



MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
5:30 PM - Wednesday, August 28, 2024
Conference Rooms 1&2 and Zoom

The meeting of the Board of Directors of South Peninsula Hospital was called to order on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, at 5:30 PM, in the Conference Rooms 1&2 and Zoom.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Aaron Weisser called the regular meeting to order at 5:30pm.

2. ROLL CALL

BOARD PRESENT: Matthew Hambrick, Walter Partridge, Aaron Weisser, Bernadette Wilson, Beth Wythe, Preston Simmons, and Christopher Landess

BOARD EXCUSED: Matthew Bullard, Edson Knapp

ALSO PRESENT: Ryan Smith (CEO); Anna Hermanson (CFO); Christina Tuomi (CMO); Derotha Ferraro (PR/Marketing Director); Scott Adams (Community Member)
**Only meeting participants who comment, give report or give presentations are noted in the minutes. Others may be present.*

A quorum was present.

3. REFLECT ON LIVING OUR VALUES

Dr. Christina Tuomi shared a story about a recent ultrasound course that South Peninsula Hospital hosted. There was excellent participation and feedback from the medical staff. The Biomed team put together and tested the ultrasound machines, Steven and Ralph from Facilities provided stretchers and miscellaneous equipment. Justin and Sarah from EVS supplied the linen required for the models, Expediting helped with delivery and Dietary made excellent meals that the attendees raved about. The Education department and Medical Staff Office put a lot of work into making it a professional and well-received training.

4. WELCOME GUESTS & PUBLIC / INTRODUCTIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Weisser welcomed members of the public.

4.1. Rules for Participating in a Public Meeting

This document was provided in the packet and printed copies were available at the meeting.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ITEMS OF ANY MATTER

Community member Scott Adams gave comment on the upcoming bond proposal. He was not in support of the bond, with his primary objections being competition for other, future bond proposals, the cost of care, and competition with property values. He does not believe Homer needs to have as many services offered at the hospital, and

is comfortable driving to Soldotna for medical care. Mr. Weisser thanked him for voicing his opinion.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

6.1.

Beth Wythe made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Chief of Staff Christopher Landess seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

7. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Ms. Wythe read the consent calendar into the record.

7.1. Consideration to Approve the South Peninsula Hospital (SPH) Board of Directors meeting minutes for July 24, 2024

7.2. Consideration to Approve July FY2025 Financials

7.3. Consideration to Accept the Resignation of Jared Baker from the SPH Board of Directors effective July 25, 2024

7.4. Consideration to Accept the Resignation of Melissa Jacobsen from the SPH Board of Directors effective July 30, 2024

7.5. Consideration to approve revised board policies F-15 New Service Approval and Service Elimination Policy and F-17 Discretionary Contributions Policy as revised and approved by the Finance and Governance Committees

Beth Wythe made a motion to approve the consent calendar as read. Bernadette Wilson seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

8. PRESENTATIONS

8.1. Ballot Proposition 1

Derotha Ferraro, SPH Marketing/PR Director, gave an update on the upcoming ballot vote. She spoke about the history of the relationship between the borough and the hospital and the hospital's master facility planning process. She discussed the new and expanded services, infrastructure improvements and property acquisitions included in the bond. She also discussed the hospital's bonding history, effects on the mill levy and reasons to support the bond.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1. Consideration to Approve SPH Resolution 2024-20, A Resolution of the South Peninsula Hospital Board of Directors Approving a Plan

Amendment for the Defined Benefit Pension Plan to Adhere to Updated Regulatory Cycle 3 Requirements

Anna Hermanson, CFO, reported. Every six years the IRS requires we update defined benefit plans to include any regulatory updates. Those required updates are outlined in the resolution. Mr. Partridge added that this resolution was discussed and approved in both Pension and Finance Committees this month.

Beth Wythe made a motion to approve SPH Resolution 2024-20, A Resolution of the South Peninsula Hospital Board of Directors Approving a Plan Amendment for the Defined Benefit Pension Plan to Adhere to Updated Regulatory Cycle 3 Requirements Christopher Landess seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

10.2. Consideration to Approve Updated Neurology Privileges as Recommended by the Medical Staff

Dr. Tuomi reported. These are new neurology privileges developed by the medical staff in anticipation of Dr. Heiry, the new full-time neurologist, joining the team. This document separates out core privileges from inpatient and specialty privileges. It also separates adult from pediatric privileges.

Beth Wythe made a motion to approve updated neurology Privileges as recommended by the Medical Staff. Matthew Hambrick seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

10.3. Consideration to Approve the purchase of board education and governance resources through GovernWell for \$6,950.

Beth Wythe reported. This proposal will give the board a platform for board self-evaluation, which needs to be accomplished this year, as well as number of additional education and training opportunities through GovernWell. Mr. Weisser added they have excellent resources for board applications and interview screening questions as well. The board supported this purchase.

