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## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Date: July 07, 2021

Time: 19:00

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

Present: Tom Langland, President  
Eric Pryne, Position 2  
LeeAnn Brown, Position 3  
Wendy Noble, Position 4  
Eric Jensen, Superintendent  
Jocelyne Weller, Administrative Director

1. Call to order at 19:01
2. Approve/Amend July 07 Agenda

Commissioner Pryne motions to approve the agenda as amended and Commissioner Noble seconds the motion:

“I move that we accept the agenda.”

**AGENDA APPROVED 4-0**

3. Approve June 16, Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Brown motions to approve amended minutes and Commissioner Noble seconds the motion:

“I move to accept the minutes as published.”

**MINUTES APPROVED 4-0**

4. Superintendent Report, attached

President Langland motions to approve the Chamber of Commerce membership fee and Commissioner Pryne seconds the motion:

“I move to approve the Chamber of Commerce membership fee for the Hospital District.”

**MOTION APPROVED 4-0**

## 5. Unfinished Business

### a. King County Roads levy lid lift

Commissioner Pryne reported that the county council was scheduled to consider the ordinance to put the Road District levy lid lift on the ballot at their meeting yesterday, however it was postponed for a week.

## 6. Committee Reports

### a. Finance Committee- Secretary Wolczko, Superintendent Jensen, Administrator Weller

#### i. Voucher Approval

No warrants were issued

#### ii. Payroll Approval

The payroll expenditure for June 16-30 was \$3,533.72.

Commissioner Pryne motions to approve the payroll expenditure and Commissioner Brown seconds the motion:

“I move to approve the payroll.”

**PAYROLL APPROVED 4-0**

### b. Clinic Relations Committee- President Langland, Commissioner Noble

#### i. Update, see Superintendent Report attached

Commissioner Noble and President Langland met with Dr. Erdmann and Ms. Kerry Barnes and the following key issues were discussed:

- The clinic’s goal is to see an average of 20 patients per day for each scheduled provider. The challenge is to keep the 15-minute appointment visits to that scheduled time. Patients assume that their visit is long enough to cover all their needs. When patients have more than one problem per visit it makes it hard for the physicians to adequately address all their problems. Coding may be difficult for multiple problems under one visit. Patients with several comorbidities or complex needs may require a longer visit and a 30-minute appointment make sense. This issue is being addressed at the scheduling level to make appointment times appropriate to the needs of the patients.
- Some of the MAs are more comfortable than others with preparing for procedures which can impact the 15-minute patient visits.
- The committee talked about creating a flyer that would give some information on how to prepare for a visit, see attached flyers. These flyers were approved by Sea Mar and they will be posted in the clinic including the exam rooms. There is also the suggestion of placing an article in the Beachcomber for appointment information.

- The goal of 20 appointments per day allows for same day and walk-in visits. The clinic sees injuries like lacerations and fractures regularly.
- c. Outreach Committee- Commissioner Pryne, Commissioner Brown
  - i. Update, see Superintendent Report attached

Commissioner Pryne reported:

- In addition to reaching out to Vashon Household, Wendy Aman has reached out to the Vashon Island Growers and is working with their members and the people that work on the farms who are getting low wages.
- He and Ms. Kerry Barnes gave a brief presentation and a Q&A to the Board of Granny's Attic. Ms. Barnes mentioned that the clinic continues to get new patients and they are seeing more Latinx patients.
- He reached out to Mr. Jesus Sanchez and Ms. Kerry Barnes about a grant request from Granny's Attic. The deadline for grant applications is 01 September.
- Commissioner Brown adds that the committee is working on scheduling more speaking engagements. She has a meeting with residents at JG Commons.

#### 7. Public Input, up to 15 minutes collectively

Dr. Mary Bergman asked if the physicians get three hours for administration work if the goal is 20 15-minute appointments. She says that three hours is a huge amount of time for administration work. She added that the Chamber and Rotary meetings are now in person.

Commissioner Noble clarified that in the three hours of non-scheduled appointments the physicians see walk-in patients. She thinks the average visits the physicians are actually seeing is between 19-21 appointments a day.

