



~Approved 9/4/2018~

Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 7, 2018
9:00 a.m. – Board Room

Board Members Present: Linnette Davidson, Wirt Township; Matt Huju, Marcell Township; JoAnn Krickhahn, City of Effie; Kenny Porter, Bigfork Township; Dr. George Rounds, Stokes Township; Heidi Watson, Koochiching County At-Large

Via Telephone: None

Board Members Absent: Anne Collins, City of Bigfork; Greg Cook, Koochiching County Unorganized; Chris Horton, City of Big Falls; Marie Lovdahl, Itasca County Unorganized; Larry Salmela, Carpenter Township; Karen Springer, Itasca County At-Large

Others: Barb Cameron, Dawn Kern, Angela Kleffman, Vance Koppelman, John Licke, Christine Lokken, Amanda Niemala, Matt Niemala, Nancy Probst, Greg Ruberg, Aaron Saude, John Strange, Renee Tower

There was not a quorum present; therefore, no actions were taken.

I. Community Comments

None.

II. Approval of Agenda

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

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III. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes 7/3/2018

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

IV. Acceptance of Medical Staff Minutes 5/16/2018

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

V. Information, Discussion and/or Action

A. John Strange

John Strange, St. Luke's CEO, and Greg Ruberg, CEO of Lake View Hospital, provided a brief overview of St. Luke's relationship with Wilderness Health, Lake View Hospital and Grand Marais Hospital. The CEOs gave their viewpoint on hospitals joining a larger system and remaining independent.

B. Finance Committee Report

No discussion.

C. Financials

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

D. Accounts Payable

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

E. Title VI Program Resolution

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

F. 2019 Proposed Tax Levy

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

G. Governance Committee Report

No discussion.

H. MDH Home Care Survey

The Minnesota Department of Health completed a survey of Home Care on June 1, 2018. The deficiencies cited have been corrected and the plan of correction has been accepted.

I. Medical Staff Bylaws

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

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J. Credentialing

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

K. Coleraine Property

Aaron Saude reported that The Overland Group, LLC rescinded their offer for the Coleraine property.

L. CEO Report

Aaron attended the HealthTrust University Conference in Nashville, July 23-25. Balsam Township was invited to join the hospital district. A demonstration of MEDITECH's Expanse EHR platform was held on July 17. Aaron met with Julie Sandstede at the Carpenter Townhall meeting on July 19. A mass causality drill is scheduled for September 19.

Informational items provided:

- Wilderness Health Update – July 2018

M. Employee Appreciation

No action was taken due to lack of a quorum.

N. MHA Summer Trustee Conference Report

Dr. George Rounds provided a summary of the MHA Summer Trustee Conference that he attended July 13-15, 2018.

O. Board Meeting Survey Results

Results from the July 3 board meeting evaluation survey were reviewed.

P. Board Education

MHA's Legislative Session report was provided for education. The report included an overview from Lawrence Massa, MHA President and CEO, and Mark Koch, the 2018 Chair of the MHA Board of Directors, information regarding MHA's legislative priorities, a summary of the new laws which will impact hospitals and health care systems and information on failed legislative proposals.

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Q. Board Member Filing Reminder

Filing is open July 31 – August 14, 2018 for the following positions of the Northern Itasca Hospital District Board of Directors:

- Carpenter Township 4-year term
- City of Big Falls 4-year term
- Marcell Township 4-year term
- Itasca County At-large 4-year term
- City of Bigfork 4-year term
- City of Effie 2-year term
- Pomroy Township 4-year term
- Koochiching County At-large 4-year term

A special board meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 15 at 6:30 p.m. for agenda items requiring action.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Renee Tower,
Executive Administrative Assistant

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