Beth Wythe made a motion to approve the purchase of board education and governance resources through GovernWell for \$6,950. Preston Simmons seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

11. REPORTS

11.1. Chief Executive Officer

Ryan Smith, CEO, gave a brief verbal report. The balanced scorecard did not change this month. SPH has welcomed a few new physicians this month, including new OB/Gyn Sadie Marden and Melissa Heiry who is a full-time neurologist starting soon.

11.2. BOD Committee: Pension

Walter Partridge, committee chair, reported. The committee met last week. There was an excellent presentation by Steven Schreiber from Newport on the status and health of the pension plan. He and his team had no

recommendations to change anything. There were positive results in all of the plans. Ms. Hermanson put together a nice summary report for the committee to review. The committee also reviewed and approved the resolution that came before the board tonight.

11.3. BOD Committee: Finance

Walter Partridge, committee chair, reported. The committee met last week and reviewed the financials for July, which were pretty positive. The committee reviewed the updated balanced scorecard indicators, which were finalized after the closing of the fiscal year. The committee also reviewed and approved the resolution that came before the board tonight.

11.4. BOD Committee: Governance

Beth Wythe, committee chair, reported. The committee met last week. There are currently two open positions on the board that need to be filled. We have decided to fill Melissa's vacancy through the normal election process, since her term was up this year. The board will look to appoint someone to Jared Baker's seat as soon as possible, since he had just started his term. We will also hold an election to fill the vacancy at Vice President. Ms. Wilson and Mr. Bullard completed a review of the bylaws, which will come to the board for a first reading next month. The committee had a discussion on term limits, but felt there had been enough natural turnover lately and didn't feel the need to take this up at this time. The Board/Medical Staff dinner is scheduled for Monday, October 7th.

11.5. Chief of Staff

Dr. Roberts was excused from the meeting.

11.6. Service Area Board Representative

Kathryn Ault reported on behalf of the Service Area Board (SAB). The SAB passed the resolution 24-08 which is about taking money from PREF funds to help establish the new OB clinic in the former rehab space. We discussed the bond issue on the upcoming borough elections in October. Helen Armstrong and Kathryn Ault are both running unopposed for their seats and Willy Dunne has decided not to run in favor of running for a borough assembly seat. Two people will be running for that seat.

12. DISCUSSION

There were no discussion items.

13. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ITEMS OF ANY MATTER

There were no additional comments from the audience.

14. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

(Announcements/Congratulations)

14.1. Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Smith commended the Long Term Care team for another excellent survey. In 2019 they were rated a two star facility, and they have done a lot of work to bring that rating up to five-stars.

14.2. Board Members

Ms. Wythe congratulated Mr. Smith for having a great staff. Mr. Partridge appreciated the leadership reports. He congratulated the winners of the AHHA awards. He thanked Derotha for the excellent presentation. Mr. Simmons echoed Mr. Partridge's comments. Ms. Wilson congratulated Long Term Care on their successful survey. Mr. Weisser shared that he's been participating in the NRHA's board certification program for the past two months and would highly recommend it. It may be a great resource for incoming board members.

15. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

15.1. Board Agenda Calendar 2024

The board agenda calendar was included in the packet as an informational item.

16. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

The board adjourned to executive session at 6:41pm.

17. READJOURNMENT OF OPEN SESSION FOLLOWING DISCUSSION IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

17.1. Consideration to Approve SPH Resolution 2024-21, A Resolution of the South Peninsula Hospital Board of Directors Approving Medical Staff Credentialing for August 2024

Beth Wythe made a motion to approve SPH Resolution 2024-21, A Resolution of the South Peninsula Hospital Board of Directors Approving Medical Staff Credentialing for August 2024, approving the following:

That the South Peninsula Hospital Board of Directors approves the initial appointment of:

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| • Ruxandra Costa, MD | TeleICU-Prov | Telemedicine Privileges |
| • Darragh O'Mahony, MD | TeleICU-Prov | Telemedicine Privileges |
| • Lien Nguyen, DO | TeleStroke-Prov | Telemedicine Privileges |
| • Meghan Romba, MD | TeleStroke-Prov | Telemedicine Privileges |
| • Robert Joodi, MD | TeleRad-vRAD | Telemedicine Privileges |
| • David Krakowski, MD | TeleRad-vRAD | Telemedicine Privileges |
| • Richard Mitchell, MD | TeleRad-vRAD | Telemedicine Privileges |
| • Ty Ovella, MD | TeleRad-vRAD | Telemedicine Privileges |
| • John VanTassel, MD | TeleRad-vRAD | Telemedicine Privileges |
| • Gregory Aird, MD | Radiology | Courtesy Staff |

That the South Peninsula Hospital Board of Directors approves the following status modification requests:

- Jessica Jules, CRNA to Active Staff
- Kurt Mentzer, MD to Active Staff
- Kathy Madej, CRNA to Active Staff
- Lucy Fisher, MD to Active Staff

Matthew Hambrick seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

18. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Accepted:

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Maura Jones

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Maura Jones, Executive Assistant

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Aaron Weisser

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Aaron Weisser, President

Minutes Approved: September 25, 2024

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Mary E. Wythe, Secretary