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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: April 07, 2021

Time: 19:00

Place: ZOOM Meeting, <https://zoom.us/j/94707956113>

Present: Don Wolczko, Secretary
Eric Pryne, Position 2
LeeAnn Brown, Position 3
Wendy Noble, Position 4
Eric Jensen, Superintendent
Jocelyne Weller, Administrative Director

1. Call to order at 19:00
2. Approve/Amend April 07 Agenda

Commissioner Pryne motions to approve agenda and Commissioner Brown seconds the motion:

“I move to accept the agenda.”

AGENDA APPROVED 4-0

3. Approve March 17, Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Pryne motions to approve minutes and Commissioner Noble seconds the motion:

“I move to accept the minutes.”

MINUTES APPROVED 4-0

4. Superintendent Report
 - a. See Superintendent report, see attached

It was discussed that a Sea Mar financial representative who is capable of addressing the financial report in more details attend the next quarterly meeting in May.

5. Unfinished Business
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance Committee- Secretary Wolczko, Superintendent Jensen, Administrator Weller

Secretary Wolczko reported that the district loan balance with King County is at -\$1,151,564.00. The warrants issued were \$379.00 to Lake Kennedy McCulloch for accounting services, \$125,000.00 to Sea Mar for the April subsidy and \$7,034.00 to Sunrise Ridge for rent. The rent payment is short \$306 which will be paid with the May payment. He reported payroll expenditures for March 16-31 at \$3,518.61.

Secretary Wolczko motions to approve the warrants and payroll vouchers and Commissioner Noble seconds the motion:

“I move to approve the three warrants and past payroll.”

WARRANTS AND PAYROLL APPROVED 4-0

- b. Clinic Relations Committee- President Langland, Commissioner Noble
 - i. Progress Report

Commissioner Noble reports that Vashon Sea Mar physicians are doing after hours call. She does not know much more than this but she will find out more details at tomorrow’s committee meeting. The committee will also ask Sea Mar the following questions:

1. when will their Psych ARNP be starting
2. do their Telemedicine visits include a video as well as audio
3. will Saturday visits start in May

- c. Communications, Planning and External Committee- Commissioner Pryne, Commissioner Brown
 - i. Update on marketing/promotion efforts

Commissioner Pryne motions to change the committee’s name from the Communications, Planning and External Relations Committee to the Outreach Committee. Commissioner Brown seconds the motion:

“I move to change the committee’s name from Communications, Planning and External Relations Committee to Outreach Committee.”

MOTION APPROVED 4-0

Commissioner Pryne reports that the committee has been working to condense the clinic FAQ that is posted on the district’s website to a document that will fit on a half sheet to print and make available in English and Spanish to social service organizations like Vashon Food Bank, Vashon Youth and Family Services and Vashon Senior Center to distribute to their members. This population is least likely to have access to the internet. The committee chose the most pertinent questions and those least likely to change over time.

The first meeting for all of the junior taxing districts happened on March 22 with representatives of the Cemetery, Fire, Health Care, Parks and School Districts participating. The districts shared information of what they thought the other districts should know about them. At the end of the meeting there was consensus that this meeting was valuable, and another meeting should be held in late June.

The Best Starts for Kids' levy renewal has cleared both the county council committees and now needs approval from the full council.

Secretary Wolczko comments that the provider of the school clinic should be discussed with the county and Sea Mar. Commissioner Pryne notes that the Outreach Committee discussed this subject in their meeting yesterday. Neighborcare currently operates the clinic, which is 100% funded through The Best Starts for Kids levy, and Neighborcare's contract expires at the end of this year. The big question is where the providers at the clinic are referring the kids and their families for follow-up visits. Are they referring them to Vashon Sea Mar or Neighborcare West Seattle? Marcie Rubardt offered to follow up on this and contact the school clinic.

The \$3M Capital Appropriation for a new Vashon clinic is in the House and Senate capital budget proposals in different forms. The House bill transfers the money from Neighborcare to Vashon Healthcare District and the Senate bill reappropriates the money to Neighborcare. The two houses will resolve their differences.

House Bill 1034, which would remove the Vashon Park District from the \$5.90 limit, has passed both houses of the Legislature in slightly different forms. The House will most likely approve the Senate's version.

7. Public Input, up to 15 minutes, collectively

Dr. Mary Bergman thanks the board for sharing Sea Mar's financial report. She comments that the numbers look scary and agrees with both Secretary Wolczko and Commissioner Pryne that more detailed information is needed. She says Sea Mar is an FQHC clinic and they should be getting better reimbursement rates from Medicaid. She would like to know if the other Sea Mar clinics are getting the same reimbursement rates. She mentions that there are many reasons for a low reimbursement rate. For example, patient visits could be under-coded. She suggests not waiting six months for more data, but rather working with Sea Mar to understand why the numbers are low and how they compare to their other clinics.

Marcie Rubardt comments that the committee is struggling to figure out who the face of the clinic is in the community. Is it the Board, the Outreach Committee or Sea Mar? In a past meeting Wendy Aman mentioned that Jesus Sanchez from Sea Mar would be a great spokesperson and suggested he participate in a Town Hall meeting. Lydia Aguilar mentioned that the Hispanic Community already knows the answers to the questions about the clinic addressed in the FAQs.

Until the clinic has Spanish translation and more transparency on their payment and collection practices for people who don't have money, more Hispanic patients will not use the clinic.

8. New Business

9. Adjournment

Commissioner Pryne motions adjournment and Commissioner Brown seconds the motion:

"I move we adjourn."

ADJOURNMENT APPROVED 4-0

Adjourned at 20:12

The next Regular Board Meeting will be Wednesday, 05 May, at 19:00 on ZOOM,
<https://zoom.us/j/94707956113>.