



**MARIN HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

REGULAR MEETING

**Tuesday, July 9, 2024 @ 5:30 pm
MarinHealth Medical Center
Conference Center**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Alfrey called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Board members present: Chair Edward Alfrey, MD; Vice Chair Brian Su, MD;
Secretary Ann Sparkman, RN/BSN, JD Jennifer Rienks, PhD; Samantha Ramirez, BSW
Staff present: David Klein, MD, CEO; Eric Brettner, CFO; Tricia Lee, EA

2. General Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Approve Agenda

Ms. Sparkman moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Rienks seconded. **Vote: all ayes.**

4. Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 11, 2024

Ms. Sparkman moved to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Ramirez seconded. **Vote: all ayes.**

5. Healthcare Advocacy and Emerging Challenges and Trends

Dr. Klein provided an update to AB 1778, which aims to create a two-year pilot program in Marin County for class 2 e-bikes. AB 1778 is expected to be on the Governor's desk in early August, with anticipation it will be signed. However, opposition is expected from local municipalities such as concerns from law enforcement related to enforcement difficulties.

Dr. Klein also provided an update to AB 977 Penalties for Assaulting Healthcare Workers. Progress was impeded due to complications with Proposition 47. The bill was removed from the ballot by the Governor delaying further action until August.

6. Committee Reports

A. Finance & Audit Committee

Dr. Su reported that the committee met on June 19, 2024 to review and the annual audit by Moss Adams. Mr. Brettner reported that it was a clean audit. The Finance and Audit Committee had voted to recommend approval of the audit by the Board.



Dr. Alfrey asked for a motion to approve the Marin Healthcare District 2023 Report of Independent Auditors and Financial Statements. Ms. Sparkman so moved. Dr. Su seconded. **Vote: all ayes.**

Dr. Su reported the committee also discussed April's financials, of note April had negative investment earnings, but are expected to recover in the month of May.

Dr. Su also provided an update on the FEMA reimbursement. The district is in the final stages with Cal OES of receiving the approved funds.

B. Lease, Building, Education and Outreach Committee

Ms. Rienks reported the committee met on July 8, 2024. Ms. Rienks provided an update on the Website redesign. The vendor has been selected, with a targeted date of August for go live.

Ms. Rienks also provided an update on seminar topics for 2024 which include; End of Life Planning and Advanced Directives in August, Hypertension Seminar in September and Careers in Medicine for local high school students in November. The Men's and Women's Health Seminar date to be determined.

Ms. Rienks also provided updates for upcoming Pop-Up's.

- August 17, 2024 Canal District Event
- November 2, 2024 Marin City Event with the City Health and Wellness Center
- September 28, 2024 Community Workers Day

7. Reports

A. Hospital and District CEO's Report

Dr. Klein reported that the 2025 budget planning for the hospital and the district has kicked off.

Dr. Klein reported physician recruitment. Recruitment of a cardiac surgeon is progressing well. Recruitment efforts for three orthopedic specialists: joint surgeon, foot and ankle surgeon and orthopedic trauma surgeon are ongoing. Primary care recruitment is continuous with several promising candidates in the pipeline.

Dr. Klein shared the Transitional Care Clinic has opened. The clinic is staffed by APPs (advanced professional providers). The clinic provides care for patients discharged from the hospital, emergency room and those unable to get immediate appointments with primary care physicians.

Dr. Klein reported a change in leadership of the hospitalist group to Vituity, effective in September.



Dr. Klein reported updates to the Change Healthcare ransom attack. Billing issues related to the ransom attack have been resolved and new processes are in place including backup plans in the event of a similar attack where to happen again.

Dr. Klein shared the hospital is currently looking at an alternative energy option to save costs and reduce the hospital's carbon footprint. Details will be presented at the August board meeting.

The bylaw review is completed with minor updates. The revised bylaws will be presented at the August board meeting.

Dr. Klein reported the electric board management system Boardvantage will be rolled out in the coming weeks. Go live for Boardvantage will be in August.

Dr. Klein reported the HCAPS quarterly scores show improvements in all composite measures.

Dr. Klein provided an update on the Chief Information Officer recruitment process. Recruitment is in the final stages of interviewing candidates for the position.

The AI enhanced security system and patient management systems have been finalized. Operational details are in the planning stages.

Dr. Klein provided updates to current construction projects:

- The Nuclear Medicine Spec/CT camera is on target for August 6, 2024 completion.
- Novato Imaging center is set to open July 30, 2024.
- Petaluma Medical hub is on track for December Opening.
- Administrative and support offices will be moving to Novato and Terra Linda.
- MRI replacement at the Imaging Center on S. Eliseo planned for January 2025.
- The Cedar and Redwood Pavilion's will be getting new carpet, fresh paint and interior design updates.
- Exterior landscaping will be completed in the coming months.

B. Chair's and Board Members' Reports.

Ms. Rienks reported on the "Friendship Line" based out of San Francisco. The "Friendship Line" is a support line for people to call and connect with someone to talk to. These are trained volunteers who provide a listening ear and companionship to callers. Ms. Rienks is will be looking into this in more detail.

Dr. Alfrey reported that Dr. Maa led an article related to e-bikes that will be coming out in the American College of Surgeons Bulletin.



8. Agenda Suggestions for Future Meetings

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Ms. Sparkman also asked the Commission on Aging speak on the grand jury report on the silver tsunami.

9. Adjournment of Regular Meeting

Chair Alfrey adjourned the meeting at 6:33 pm.