



**Chelan County Public Hospital District No. 2
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Meeting Minutes August 26, 2025 at 1:30 pm
in person and via Microsoft TEAMS**

Commission Attendance:

(not present present)

Jordana LaPorte, Chair
 Lori Withrow, Vice Chair

Mary Murphy, Secretary
 Doug Gibson

Len England

Staff Participants: A. Edwards (virtual) B. Truman (virtual), R. Montgomery, J. Barich, S. Ottley, S. Freed, M. Miller, A. Benegas (virtual), M. McCormick (virtual), R. Eickmeyer, J. Phetteplace (virtual), J. Hetterle (virtual)

Guests: C. Colley (Graham Construction), D. Gable (Hill Int'l), E. Forte (Forte Architecture)

Community Members: Nate Mote, Anna Moroz, M. Navarro

Recorder: Wendy Kenck

Agenda Item	Topic/Action
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.
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Public Comment
Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. Laporte addressed recent community rumors suggesting that the Board has removed provider privileges. She emphasized that these claims are unfounded. The Board votes on provider privileges following recommendations from the Medical Staff Committee. To date, the only privilege removals have been at the request of providers who are leaving the area or no longer employed in the area.
Consent Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Withrow recommended removing the final Executive Session from today's agenda. • J. LaPorte noted that the Finance Committee meeting began at 10:05 a.m., and the minutes should be adjusted accordingly. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>M. Murphy moved to approve the consent agenda with the noted amendment. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.</i>
Executive Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. LaPorte announced an Executive Session at 1:35 PM for 15 minutes, scheduled to end at 1:50 PM, citing RCW 70.44.062 and RCW 42.30.110(1)(o) to consider information regarding staff privileges and matters discussed by quality improvement committees. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ L. Withrow extended the Executive Session 5 minutes ○ Executive session ended at 1:55 pm. • Action Following Executive Session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>L. Withrow motioned to approve the Delineation of Medical Privileges for Tele-Nephrology Services, motion was seconded and carried.</i> ○ <i>L. Withrow has reviewed the medical recommendations by MEC motioned to approve the appointment of Brian McInnes DPM (Podiatry), James Dahl, MD (Orthopaedics), Emily Reynolds, MD (Pediatrics), Anne Sobba-Higley, MD (ENT), Alexander Franke, MD (Emergency Med), Jessica Cicoria, DO (Family Med), Alan Horn (Telerradiology), and reappointment of Brandon Douglass, MD (Surgery) and Genevieve Park, MD (Plastic Surgery). The motion was seconded and carried.</i>

<p>Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S. Ottley discussed DNV’s recommendation for full credentialing of allied health staff, which LCH implemented. However, due to current market challenges and difficulties in onboarding new allied health professionals, the Medical Executive Committee (MEC) recommends a temporary moratorium to reevaluate the allied health professionals credentialing process. During this period, LCH will temporarily revert to the previous HR orientation process to help streamline staff onboarding for allied health professionals. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>M. Murphy moved to implement a temporary moratorium, up to six months, on medical staff credentialing for allied health professionals. The motion was seconded and approved.</i> • Finance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ B. Truman presented the unaudited July 2025 finance report. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>D. Gibson motioned to accept the unaudited July 2025 Finance Report; second motion approved.</i> • CEO Report: A. Edwards presented the CEO Report • Strat Plan KPI Report: S. Ottley reviewed the KPI dashboard. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ S. Ottley presented a draft version of the updated Strategic Plan, reflecting priorities discussed during the recent Board Strategic Planning meeting. ○ M. Murphy recommended including a statement or objective related to proactively preparing for potential future budget cuts on Goal 4. ○ The Board Dashboard will include 8–10 key measures from the strategic plan, which will be tracked and reported regularly. • Community Connection Opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community Forum Planning: A forum is being planned for early next year, with an intent to include other local health-focused nonprofits. ○ Foundation Event: The Foundation has requested that LCH not attend their upcoming event due to having a full agenda. ○ Executive Participation: Members of the Executive Team attended the Chelan Democratic Party monthly meeting with D. Gibson. ○ Heritage Heights Open House: J. LaPorte represented LCH at the Heritage Heights open house. ○ Guild B – Paint the Town Pink: Scheduled for October 6. ○ LCH Volunteers – Knick of Time: LCH volunteers participated in the Knick of Time initiative. ○ School District Event: LCH will have a presence at the Manson School District event taking place tonight. • Board Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ L. England provided an educational presentation on bees, hives, and hospital staff retention.
<p>Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMS Capital Project Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ C. Colley from Graham Construction presented and reviewed the proposed LCH EMS GMP package. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>D. Gibson motion to adopt Resolution 2025-11 GMP for EMS/Admin Construction, seconded, motion approved.</i> ○ The groundbreaking ceremony is tentatively scheduled for the end of September. • Board Committee Charters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There was a discussion regarding the Warrants & Vouchers Charter and the Credentialing & Privileging Charter, with suggestions for edits and refinements to improve clarity and effectiveness.
<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolutions:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>L. Withrow motioned to approve Resolution 2025-12 (Disposal of X Ray Equipment), The motion was seconded and approved.</i>
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Public Comment
Roundtable/Action Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. LaPorte will contact State Representative Steele to invite him to be present at the groundbreaking ceremony. • W. Kenck will send Word versions of the charters to the Governance Committee for editing. • A. Edwards will connect with facilitator Alan Yordy regarding Strategic Planning for 2026 • A "RACK" card outlining current and upcoming services and providers at LCH will be prepared for public distribution.
1. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. LaPorte adjourned the meeting at 3:58 pm

Attest:

Mary C Murphy
Mary C Murphy (Oct 3, 2025 12:34:17 PDT)

M. Murphy, Secretary


Shawn Ottley (Oct 3, 2025 10:53:15 PDT)

Shawn Ottley, COO

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Wendy Kenck, Executive Assistant