

SPECIAL MEETING  
BENEWAH COMMUNITY HOSPITAL GOVERNING BOARD  
Friday, April 17, 2026, 11:30 a.m.  
Francie Walters Board Room, Benewah Community Hospital

MINUTES

Present: Kris Brock Tom Ebert Suzy Epler  
Dan Hammes Mike LaPlante Doug McKelvey  
Wendy Stansbury

Staff: Burt Keltner, *CEO* Lori Minier, *CFO* Becca Plante, *Board Secretary*  
Amy Edwards, *DNS* Heather Ryan, *HR* Sean Mesias, *IT*  
Jesse Rich, *IT*

Other: *Community Members:* Tim Grubham, Kim Schwanz, Cody Whelan

1. **Open Meeting** – Epler opened the meeting at 11:35 a.m.
2. **Lunch & Email Set-up** – Mesias and Rich assisted Board Members in setting up their BCH emails. *Mesias and Rich exited at 11:47 a.m.*

3. **Executive Session**

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At 11:47 a.m., a **motion** made by Stansbury, second by McKelvey, to adjourn into executive session per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b) Personnel and Idaho Code 74-206(1)(j) Provider Contract & Other Contract Matters. Roll Call Vote: All ayes. The motion passed.  
*Present at this time: Brock, Ebert, Epler, Hammes, LaPlante, McKelvey, Stansbury, Keltner, Plante. Stansbury exited at 11:49a.m. Stansbury entered at 11:52 a.m. Plante exited at 12:22 p.m.*

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The Board came out of Executive Session at 12:40 p.m. Epler called for a short recess.

*Plante, Minier, Ryan, Grubham, Schwanz, and Whelan entered at 12:40 p.m.*

Meeting reconvened at 12:45 p.m.

*Stansbury exited at 12:46 p.m. Stansbury entered at 12:51 p.m. Edwards entered at 12:52 p.m.*

4. **Phase One: Strategic Planning** – The Board and Administration discussed strategic planning, items to consider, and next steps.

Grubham inquired about having a town hall meeting where the community could ask questions about the hospital.

Meeting adjourned at 2:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by:

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Rebecca Plante, Board Secretary

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Suzy Epler, Board Chairman