



**Board of Commissioners and Community Advisors Council  
Snohomish County Public Hospital District No. 1  
Regular Board Meeting**

**Minutes  
May 1, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Commissioner Accetturo in the Godard Room at EvergreenHealth Monroe. Present from EvergreenHealth Monroe were Commissioner Greg Accetturo; Commissioner Tony Balk; Commissioner Charles Strub; Commissioner Steve Matuschak; Renee Jensen, Sr. Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer; Lisa LaPlante, Chief Operating Officer; Community Advisor Patricia Fountain; Community Advisor Scot Noel; Community Advisor Janine Dawson; Community Advisor Nada Dyson; Community Advisor Marci Volmer; Eric Britt, Interim Director of the Recovery Center and Dr. Teresa Jackson, Addiction Medicine.

***PUBLIC COMMENT***

SEIU Union staff members arrived at the board meeting and expressed an interest in making comments. Attendees included Jason Beauchene, Jenny Lemire, Jennifer Ring, Raquel Hummel, Jennifer Sponseller, Dominga Rice, Christina Preston, Angela Brand, Margaret Evanson, Maru Marshall, Rebecca Boll, Theresa Young, Travis Swanberg, Sile Zacharias and Maria Darilag.

A few members of the group acted as speakers. The concerns voiced pertained to issues with staff turnover and associated low staffing, issues with retention due to low wages and mentioned the sacrifices staff had made to stay with the organization. The staff talked about how much they love the patients and their co-workers and the commitment they feel to the community the hospital serves.

***CONSENT AGENDA***

Commissioner Accetturo called for a motion to approve the April 3, 2018 minutes as presented.

**Motion:** Commissioner Balk moved to approve the April 3, 2018 minutes as presented. Commissioner Cabe seconded the motion. ***Motion carried, unanimously voted yes.***

***SCPHD#1 BOARD BUSINESS***

**Interim Treasurer and Auditors Appointment Resolution**

The Resolution No. 2018-03: Interim Treasurer and Auditor Appointment was reviewed.

Commissioner Accetturo called for a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-03: Interim Treasurer and Auditor Appointment.

**Motion:** Commissioner Balk moved to approve the resolution as presented. Commissioner Strub seconded the motion. ***Motion carried, unanimously voted yes.***

### **RECOVERY CENTER**

COO LaPlante introduced EvergreenHealth Monroe's new Medical Director of Addiction Medicine, Dr. Teresa Jackson, and the Director of the Recovery Center, Mr. Eric Britt. Dr. Jackson and Mr. Britt provided the group with an update on the Recovery Center and the care provided. A few highlights were:

- The likelihood of a person who has overdosed to overdose again within the next year is extremely high. Caring for those patients requires the highest levels of harm reduction. Abstinence based treatment for heavy drug users has a 90% failure rate and is finally being recognized as an ineffective treatment.
- Dr. Jackson is available to provide consults to the in-patient hospital units to ensure the services are available in both settings and that there is continuity between the units.
- Dr. Jackson and Mr. Britt are working on the intake process and relationship with Kirkland to ensure those patients that need care from the Recovery Center can receive it.
- The Recovery Center is unable to contract with Medicaid, aside from the CUPW program, due to the number of beds at the center.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SURVEY**

CAO Jensen provided the group with the feedback received from the Community Advisors on the Community Engagement Survey. The group was prompted to discuss the feedback received and expand on opinions voiced within the survey. Some comments included:

- Community Advisors felt the hospital had more engagement within the community prior to the association with EvergreenHealth. The feedback indicated that the ER was well known and respected, as is the 3D mammo. Other services were not well communicated throughout the community and the opportunity for Providence to provide an alternative exists.
- Commissioner Accetturo encouraged the Community Advisors to participate in local events along with the hospital leadership to provide another voice and perspective about EHM to community members.
- Ms. Volmer suggested reaching out to community social media groups, like the Snohomies, to get some free advertising on their social media pages. This, combined with the grassroots community engagement efforts of the executive, may have a meaningful impact on who utilize the facility.

### **CAO Report**

#### **Chief Administrative Officer's Report**

Ms. Jensen presented the CAO report. A few highlights are:

- Ms. Jensen, her executive team and the Commissioners attended a Board Educational in Kirkland on March 13<sup>th</sup>. The board was presented with the investment needs of the organization and the leadership at Kirkland and Monroe are working on a way to effectively fund these needs. Ms. Jensen and the board are also looking at the possibility of asking the community for some additional funds.
- The Monroe Garden Club is working to refresh the Healing Garden. Ms. Jensen expressed her appreciation for this effort, knowing it will have a meaningful impact on the patient experience.
- SEIU Negotiations are on-going. The UCFW negotiations have been finalized and the contract will be approved at the Alliance Governance Board meeting on May 2, 2018.
- Dr. Larrabee will be leading the efforts to engage more with the Sultan Primary Care Clinic and help them align with the hospital. She also hopes to help them utilize the resources that the hospital can provide more effectively.
- Dr. Joel Weber, a new orthopedic surgeon, has been recruited and signed his contract today. He will be joining the team in September 2018.



**COMMUNITY ADVISOR OPEN FEEDBACK FORUM**

Commissioner Accetturo opened the floor to discuss the visit by the union staff. The Community Advisors asked about staff appreciation and the efforts that are being made to recognize and thank staff. Ms. Jensen noted that she and her executive team round regularly on the floor to touch base with the staff, asking them about colleagues they want to recognize. Hospital and nurse's week are coming up and there are events throughout the week designed to thank the staff.

**ADJOURN**

With no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

**ATTEST:**



Gregory Accetturo, Board Chair &  
Commissioner



Stephen Matuschak, Commissioner



Charles Strub MD, Board Secretary  
& Commissioner



Alice Cabe, Commissioner



Anthony Balk, Commissioner