

GRANT COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 2
dba QUINCY VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
July 28, 2014 - 5:30 p.m.
QUINCY VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER ANNEX

Present: Anthony Gonzalez, Randy Zolman, Don Condit, Robert Poindexter

Also in attendance: Mehdi Merred, CEO, Alicia Shields, Dean Taplett, Alene Walker, Glenda Bishop, Mike Pirkey, Colleen Canfield, Tom Richardson, Michele Wurl, Collette Lancaster, Jill Fitzsimmons (QVPR), Justin Brimer, Richard Thomas Schrock.

CALL TO ORDER – Anthony Gonzalez, Chairman of the Commissioners, called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

1. **Comments from the Audience:** None.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** *A motion was made by Randy Zolman with a second from Don Condit to approve the minutes from the June 25 Regular meeting as published. Motion carried.*
3. **Board Chair Report:** Anthony referred to the multi-vehicle accident on I-90 which resulted in 9 patients being transferred to our facility. He thanked our staff for their service as healthcare professionals day-to-day, and especially during events such as this. He also commented that he walked through the facility, noting that “it looked great – the floors shine like glass, and everyone is busy.”
4. **QI Report:** Mike reviewed the Quality Scorecards, commenting that our Safety Scorecard is especially positive this month. *A motion was made by Randy Zolman with a second from Don Condit to approve the QI Report as presented. Motion carried.*
5. **Consent Agenda**
Bad Debt/Charity Care: Don Condit made a motion with a second from Robert Poindexter to approve the Bad Debt/Charity Care adjustments as presented, totaling \$150,000. Motion carried.

Vouchers (Accounts Payable and Payroll): A motion was made by Don Condit with a second from Robert Poindexter to approve the Vouchers totaling \$995,925.20. Motion carried.

6. **Standing Committee Reports**
Finance Committee: Don Condit reported that the Preliminary Income Statement reflects a \$12,653 profit for the month of June, our first “profitable” month for 2014. The warrant line with the county as of the 25th of July is 3.956 million, higher than what we would like to see. We do expect some Medicare billings (which have been held up in the CPSI system) to be resolved; claims are going out, and we are slowly seeing the funds come in. Additionally, the Health Care Authority of Washington has declared that we met Meaningful Use for the second year, and they will be sending us approximately \$100,000 in the next couple of months.

Dean also stated that we should be receiving \$80,000 in a cost report payment, typically seen in August or September following the filing of the interim cost report.

Mehdi added that we did experience a good closing meeting with our accountants last week for the 2013 Audit, and we are now able to move forward with some plan of action which could not happen without this information.

Building & Grounds Committee: None.

Personnel: None.

7. **Old Business:** None.

8. **New Business:**

a. **Medical Staff Reappointment, Richard Brown, CRNA (Mid-Level Staff):** A motion was made by Randy Zolman, with a second from *Don Condit* to approve the reappointment of Richard Brown, CRNA as recommended by the Medical Staff. Motion carried.

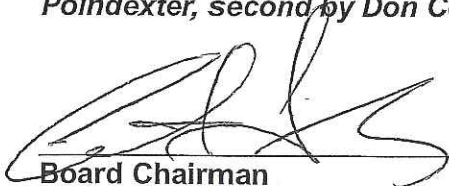
9. **Department Reports:** No comments or questions from the Commissioners.

Administrator's Report: Mehdi noted that volumes in the surgery program are picking up. We are continuing to build a relationship with Ephrata; Dr. Elerding is doing a good job establishing his presence both in Ephrata and Quincy. We also have another surgeon, Dr. Erickson, who has shown some interest in a longer term relationship and we are expecting to see more and more referrals. Clinic volumes are going up each month, and the E.D. visits are also going up according to the June statistics. However, unfortunately the financial reports are not showing the same increases therefore highlighting the fact that bad debts are affecting our financial bottom line. Mehdi added that we will be continuing to monitor the effect of Live Nation on our bottom line. Mehdi expressed appreciation to the staff for "picking up" to meet the need in the summer months, noting that he was very happy to see a profit for the month of June. We are obligated to staff our areas to meet the needs of concerts, vacations and agricultural activities and it is good to see that we have been able to do this. Anthony thanked Alicia Shields, CNO for her report and the good detail provided. Anthony again noted the amazing numbers – "extremely high number of lab tests performed, meals served out of our small kitchen, pounds of laundry."

10. At 5:55 p.m. an Executive Session for QI Matters was called for a period of fifteen minutes with no action to be taken following the Executive Session.

Regular session resumed at 6:10 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business, *a motion to adjourn was made by Robert Poindexter, second by Don Condit; motion carried.* The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.



Board Chairman



Board Secretary

(Minutes recorded by and submitted by Glenda Bishop)