



**Chelan County Public Hospital District No. 2
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Meeting Minutes August 27, 2024 1:30 pm
in person and via Microsoft TEAMS**

Commission Attendance:

(not present present)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jordana LaPorte, Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lori Withrow, Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Murphy, Secretary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Gibson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Len England
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Staff Participants: A. Edwards, B. Truman, S. Ottley, R. Montgomery, L. Sahlinger, B. McCracken, M. Miller, M. Hillman, Maddy McCormick, C. Seaholm, A. Benegas, B. Kipp, C. Onda, J. Phetteplace, J. England, L. Hippe, T. Lautiki, J. Sweeney, A. Kelly,

Guests: Dr. Harberd,

Community Members: Dr. Hippe, Dr. Snyder, D. Griggs

Recorder: Wendy Kenck


Agenda Item	Topic/Action
1. Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. LaPorte called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm and recited the mission statement.
2. Public Comment	<p>Dr. Hippe's Public Comment: Speaking on behalf of Dr. Snyder, Dr. Brock, Dr. Harberd, Dr. Gray, and myself.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CVCH administration has stated that Dr. Hippe, Dr. Snyder, Dr. Brock, Dr. Harberd, and Dr. Gray are to be the spokespersons for CVCH. • We are committed to patient care because we want to be here. • The board has been presented with numbers of LOS (Length of Stay) that are outside of our control, and Interqual criteria/data is lacking. • Other factors include therapy services, specifically speech and respiratory service lines, and nurse staffing concerns, especially at night, and after-hours surgical availability. • We would like to be consulted and have further discussions before moving forward with the hospitalist decision. • We have not seen or felt the communication of needs to identify and work forward. We feel that we are important people in the conversation. <p>J. LaPorte's Comment: J. LaPorte noted that there were no CVCH administration staff present in person or virtually at the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I appreciate the comments and concerns. There have been discussions with the CVCH administration, and the decision has not been made lightly or in a short period of time. As Board members, we have a responsibility to the community and staff to ensure that LCH can better serve the community. • It was noted that this discussion was held in prior Med Staff meetings. <p>Dr. Snyder's Comment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Snyder questioned who is going to take better care of the community—a local physician or a physician who is here for 10 days and then flies out? I would like an opportunity to continue the discussion and appreciate taking the time to discuss this. <p>Dr. Harberd's Comment:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Harberd expressed that it gets tricky with multiple roles, such as being a CVCH employee, community member, and Med Staff Director. There is a lot of shared interest and investment in the community. Face-to-face discussions are beneficial over email.
3. Chair’s Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acknowledgment of the loss of a staff member this past month. Our thoughts are with their family and friends. • Recognition of a few new providers/surgeons who are coming up on their one-year anniversary and Dr. Wasz's retirement this year. We are grateful for their dedication and service. • The DNV auditor visit was last week, and the preliminary feedback is positive, reflecting the hard work and commitment of our team. • Agenda change: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Add EMS Build details to the Executive Session under RCW 70.41.110 (1)(d) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>M. Muphy motioned to approve the agenda changes, seconded, motion passed.</i>
4. Consent Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>L. Withrow motioned to approve Consent Agenda, seconded, motion passed</i>
5. Annual Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual UW Residency Report: Presented by Dr. Harberd. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ J. LaPorte requested clarification on LCH’s role and expectations and expressed interest in exploring collaboration opportunities within the Residency Program.
6. Executive Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. LaPorte announced Executive Session at 3:00 pm for 15 minutes to consider information regarding staff privileges or quality improvement committees under RCW 70.41.205 and RCW 42.30.110(1)(o) • Executive session ended at 3:15 pm
7. Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>M. Murphy verified all credential files are complete for the proposed list of providers and motioned to approve the appointments and removals as presented, seconded, motion passed.</i> • Dr. Hillman reported that Surgical Directions was onsite to review the Surgical Team, processes, and CVCH providers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Awaiting a written report and assistance in improving surgical procedures. • Finance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ B. Truman presented the unaudited July’s 2024 Finance. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>M. Murphy motioned to accept the unaudited July 2024 Finance Report, seconded, motion approved.</i> ○ Consultant Gary Hicks advised that it is most prudent for LCH to leave the financing for the old hospital open and apply for new financing. ○ B. Truman presented a document detailing the review of OB and Surgery revenue. ○ B. Truman reviewed Wipfli 2023 Final Audit report- clean audit based on the review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to be made at the September BOC meeting. • A. Edwards shared the CEO Report with additional notes of interest: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meridian accepted the Cost Based Services for the EMS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medicare claims to be billed back to August 2023 for an additional \$100K reimbursement. ▪ Yearly \$230K additional service run revenue to be received throughout the year. ▪ National Highway Grant opportunity to showcase reduced morbidity in highway usage. • S. Ottley presented an overview of July’s Key Performance Indicator (KPI) dashboard. • Community Forum Discussion


	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Question: Is there is a topic of interest to the community and the need for a community forum at this time? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The board will reevaluate the need in the next meeting. ● Board Advocacy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mary and Len attended the City Planning Committee Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussion on agricultural land -building short term rentals for income. ○ Board discussed adding a 5-minute Board Education item to the Agenda each month.
8. Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● EMS Build Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Received 7 Statements of Qualifications (SOQs). ○ Committee will start reviewing and compiling a shortlist tomorrow. ○ Board approval for GCCM and contractor expected in October. ○ Construction to begin in Spring 2025. ● Specialty Clinic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Documents submitted to the City of Chelan and the Department of Health (DOH); no contact made yet. ○ Request for Qualifications (RFQ) scheduled to go out mid-September to incentivize those on the shortlist. ○ Construction to start mid-October, with sidewalk completion in the Fall. ○ Interior construction to take place in the winter, with doors opening by mid-March 2025, pending DOH approval.
9. New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Board and group discussion regarding the current UW Residency Contract ● W. Kenck reviewed the policy/procedure and provided edits to the Attachment for the Board of Commissioners Policy Review Guidelines. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>M. Murphy motioned to the Board of Commissioners Policy Review Guidelines policy, seconded, motion approved.</i>
10. Roundtable/Action Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Governance Committee to recommend list of Education topics for the monthly Board Education session to add to the meeting Agenda. ● Aaron to review the UW Residency Affiliation Agreement 2022 and amendments between LCH and CVCH
11. Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No Public Comment
12. Executive Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● L. Withrow announced Executive Session at 4:55pm for 45 minutes for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ RCW 70.41.110 (1)(d) To review negotiations on the performance of publicly bid contracts when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased costs ○ RCW 70.41.205 To consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. ○ RCW 42.30.110(1)(o) To consider information regarding staff privileges or quality improvement committees under RCW 70.41.205 ○ RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) Evaluate the performance of a public employee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ L. Withrow extended the Executive Session 50 minutes ▪ L. Withrow extended the Executive Session 30 minutes ▪ Executive Session ended at 7:00 pm
13. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session

- J. LaPorte adjourned the meeting at 7:01 pm

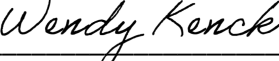
Attest:


Mary C Murphy (Sep 26, 2024 20:44 EDT)

M. Murphy, Secretary


Aaron Edwards (Sep 26, 2024 16:05 PDT)

Aaron Edwards, CEO



W. Kenck, Executive Assistant










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