – Confluence (for Extended Care)

Shari Jackson, MD – Radia

Mark Koenig, MD – Radia

Samantha Lancaster, MD – Radia

Mark Mayhle, MD – Radia

Brandt Mohr, MD – Radia

Mark Turpin, DO – Confluence (for Extended Care)

Carter F. Yeatman, MD - Radia

D. Larson read the list of providers noting they have been reviewed and approved by Medical Staff, he recommended approval as applied for. J. Bradley moved, A. Tibbs seconded, to approve the appointments as applied for. Motion passed unanimously.

**b. 2023 Compliance Plan**

J. McReynolds summarized the submitted Compliance Plan. He explained the plan is used to guide rules, regulations, and areas of risk in the district and is a living document based on seven elements of an effective compliance program. The report is to help the Board understand what is being discussed at the compliance meetings and provide an opportunity to add areas of concern. After further discussion, J. Bradley moved, A. Tibbs seconded to endorse the 2023 Compliance Plan. Motion passed unanimously.

**c. Strategic Planning**

J. McReynolds

J. McReynolds spoke on the upcoming strategic planning timeline and asked the Board to identify two members to represent the Board and set the meeting dates. After discussion, V. Lewis and J. Pfeifer will represent the Board, A. Tibbs volunteered as an alternate. The meeting dates will be:

- Wed./Thu., April 19-20, 2023 Kickoff Meetings
- Wed., May 17, 2023 Working Sessions
- Tue., July 11, 2023 Board Retreat.

**d. Equipment Request- Extended Care Nurse Call System**

J. McReynolds noted the request did not go to the finance committee as the issue was identified after the meeting. He spoke on the intermittent problem that affects the east wing of the EC, current set up and temporary fix, stating the system is working, but fragile and is a patient safety and regulatory concern. J. McReynolds also explained the desire to use the current system vendor to upgrade the system. There was additional discussion on the timeline for the upgrade, and potential future costs. The existing unit is no longer supported. Victor Odiakosa, EC Director, shared a recent example of the issue.

J. Bradley moved, A. Tibbs seconded, to move forward with the submitted quote and existing vendor. Motion passed unanimously.

**e. Board Education-**

The Commissioners discussed the two educational webinars that Commissioner Pfeifer, at the January meeting, suggested they view: 2023 WSHA Rules of the Road & Engaging Boards in Strategic Planning.

**VII. Adjournment:** J. Pfeifer adjourned the meeting at 8:13 pm.

COMMISSIONERS



Jean Pfeifer, President



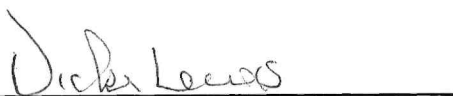
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