

BENEWAH COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
Thursday, March 24, 2022, 7:30 a.m.
Francie Walters Board Room, Benewah Community Hospital, St. Maries, Idaho

MINUTES

Attendees:	Carol Humphrey Dan Hammes Peggy Cuvala	Mike LaPlante Richard Schumacker	Ron Hodge, via telephone Dave Cox, via telephone
Staff:	Chuck Lloyd Rebecca Plante	Lori Minier Sam Meter	Rachel Ewert Therese Shreiner

1. Call to Order – Chairman Humphrey opened the meeting at 7:43 a.m.

2. Regular Session

Humphrey requested the Board amend the agenda to add an action item under 7., Contracts. A **motion** made by LaPlante, second by Hammes, to amend the agenda to add action item 7.1 Dr. Terry Davenport Contract Amendment. The motion passed.

Reason item was not on current agenda: With a recent Provider resignation, Dr. Davenport has agreed to participate in the hospital call rotation.

3. Approve Minutes – A **motion** made by Hammes, second by Cuvala, to approve the meeting minutes from February 24, 2022 and March 15, 2022. The motion passed.

4. Open Forum/Visitors – The Board welcomed Sam Meter, Materials Manager, and Therese Shreiner, Pharmacy Manager. Meter and Shreiner both shared their background information and discussed projects within their departments. *Meter and Shreiner exited at 8:01 a.m.*

5. Board Committee Reports

5.1. Performance Improvement Committee – Schumacker stated that the PI committee has not met (next quarterly meeting: April 12, 2022).

5.2. Finance Committee – Hammes stated that the finance report was given in the Finance Committee meeting prior to the Board meeting.

5.2.1. February Financials – A **motion** made by Hammes, second by LaPlante, to approve the February Financials. The motion passed.

5.3. Board Nominations and Bylaws/Policy Committee – Cox stated that the BNPB Committee has not met.

5.4. Medical Staff Committee – Hodge reported that Plante covered most of the Medical Staff items in her Board report. Hodge added that visiting Ophthalmologist, Dr. Richards, will be letting his privileges at BCH expire due to his busy practice in Moscow.

6. Medical Staff – No updates or files to present.

7. Contracts

7.1. Dr. Terry Davenport Contract Amendment- A **motion** made by LaPlante, second by Hammes, to approve the Contract Amendment for Dr. Terry Davenport. The motion passed.

8. Administrative Reports/Questions – The Board and Administration had conversations regarding the following items: Nurse staffing and Travelers, Cerner Optimization in Pharmacy and Materials (very positive so far), Transfers lower in February but back up in March, and Cerner Learning Journeys for staff education.

9. Follow-Up Items

9.1. COVID Update – Ewert reported that COVID cases are declining; discussion followed.

10. Communications

10.1. Insurance Discussion – Lampert reported that he received information on a self-insurance plan, III-A. He stated that they work with public hospitals and gave the information booklet he received to Administration; discussion followed.

10.2. Board Education Opportunity – Humphrey stated that at a recent meeting, she met a Governance Risk Manager who provides education on meeting laws, executive sessions, hearings, notices, ethics, conflict of interest, etc. Humphrey added that she thinks it would be great to have him come and do a presentation with the Board. Plante will reach out to our Risk Manager at Physician’s Insurance to see if they would be willing to provide education.

10.3. IHA Updates – Cuvala stated that IHA had a meeting Monday mainly discussing legislative updates. Cuvala asked the group to please pay attention to the candidates to see who will support hospitals. Some of the items discussed included crisis standards of care and an increase in funding for graduate medical education (encouraging providers to say in state to practice). Cuvala added that the state of pandemic emergency will end April 15. QHR will be offering a cost report boot camp June 1-3, hoping for a virtual option.

10.4. BetterCARE Update – Hodge stated that BetterCARE has nothing to report.

11. Executive Session

At 8:36 a.m., a **motion** made by Hammes, second by Schumacker, to adjourn into executive session per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b) Personnel and Idaho Code 74-206(1)(j) Provider Contract & Other Contract Manners. Roll Call Vote: All ayes. The motion passed. Cox and Hodge confirmed that nobody else was with them to hear executive conversations.

Present at this time: Humphrey, LaPlante, Cuvala, Hodge, Hammes, Cox, Schumacker, Lloyd, Minier, Ewert, Plante, and Lampert.

Minier, Ewert, Plante and Hodge exited at 8:36 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by:

Rebecca Plante, Board Secretary

Carol Humphrey, Board Chairman