



Committee: Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting - Public Session

Meeting Date: April 23, 2020

Minutes Prepared By: Shannon Stec, Executive Assistant

Members Present: (all phone) Members Absent: Others Present: (all phone)

Cynthia Hogan, Chair
Mike Tennican, Treasurer
Linda Aurelio, Secretary
Joe Albright
Bruce Hayse, MD
Scott Gibson
Sue Critzer

Paul Beaupre, CEO	Marsha Sensat
John Kren, COO/CFO	Tom Lubnau
Richelle Heldwein	Jim Johnston
Thom Kinney	Phillip Fox
John Goettler	Alisa Lane
Morgan Gurney	Karen Connelly
Sherry Simpson	Lance Spranger
Jonathan Schechter	Blair Christy
D Kennedy	Nick Healey
Joan Goldfarb	
Laurie Fukawa	

Board Advisors Present:

Bill Best
Dave Robertson
Debby Hopkins
Marc Domskey, DO

Call to Order

The public board meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Chair Cynthia Hogan.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Hogan asked for any questions or changes to the minutes of March 26, 2020.

A motion was made by Scott Gibson to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2020 Board of Trustees regular meeting, the motion was seconded by Cynthia Hogan, and the motion passed unanimously.

Comments from the Chair

Ms. Hogan noted that we have added this board meeting in order to stay up-to-date and get briefed on what has been happening over the last month since the board last met. Ms. Hogan thanked the administration and all of the staff at St. John's Health for their heroic actions over the last month. Ms. Hogan specifically noted the Friday joint information meetings with the hospital, county, and public health, as well as the teamwork that we have been seeing between us, public health, and our elected officials. This teamwork really gives a feeling of openness of information. Great leadership allows the community to focus on sheltering in place and preventative measures.

Ms. Hogan also noted that the sheriff's office is delivering medications to those in the community who are sheltering in the place. Hospital staff should reach out to the sheriff's department directly if they have a patient who needs assistance.

CEO Report

COVID-19 Update

- Teton County currently sits at 63 cases and we just had our first death reported.
- To date St. John's has performed 399 tests and we are doing the majority of testing in the community.
- We are currently utilizing telehealth for the majority of our clinic visits and currently have completed over 2,100 telehealth visits.

Financial Realities

- At the start of the COVID-19 crisis Feds were concerned about running out of PPE and placed restrictions on elective procedures. St. John's followed the Feds recommendation and turned off elective procedures. In addition, we also saw patients who were self-selecting, opting not to come in for a procedure due to concerns about their safety.
- We are expecting to see a \$5-6 million loss if we continue to hold off on performing elective procedures.

St. John's Health Response

- We are currently looking at all revenue producing options including grant applications, the CARES stimulus package, the Governor's Relief package, and phase 4 of the Federal Relief package.
- In addition we are working internally to reduce expenses. We have instituted a hiring freeze, have temporarily discontinued any unnecessary travel or education expenses, asking staff to take voluntary furloughs, asking staff to take PTO, and allowing for negative PTO banking.

Quality

- HealthStream, the platform we use for staff education, informed us that of all the hospitals that they work with we were the first ones to institute COVID-19 training and education for staff.
- Practice GreenHealth has once again awarded us the Partner for Change Award. The award specifically recognizes our recycling efforts, program to make medications mercury free, and our efforts to reduce our carbon foot print.

Sage Living

- The brown building that was between the office building and the current Living Center has been torn down which will allow us to move forward with Sage Living without any work arounds. The construction crew was very excited to demo the building and have it be out of the way.
- The project is going well.

Community Programs

- We have been so supported by the community. We have received more than 10,000 hand sewn masks from the community. We have kept 3,000 of those masks and are distributing the rest out to community members through various stations around the county.
- We want to recognize board chair, Cynthia Hogan, for the creation of Quarantine Cuisine, which will help to ensure that community members, specifically those who are in need, will have meals.
- A special thank you to the St. John's Health Foundation for their working in helping to secure PPE, rapid PCR testing, and for serving on our Antibody Testing Committee.

Dr. Beaupré asked for any questions.

Finance, IT and Facilities Committee – Ms. Aurelio noted that the Finance Committee would like to make a special motion to allow for a line of credit to be created.

Ms. Aurelio moved to approve a resolution authorizing the issuance by Teton County Hospital District to enter into a line of credit, in a maximum principal amount not to exceed \$20,000,000, authorizing a loan agreement, and authorizing the members of the Board of Trustees, employees of the district, and counsel to the district to take any and all actions necessary to effectuate the issuance of said bonds and the consummation of said transactions. Ms. Critzer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business – No old business.

New Business – No new business.

Public Comment – No public comment.

Next Meeting

The next regular monthly meeting will be Tuesday, May 26, 2020. Public session will be held at 4:00 p.m., executive session will be held at 3:00 p.m. This meeting will be Webex only.

Adjournment

Ms. Hogan adjourned the meeting at 4:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon Stec, Executive Assistant