

**Southern Coos Health District**  
Board of Directors Meeting  
July 23, 2009 – 7:30 p.m.

**Minutes**

- I. **Call to Order** - The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors for Southern Coos Health District was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman, David Allen.

Members Present: David Allen, Chair; Marilyn Noorda; Brian Vick; Vicki Gernandt and Gregory Aitchison, M.D.

Others Present: Jim Wathen, Donna and James Reilly, Lonnie Scarborough, David Koch, Counsel; Christina Geer, Esther Williams, Gail McClave, M.D.; Bill Princen, M.D.; Dennis Jurgenson; and Melody Gillard-Juarez.

Public Attending: About 20 public attendees.

- II. **Public Input** – Myra Lawson welcomed Marilyn Noorda to the Board of Directors. Mike Claassen voiced concerns regarding CEO contract that was approved by the Board at the special meeting on June 29.

- III. **Swearing In** – Marilyn Noorda, new Board Member, was sworn in by David Koch, Board Counsel.

- IV. **Consent Agenda** – Mr. Allen asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Vick **Moved** to accept Consent Agenda. Dr. Aitchison **Seconded** the motion. Mr. Allen said he had a quasi-correction to the minutes where it says we accepted the meeting schedule. He felt the Board said OK, but we want to look at moving the meeting for a number of reasons and kind of left it up in the air. He said he was not sure if this required an amendment to the Minutes, it will be on the Agenda later in this meeting. He then asked the Board's pleasure as to whether it needed to be amended. Ms. Gernandt and Mr. Vick said they did not think it needed to be amended. Motion to accept Consent Agenda passed unanimously.

V. **Staff Reports**

CEO Report – Mr. Wathen referred to his narrative then told members he had regrettably accepted the resignation of David Rollins. We started last week searching for his replacement. We are going to miss him, as David is in the highest quartile of CFOs I have worked with in the past 30 years. We wish him well. Mr. Allen said David is the best he has ever worked with. Mr. Rollins said he would be available by phone and email to help with monthly reports and anything else that might come up.

CFO Report – Mr. Rollins said he has published preliminary reports for 2009. At this point we are \$257,000 in the black, a big turn around from being \$750,000 in

the hole earlier this year. Inpatients days down 32%; outpatient has increased 25%. Surgery is 15% above last year; outpatient another 5%. Private pay increased and A/R went down. Discussion of RACs (Recovery Audit Contractors) followed; we have already sent 7 people to training.

CNO Report – Referred members to reports and added that as of Tuesday she had called off 8 RNs and 2 CNAs due to patient census. Discussion of 12-hour shifts and effect on patient safety followed.

## V. Old Business

Benchmark Reports – Mr. Wathen said the Risk Management and Core Measures are recurring reports chosen by the Board. There were questions regarding billing errors and injuries. Discussion followed.

## VI. New Business –

Election of Officers – Dr. Aitchison **Moved** to nominate David Allen to continue as Chair. There were no other nominations. Ms. Gernandt **Seconded** the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

David Allen **Moved** to nominate Vicki Gernandt as Board Secretary and Brian Vick as Board Treasurer. There were no other nominations. Dr. Aitchison **Seconded** the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

FY 09-10 Meeting Schedule – Moving Board meetings to the third Thursday of the month was discussed. Following discussion, Mr. Allen asked for a motion. Dr. Aitchison **Moved** to change Board meetings to the third Thursday of each month. Ms. Noorda **Seconded** the motion. Motion passed unanimously. A new schedule will be prepared and distributed at the August meeting.

Conflict of Interest Statement – Mr. Koch, Board Counsel, went over the statement that was in the Board packet. Discussion followed on when a potential and/or a clear conflict of interest needed to be stated by a Board member. It was decided that the Conflict of Interest statement would be presented to Board members for their signatures and kept on file in Administration.

Medical Staff Appointments: Mr. Wathen presented the Medical Staff reappointments for approval by the Board. Dr. Aitchison stated a conflict of interest. Ms. Gernandt **Moved** to accept the Medical Staff reappointments presented. Ms. Noorda **Seconded** the motion. Motion passed with 4 Ayes and Dr. Aitchison abstaining.

New Courtesy Staff Members – Mr. Wathen said he was bringing forth Drs. Bert, Keizer and McLean for appointment to the SCH Courtesy Medical Staff. Dr. Aitchison **Moved** to accept the appointments. Ms. Gernandt **Seconded** the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## Open Discussion

Dr. Aitchison – Thanked David Rollins for all his work. He will be missed. He did an outstanding job.

Ms. Noorda – Had a great two days meeting hospital staff. It was very rewarding. Thanked Jim and all that were involved in those meetings.

Ms. Gernandt – Welcomed Ms. Noorda. She told Mr. Rollins that he had really educated her and she was going to miss him.

Mr. Vick – Welcomed Ms. Noorda. Mr. Rollins will be missed.

Mr. Allen – Welcomed Ms. Noorda. He said David was the best he had every worked with.

## **VII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Southern Coos Health District Board will be Thursday, **August 20, 2009**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

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David Allen, Chairman

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Vicki Gernandt, Secretary