

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, the Regular Meeting of the Tahoe Forest Hospital District Board of Directors for June 25, 2020 will be conducted telephonically through Zoom. Please be advised that pursuant to the Executive Order, and to ensure the health and safety of the public by limiting human contact that could spread the COVID-19 virus, the Eskridge Conference Room will not be open for the meeting. Board Members will be participating telephonically and will not be physically present in the Eskridge Conference Room.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Board: Alyce Wong, Board Chair; Art King, Secretary; Dale Chamblin, Treasurer; Michael McGarry, Board Member

Staff in attendance: Harry Weis, Chief Executive Officer; Crystal Betts, Chief Financial Officer; Matt Mushet, In-House Counsel; Martina Rochefort, Clerk of the Board

Other: David Ruderman, Assistant General Counsel, Jim Hook of The Fox Group

#### 3. DELETIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE POSTED AGENDA

No changes were made to the agenda.

# 4. INPUT AUDIENCE

No public comment was received.

General Counsel read the board into closed session.

Director Wong noted she will recuse herself from item 5.3. Barbara Buckles v. TFHD case.

# Open Session recessed at 4:08 p.m.

Mary Brown, Vice Chair, joined the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

# 5. CLOSED SESSION

#### 5.1. Hearing (Health & Safety Code § 32155)

Subject Matter: 2020 Claims Summary Report

*Number of items: One (1)* 

Discussion was held on a privileged item.

#### 5.2. Hearing (Health & Safety Code § 32155)

Subject Matter: Quality Assurance Report

Number of items: One (1)

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Discussion was held on a privileged item.

# 5.3. Conference with Legal Counsel; Existing Litigation (Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(1))♦

The District Board finds, based on advice from legal counsel, that discussion in open session will prejudice the position of the local agency in the litigation.

Case Name: Adomitis v. Tahoe Forest Hospital District

Names of Parties: Plaintiff Frank Adomitis and Defendant Tahoe Forest Hospital District

Case Number: Eastern District of California 2:17-cv-01879-KJM-DB

Name of Case: Buckles v. Tahoe Forest Hospital, et al.

Name of Parties: Plaintiff Barbara Buckles and Defendant Tahoe Forest Hospital District Case No.: Nevada County Superior Court Case No. TCU19-7218; San Francisco Superior Court

Case No. 1006 40 573036

Case No. CGC-19-572936

Discussion was held on a privileged item.

# 5.4. Report Involving Trade Secrets (Health & Safety Code § 32106)

Discussion will concern: Proposed new program Estimated Date of Disclosure: December 2021

Discussion was held on a privileged item.

#### 5.5. Approval of Closed Session Minutes

05/28/2020

Discussion was held on a privileged item.

# 5.6. TIMED ITEM – 5:30PM - Hearing (Health & Safety Code § 32155)

Subject Matter: Medical Staff Credentials

Discussion was held on a privileged item.

# 6. **DINNER BREAK**

# 7. OPEN SESSION – CALL TO ORDER

Open Session reconvened at 6:03 p.m.

# 8. REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

General Counsel reported the Board considered six items in closed session. There was no reportable action taken on items 5.1. and 5.2. On item 5.3., there was no reportable on the Frank Adomitis v. Tahoe Forest Hospital District case. The Board approved a settlement on the Barbara Buckles v. Tahoe Forest Hospital District case for \$275,000. Chair Wong recused herself for item 5.3. Buckles case and was not present for that item. The Board approved the settlement on a 4-0 vote. Item 5.4. had no reportable action. Item 5.5. Closed Session Minutes were approved on a 5-0 vote and item 5.6. Medical Staff Credentials were also approved a 5-0 vote.

# 9. DELETIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE POSTED AGENDA

No changes were made to the agenda.

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#### **10. INPUT – AUDIENCE**

No public comment was received.

#### 11. INPUT FROM EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATIONS

No public comment was received.

# 12. SAFETY FIRST

Svieta Schopp, Infection Control Preventionist, presented Safety First on mask wearing and hand washing.

#### 13. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

**13.1.** Samantha Smith was named June 2020 Employee of the Month.

#### 14. MEDICAL STAFF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

14.1. Medical Executive Committee (MEC) Meeting Consent Agenda

MEC recommends the following for approval by the Board of Directors:

Policies with content changes

- Reporting Communicable Diseases, AIPC-105
- Labor Cervical Ripening with Prostaglandin E1 (Cytotec) or E2 (Cervadil), DWFC-1488

# **ACTION:** Motion made by Director King, to approve the Medical Staff Executive

Committee Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Director Brown. Roll call vote taken.

McGarry - AYE

Chamblin - AYE

King – AYE

**Brown - AYE** 

Wong - AYE

#### **15. CONSENT CALENDAR**

# 15.1. Approval of Minutes of Meetings

**15.1.1.** 05/28/2020

#### 15.2. Financial Reports

**15.2.1.** Financial Report – May 2020

#### **ACTION:** Motion made by Director Chamblin, to approve the Consent Calendar as

presented, seconded by Director McGarry. Roll call vote taken.

McGarry - AYE

Chamblin – AYE

King – AYE

**Brown - AYE** 

Wong - AYE

# 16. ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

#### 16.1. Gateway Mountain Center

Peter Mayfield, Executive Director of Gateway Mountain Center, presented a Youth Behavioral Health Report. Discussion was held.

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# 16.2. TFHD Athletic Trainer Program

Anna Aldridge, TFHD Head Athletic Trainer and Dr. Nina Winans, Sports Medicine physician, provided an update on the athletic trainer program. Discussion was held.

# 16.3. COVID-19 Update

Harry Weis, President & Chief Executive Officer, provided an update on hospital and clinic operations related to COVID-19. Discussion was held.

# 17. DISCUSSION OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED, IF NECESSARY

Not applicable.

# **18. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No committee reports.

# 19. BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS/CLOSING REMARKS

Director McGarry gave an update from a recent Tahoe Institute for Rural Health Research meeting.

# 20. CLOSED SESSION CONTINUED, IF NECESSARY

Not applicable.

# 21. OPEN SESSION

Not applicable.

# 22. REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION, IF NECESSARY

Not applicable.

#### 23. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.