Richard Gordon commented that he has been getting his x-rays off island and asked if x-ray is now available at the clinic. He commented that if he were to follow the guidelines the Clinic Relations Committee discussed, it might be hard to ask his doctor questions that fall outside of what the visit is being coded for.

Commissioner Noble said that the clinic can do most routine x-rays now. President Langland thanks Mr. Gordon for his comments and adds that when the district places the Beachcomber article, they will be sure not to imply that coding dictates what the patient can discuss.

Alan Aman says he knows there is informative reporting on schedule utilization that Sea Mar can probably easily produce. He supports Superintendent Jensen's work especially in the last year. He appreciated the goals that are being expressed which shows the district moving from the crisis around primary care to thinking of longer-term matters as it focuses around the development of a 2022 strategic plan. He asks if there has been a proposed approach that has been adopted or is the strategic plan a discussion item for now? He wonders how this very important item will be handled in the next couple of quarters.

Superintendent Jensen says that for now he is presenting his set of goals and waiting for Board approval. Once he receives their approval then he will work on the process and timelines of the strategic plan.

#### 8. New Business

- a. Resolution 2021-1, Appointment of Agent to Receive Claims for Damages, see attached

Commissioner Pryne motions to approve Resolution 2021-1, Appointment of Agent to Receive Claims for Damages and Commissioner Brown seconds the motion:

“I move we adopt Resolution 2021-1.”

**RESOLUTION APPROVED 4-0**

- b. Draft Annual Performance Review for Superintendent Policy, see attached
  - i. Tabled
- c. Proposal to reach out to KC Library System

Commissioner Pryne reported that it is highly likely that the King County Library will put a lid lift on the ballot next year. Assuming the passage of the Best Starts for Kids Levy, the King County Road Levy Lid Lift and the King County Library Levy Lid Lift in 2022, there would likely be pro-rating that impacts the district in 2023. He would like the Board’s consent to reach out to King County Library District to let them know of the possible implications of their levy lid lift and make them aware of this circumstance. The Board thanked him for his work and supports his request.

- d. VYFS Community Survey results and invitation to Yve Susskind

Vashon Youth and Family Services (VYFS) received a King County Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) grant in 2020. They hired Yve Susskind, a consultant on the island, to conduct the community survey. Yve surveyed both individuals and organizations, looking at not only mental illness and drug dependency, but also contributing factors impacting treatment including cultural issues, marginalization based on race and LGBTQ status, language barriers, and immigrant status. Vashon has a significant problem with drug and alcohol abuse, domestic violence and has the highest suicide rate among small communities in King County.

Commissioner Noble attended the presentation of the survey and joined the discussion to talk about the result and conclusions. The Board should be aware of the different groups on the island addressing these issues, and look for ways to support those efforts. One of the things that is going to be most important is for the Board to encourage Sea Mar to collaborate with VYFS when they do get a behavioral health provider on-board who has prescriptive authority. Yve Susskind would like to present the survey results to the Board.

- e. Updates from Vashon Be Prepared/MRC

Commissioner Noble reports that the people who are interested in getting a test for COVID can schedule one at Sea Mar. The Vashon Pharmacy also offers take-home tests. These are the options available on island. Unfortunately, Sea Mar is two weeks out for scheduling.

Commissioner Noble reported that she signed up to be on a committee for Cascadia Rising in 2022. This committee will be collaborating with Sea Mar from the triage and treatment field sites during the event. If there were an actual earthquake, people are going to go to Sea Mar and expect to be taken care of there. The district needs to support Sea Mar in their involvement with this project.

Comments:

President Langland thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.

## 9. Adjournment

Commissioner Noble motions adjournment and Commissioner Brown seconds the motion:

"I move we adjourn."

**ADJOURNMENT APPROVED 4-0**

Adjourned at 20:42

The next Regular Board Meeting will be Wednesday, July 21, at 19:00 on ZOOM,  
<https://zoom.us/j/94707956113>.