GRANT COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 2 dba QUINCY VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING January 26, 2015 - 5:30 pm. QUINCY VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER ANNEX

Present:

Anthony Gonzalez, Randy Zolman, Don Condit, Robert Poindexter

Also in attendance: Mehdi Merred, CEO; Alicia Shields, Dean Taplett, Glenda Bishop, Mike Pirkey, Tom Richardson, Alene Walker, Sheryl Wood, Collette Lancaster, Verna Teeter (QVH Foundation), Jill Fitzsimmons (QVPR)

CALL TO ORDER – Anthony Gonzalez, Chairman of the Commissioners, called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

- 1. Comments from the Audience: Verna Teeter, President of the QVH Foundation announced that Cave B has graciously invited the Foundation to participate in the 2nd Annual Caveman Roar and Pour 5K trail walk as a fund raising opportunity. She also updated the Commissioners on the Scholarship funding. Verna thanked the Commissioners for their willingness to be in the front line, taking the heat, especially while things have been so public. Anthony made a donation to the Foundation in the amount of his stipend in the name of the employees, half of it to go to the Cave B event, and half to the spring golf tournament.
- 2. Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Randy Zolman with a second from Don Condit to approve the minutes from the Regular meeting on December 22, 2014. Motion carried.
- 3. Board Chair Report: Anthony reported on the activities which have taken place in Olympia regarding the proposed Bill to allow counties to add a \$1.00 surcharge to entertainment tickets. Anthony attended the presentation to the House and Randy attended a presentation to the Senate. This morning Mehdi, Anthony and Randy, together with representatives from the Fire District, Port of Quincy, City of Quincy, CliftonLarsenAllen and Live Nation met with the County Commissioners to continue the conversation regarding this proposed legislation.
- 4. Ql Report: Mike reported excellent numbers for the month of December, nearly identical to the numbers reported for November; the Safety scorecard reflected 100% for December, and for 2014 96% compliance. The main piece that is missing from the DOH Audit report is the information regarding the Infection Control Program which will be led by Dr. Gary Preston. A motion was made by Randy Zolman with a second from Don Condit to approve the Quality Improvement report as presented. Motion carried.
- 5. Consent Agenda

Bad Debt/Charity Care: Don Condit made a motion with a second from Randy Zolman to approve the Bad Debt (\$89,315.00)/Charity Care (\$15,108.00) adjustments as presented, totaling \$104,423.00. 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 \$913,745.55. Motion carried.

6. Standing Committee Reports

Finance Committee: Don Condit explained the reconciliation process which takes place at the end of the year and is then reviewed by CliftonLarsonAllen which eventually provides our financial statement for the end of the year. Don reported that he anticipates this statement will show a loss for the end of 2014. He also reported that some changes have been made – cutbacks in hours, wages, and closure of the surgery department – and in light of these changes a revised 2015 budget was outlined.

Dean reported that the budget now reflects the changes that were discussed at the November meeting during which these changes were detailed. Dean also added that December showed relatively reasonable service levels, but operations appear to be showing a loss. There are some cost report adjustments to be made, but a regular financial statement should be ready by next month's meetings. "Over 90 day" receivable balances are the focus (those due from insurance) and will be worked diligently to bring that cash in.

Randy asked that the bad debt and the contractual adjustments be separated so that they are more visible. Dean pointed out that this number is on the financial statement each month.

Building & Grounds Committee: Randy reported that the work has been completed at the nurses' station and should be painted by the end of the week. There are also some problems in the compressor, but more research is necessary to determine what the best solution will be.

Mehdi added that the surgery equipment has been appropriately put into storage in a way that protects the equipment so that in the event that we were to begin the program again we would have the necessary equipment. The space that has been vacated will not be used for office space or other administrative purposes, but will be protected for patient care.

Personnel: Mehdi made two service award presentations, noting that Don Condit and Anthony Gonzalez have given ten years of commitment to our facility, thanking them for their support and hard work on behalf of the facility. Anthony thanked Mehdi for nine years of service as our Administrator and commitment to this community.

7. Old Business: None.

8. New Business:

- a. Election of Officers and Committee assignments: Anthony announced his decision to step down from his role as President/Chairman of the Commissioners, and nominated Randy Zolman to serve as Chair. Don Condit made a motion with a second from Robert Poindexter to elect Randy Zolman as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners. Motion carried. Robert Poindexter made a motion to nominate Don Condit to serve as the Secretary of the Commissioners with a second from Anthony Gonzalez. Motion carried. A decision was made to restructure committee assignments as follows: Finance Committee: Randy and Don; Building and Grounds: Anthony (with back up from Randy); Personnel: Bob and Anthony. Quality Improvement: Don and/or Bob.
- b. Tele-Health Privileging: A motion was made by Randy Zolman, with a second by Don Condit to approve the Providence Tele-Health Physician roster as recommended by the Medical Staff. Motion carried.
- C. Quincy Valley Hospital Foundation Directors: Verna Teeter noted a change in their organizational structure, reporting that they have a new Secretary, Jodi Davis. *A motion was made by Randy Zolman to approve the Foundation Board of Directors as presented,*

with a second by Don Condit. Motion carried. Mehdi thanked Verna for her service as the Foundation President.

- d. Legal Fees: Randy Zolman made a motion to approve legal fees from Ogden Murphy Wallace related to a public record request, in the amount of \$374.00 with a second from Don Condit approved. Motion carried.
- e. County Commissioner meeting update related to HB 1009 and SB 5000: Anthony noted that in visiting with the County Commissioners this morning he asked if they supported the bill as written, and they said that they did not. Mehdi explained that the County's position on the Bill came as a surprise to the Hospital, Fire District, Port and City of Quincy. Mehdi explained that he did not feel that today's meeting was overly productive, but he does believe that we painted a very good picture of why we need this compensation. Mehdi added that he believes there are other things we can do, other ways we can partner with the Fire District and Live Nation. Robert Poindexter said "this is nuts that they shouldn't have to pay for medical services when they come to this community just like I have to pay." Randy stated that he asked Danny Wilde directly if he had a plan to put on the table to help mitigate the situation and he said they are doing all they can on their end and we need to do something on our end. Randy will pass information on to other Board Commissioners and if any decisions are to be made he will make arrangements to call a meeting.
- 9. Department Reports:

Anthony asked about an item in the Nursing report and thanked the staff who volunteered furlough hours.

10. Executive session was called for a period of ten minutes at 6:50 pm.

Adjournment: There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Robert Poindexter with a second by Don Condit; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Board Chairman

Board Secretary

(Minutes recorded by and submitted by Glenda Bishop)