

North Valley Hospital District

Okanogan County Public Hospital District No. 4

North Valley Hospital/Clinic Division; and North Valley Long Term Care Division

The public is invited to attend in person or virtually with Google Meet:

The physical location of this meeting will be in the Clinical Training Lab, in the Verbeck Building Basement

Meeting ID:meet.google.com/gfk-skvn-fir; Phone Numbers: (US)+1 617-675-4444

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Board of Commissioners Regular Board Meeting

March 30, 2023 7:00 PM

Vision

Exceptional care that enhances the well-being of our communities.

Mission

Cultivate healthcare rooted in compassion, stewardship, and excellence.

Values

Trust-Accountability-Integrity-Safety-Diversity-Viability

Board Members in attendance:

Jean Pfeifer, President	Adam Tibbs
Jerry Bradley, VP	Vicki Lewis
Dick Larson, Secretary	

Call to Order- J. Pfeifer called the meeting to order at 7:02pm, welcomed the public, and read the Vision, Mission, Values statement.

Minutes

- I. **Public Participation** – according to Resolution No. 488-Public Participation Policy
J. Pfeifer asked for comments from the public, there were none.
- II. **Board Education**
 - a. Chad Schmitt, CIO, provided Board education on cyber security covering topics about backup, port scans, perimeter defenses, and multifactor education. C. Schmitt, A. Ulrich, and J. McReynolds responded to questions from the Board. C. Schmitt left the meeting at 7:40pm.

III. Reports:

a. Administration Report

In addition to the written report, John McReynolds, CEO, shared he continues to recruit for the HR Director and CFO positions. He shared the Strategic Planning kick off dates for the Advisory Group and Steering Committee are coming up and he is looking forward to getting started; and gave an update on the flooring project in Extended Care.

b. Committee Reports

- i. Foundation-** Commissioner Lewis reported revised Foundation bylaws were approved.
- ii. Long Range Focus-** Commissioner Pfeifer reported the Spring Newsletter had been mailed the previous week.
- iii. Medical Staff-** Commissioner Larson noted everything is going well with medical staff. He and Commissioner Lewis commented on the quality of Dr. Ball's peer review.
- iv. Building & Planning-** Commissioner Bradley reported on the construction projects, server relocation, and water damage repair.
- v. Safety-** Commissioner Lewis reported the committee is focused on violence in the workplace and will miss Kim Jacobs, Safety Officer.
- vi. Finance-** Commissioner Tibbs reported the finance committee topics had already been mentioned and added LTC collection efforts were positive.

c. Financial Report

A. Ulrich, CFO, reported that December financials had been revised with the reallocation of \$350,000 from deferred revenue into income. January financials are in process.

IV. Approval of Minutes

a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes: February 23, 2023

J Bradley moved, A. Tibbs seconded, to approve the minutes of February 23, 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Consent Agenda:

- a. Charity Care** \$ 13,771.63
- b. Bad Debt** \$ 36,388.31
- c. NVH A/P Vouchers No 119000-119387** \$ 3,755,324.94
- d. LTC A/P Vouchers No. 23000-23077** \$ 519,510.46

D. Larson moved, A. Tibbs seconded, to approve consent agenda items a. through d. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Old Business:

a. Discussion of Potential Construction Projects

J. McReynolds, CEO, spoke about the design and contracting pieces of the project. DOH has approved the project plans and NVH now has a building permit.

J. McReynolds noted a draft contract is under legal review, the district is looking for opportunities for cost savings, adherence to DOH and USDA requirements, and to make sure NVH interest is protected. He also noted the District is waiting for a schedule for when the Trane HVAC unit will be built and that financing work is happening concurrently.

VII. New Business

a. Medical Staff Appointments

Courtesy Appointment

Michael Ali, MD - ERX

Courtesy Reappointment

Donna Beardslee, PA-C – ERX

Germain Johnson, MD - Radia

D. Larson read the list of providers noting they have been reviewed and approved by Medical Staff, he recommended approval as applied for. A. Tibbs moved, J. Bradley seconded, to approve the appointments as applied for. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Mask Mandate

J. McReynolds, CEO, spoke on the April 3rd WA State universal masking update. He noted the change has been discussed with Medical Staff and regional healthcare facilities, and that NVH's objective is to protect employees with good infection control and to align policy with the other regional hospitals. J. McReynolds explained the new policy will require employees to wear surgical masks during direct patient care, and universal masking during an active outbreak. Masking will be optional for patients but recommended for respiratory symptoms. There was discussion on the vaccine mandate and signage. Commissioner Tibbs expressed agreement with Administration's policy recommendation.

VIII. Adjournment: D Larson moved and A Tibbs seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously; J. Pfeifer adjourned the meeting at 8:13 pm.

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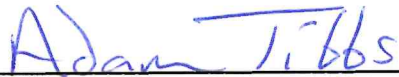


Jean Pfeifer, President

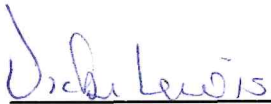


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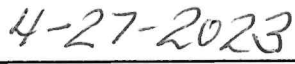
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Adam Tibbs, Commissioner



Vicki Lewis, Commissioner



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