

King County Public Hospital District No. 2
d/b/a EvergreenHealth
Board of Commissioners Meeting
EvergreenHealth Medical Center, Kirkland, WA
March 3, 2020
Study Session Meeting Minutes

Comms. Present: Comms. Butler, DeYoung, Edwards, Hirt, McLaughlin, Pilcher, and Snyder

Medical Staff Leadership: Chad Bentsen, MD

Others Present: Chris Bredeson, Richard Meeks, Tina Mycroft, Ettore Palazzo, MD, Bob Sampson, Candace Scairpon, Kay Taylor, Jeff Tomlin, MD, Dave Likosky, Garrett Buckingham, Ray Neibert – Security

Legal Counsel: Kevin Hansen

Guests: None present

PUBLIC MEETING AND EXECUTIVE SESSION

Comm. McLaughlin called the March 3, 2020 Study Session Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Public Hospital District No. 2 to order at 4:30 p.m. Ms. Scairpon announced that the Board would immediately adjourn into Executive Session to consider and discuss pending litigation, property acquisition, personnel matters and quality improvement review. Ms. Scairpon further announced that the Executive Session would adjourn at approximately 5:30 p.m. and that the open Public Meeting would reconvene at approximately 5:35 p.m. after a short recess.

The Executive Session commenced at 4:30 p.m. The Executive Session was concluded at 5:32 p.m., at which time a short recess was taken.

Comm. McLaughlin reconvened the Public Meeting, calling it to order at 5:38 p.m. and welcoming those present.

Order of Business There were no changes to the agenda.

Discussion Items for Proposed Action on March 17, 2020

2019 Quality and Absolute Safety Appraisal Ettore Palazzo, MD, Chief Medical and Quality Officer, reviewed highlights of this report, the requirements for

approval, and key clinical metrics, recognition of quality and patient safety in 2019, areas of success, and areas of opportunity. Dr. Palazzo responded to questions from the Board throughout the presentation.

**Critical Care Unit (CCU)
Tenant Improvement
Project Bid Information**

Garett Buckingham, Director of Design & Construction, Construction Management, noted the CCU work is the first of two major projects that were approved in the Master Facility Plan 2 and should be completed within about 10 months. On March 17th we will be bringing forward the low, responsive and responsible bidder for the Board's approval. Mr. Buckingham responded to questions from the Board.

**EHA Cardiac Joint Venture
Revision**

Jeff Friedman, VP Operations, presented the updated documents for the Cardiac Joint Venture, noting a summary of changes has been provided and will be finalized soon and that some of these changes noted in the Cardiac amendment will also go in the Neuro agreement. Mr. Friedman responded to questions from the Board throughout the presentation.

COVID-19 Update

Jeff Tomlin, MD, CEO, thanked the Board for coming in tonight amidst everything. He expressed gratitude to those who have helped design these facilities, the commitment of the organization to emergency preparedness, the facilities team, and the staff taking care of our patients. Additionally, Dr. Tomlin reviewed our drive-thru testing clinic, noted we are working closely with the CDC, DOH and Life Care and noted Congresswoman Suzan DelBene called to check in and was complimentary of the work being done here. Monique Gablehouse, VP Post-Acute Care, provided current statistics, Dr. Palazzo provided an overview of the COVID-19 tests, and Kay Taylor, Chief Communications Officer, reviewed the internal and external communications plan. Dr. Tomlin asked the Board to be ambassadors for us, help people understand the truth, and provide education and thanked them for their support.

Comm. McLaughlin stated on behalf of the Board we are extremely appreciative and proud of the work you're doing. Please pace yourselves and take care of yourselves.

Reports

Medical Staff Update

Dr. Bentsen noted we came off of King County EMS diversion this morning, which means patients with severe stroke symptoms can now be cared for here. Additionally, the Voalte launch was successful and we are looking forward to rolling it out to other areas in the future.

CEO/Administrative Update

Dr. Tomlin responded to questions from the Board regarding his written report, including one about the recent billing issue.

Adjourn

The March 3, 2020 meeting of the Board of Commissioners for King County Public Hospital District No. 2 was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

ATTEST:



Minerva Butler, Secretary/Commissioner