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Board of Directors Lease and Building Committee Meeting Wednesday, March 29, 2017

## MINUTES

### 1. Call to Order

Chair Jennifer Rienks called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call / Approval of Agenda / Approval of Minutes

Committee Members Present: Chair Jennifer Rienks; Harris Simmonds, MD Staff Members Present: Jon Friedenberg, CAO; Louis Weiner, Executive Assistant Community Member Present: Brian Su, MD

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the agenda as presented.

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the Lease and Building Committee meeting of November 16, 2016.

#### 3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

### 4. Update: MGH Medical Staff Action

(a) Use of Medicinal Cannabis

Mr. Friedenberg reported. The initial consideration is for a CME (Continuing Medical Education) program for members of the MGH Medical Staff, on the subject of the general medicinal use of cannabis (not inpatient use, which has Federal legal restrictions). This is a function of Medical Staff, and not the hospital. The project is now in process as Dr. Gregg Tolliver, Chief of Staff, proposed to MEC (Medical Executive Committee) that the Medical Staff sponsor a CME event on the issue of the use of medicinal cannabis. MEC asked the Psychiatry physicians to discuss it; they did so at their meeting yesterday, and will report back to Dr. Tolliver with their recommendation. Other physicians who may take a direct interest in this subject include primary care physicians, oncologists, and pain management/ palliative care.

The second consideration is for the hospital to organize an informational event on the subject for the general public and/or the hospital staff, which would not require MEC approval or involvement.

Mr. Friedenberg and Dr. Su suggested that the MEC proceed with its CME program for physicians first, before the issue is considered to be presented in public forum.

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### (b) California End of Life Act

Mr. Friedenberg reported. At yesterday's meeting of the MGH Board Quality and Patient Safety Committee, the "End of Life Option Act Policy" was passed and will be forwarded to the MGH Board of Directors for approval. The Act is restricted solely to the outpatient setting, and no hospital has declared its intent or policy to allow end-of-life procedures to occur within its facility. He advised that the MHD 1206(b) clinics and Prima Medical Foundation establish policies stating whether or not they would allow their physicians to provide information to their patients, when requested, about the Act and about end-of-life options. He will forward the MGH Policy to Dr. Matthew Katics, Medical Director of Palliative Care, and Ms. Jan Sams, MGH Director of Risk, for their help in forming a similar policy for MHD, and they will be invited to the next meeting of this Committee.

### 5. Community Health Education Program

It was agreed that the End of Life Act would be a good first topic for a MHD-sponsored series of Community Health Education forums. This first forum would be scheduled and held after the District approves the policy as discussed above.

It will be requested of the MHD Board Chair that this Community Health Education Program would be overseen and coordinated by this Lease and Building Committee. Three or four events per year might be scheduled. Topics for future events will be requested of the MHD Board, MGH Medical Executive Committee, Marin Health and Human Services, et al.

### 6. <u>Schedule of L&B Committee Meetings 2017</u>

The next meeting will Weds. May 3, and subsequent meetings will be scheduled for the last Wednesday of each month through November.

### 7. Adjournment

Chair Rienks adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.