SOUTHERN INYO HEALTHCARE DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Minutes

Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2020 Time: 4:30 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19 state of emergency, the Board of Directors will conduct this meeting via video and tele-conference. A physical location will not be available to the public. You may participate in the meeting by using the call in number specified in this Notice of Meeting. If you wish to speak to an item on the agenda, please inform the Board Chair when she asks for public comment. The Board's normal rules for public comment apply: speakers are limited to 3 minutes per item. You may also email comments to mperkins@sihd.org prior to the start of the meeting, and your comment(s) will be distributed to the directors at the meeting.

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PRESENT (via phone)

Jaque Hickman, President Charles Carson, Vice President Bruce Branson, Treasurer Mark Lacey, Director

ABSENT

Carma Roper, Secretary

OTHERS

Peter Spiers, CEO
Michael Floyd, CNO
Chester Beedle, Financial Consultant
Maritza Perkins, Executive Assistant
Scott Nave, Legal Counsel
Dr. Ron Ostrom, Med Staff
April Hodge, Radiology Manager
Fred Hawkins, Ridgecrest Regional

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

A request to add an emergency item after agenda was posted.

Temporary 90 days Medical Staff privileges for Alex Allwein, MD. It was brought to administration attention that medical staff privileges were needed for Alex Allwein. Dr. Allwein is due to start on December 3, 2020.

ACTION: Treasurer Branson moved to approve the amended agenda (add of item-Temporary 90 day Medical Staff Privileges for Alex Allwein, MD) Vice President Carson seconded. All approved.

Roll Call-

Bruce Branson "AYE"
Mark Lacey "AYE"
Charles Carson "AYE"
Jaque Hickman "AYE"

II. <u>BUSINESS ITEMS</u>

A. Consent Agenda: These items are considered routine and non-controversial and will be approved by one motion. If a member of the Board or public wishes to discuss an item, it will removed from Consent and considered separately at the end of Business Items.

- 1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Board Minutes 10/13/2020

ACTION: Treasurer Branson moved to approve the consent agenda (Regular board minutes from 10/13/2020). Vice President Carson seconded. All approved.

Roll Call-

Charles Carson "AYE"
Bruce Branson "AYE"
Mark Lacey "AYE"
Jaque Hickman "AYE"

B. GE Healthcare Optima 200amx Portable System Quote (Director of Radiology)

Scott Nave stated that if the board is statisfied with the price and is willing to let April Hodge, Peter Spiers and Chet Beedle review the legal terms that is an option the board has.

President Hickman wanted to know if this is a cash payment, have terms been worked out, are terms possible? April Hodge stated that we can choose an option (Ex: 80/20) and we can change the option up to the day of shipment. There is a 1 year warranty.

It is time to upgrade radiology. The board feels comfortable with Scott Nave, April Hodge, Peter Spiers and Chet Beedle review the legal terms. Peter Spiers can be the designated signer.

ACTION: Treasurer Branson moved to approve the purchase of the GE Healthcare Optima 200 amx portable system. The terms will need to be worked out between Scott Nave, April Hodge, Chet Beedle and Peter Spiers. Peter Spiers will be the designated signer.

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President Vice P

Charles Carson Vice President Carma Roper Secretary Bruce Branson Treasurer

Roll call-

Bruce Branson "AYE"
Mark Lacey "AYE"
Charles Carson "AYE"
Jaque Hickman "AYE"

C. GE Healthcare Service Contract Addendum Quote (Director of Radiology)

April Hodge stated that this is a service contract to cover the flash pad that will go with the new equipment. This service contract is yearly. The presented quote has the date of July 2020. April Hodge will get with GE to update the date.

ACTION: Treasurer Branson moved to approve the GE Healthcare Service contract addendum quote with the updated date on both line items. Vice President Carson seconded. All approved.

Roll call-

Bruce Branson "AYE"
Charles Carson "AYE"
Mark Lacey "AYE"
Jaque Hickman "AYE"

D. Forefront Professional Services Agreement (CNO)

This is for the skilled nursing telepsych.

Michael Floyd, CNO stated that many residents need the psychotropic medications. Part of UC Davis' services is to review the medications on a monthly bases, they will interview the residents and check if there are any side effects from the medications. UC Davis is also required by regulations to try and decrease the medications. Family with power of attorney do have say on the services and evaluations.

This is a drug regimen review that is required to keep the facility license. This is a complete mental health services that is provided to all residents. Not just the residents on medication.

ACTION: Vice President Carson moved to approve the Forefront Professional services agreement. Treasurer Branson seconded. All approved.

Roll call-

Charles Carson "AYE"
Mark Lacey "AYE"
Bruce Branson "AYE"
Jaque Hickman "AYE"

E. UC Davis Telemedicine Agreements (CEO/CNO)

Peter Spiers provided a brief background. SIHD has been working with UC Davis for about 9 months to process and identify what types of telemedicine they can provide.

The key services is the wound care. Michael Floyd stated that they have been able to work with UC Davis over the last couple of months. Dr. Humphries has been excellent on showing SIHD

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how the telemedicine will work and what functions we need to get in place to make the program work good.

Currently we have equipment set up for the wound care. UC Davis provided the wound care unit. SIHD will need equipment for the rural health clinic. SIHD will be using an iPad for the meetings.

To get residents to appointments takes a lot of effort and hard work so having the telemedicine will make things a lot easier. The clinic has referrals and the telemedicine will help with the clinic patients by not having to go out of the area for appointments.

It is important that a reminder call is made to the patients about their appointments.

ACTION: Treasurer Branson moved to approve the UC Davis Telemedicine agreements. Vice President Carson seconded. All approved.

Roll call-

Bruce Branson "AYE"
Charles Carson "AYE"
Mark Lacey "AYE"
Jaque Hickman "AYE"

F. Alex Allwein, MD, ER Physician, 90 day Temporary Medical Staff Privileges

This is an emergency added item approved by the Board of Directors.

ACTION: Treasurer Branson moved to approve the 90 day temporary medical staff privileges for Alex Allwein, MD. Vice President Carson seconded. All approved.

Roll call-

Bruce Branson "AYE"
Charles Carson "AYE"
Mark Lacey "AYE"
Jaque Hickman "AYE"

III. REPORTS

A. Financial Report

Chet Beedle, Financial Consultant reviewed the October 2020 financials. (Financial reports are provided at the end of these minutes.)

B. CEO Report

Peter Spiers would like to give thanks to the Board of Directors and the SIHD family who have supported and helped him. Peter will be working remotely for the next couple weeks. He reported he is getting better and doing well.

Michael Floyd reported that when Covid was through the skilled nursing facility SIHD wasn't able to admit any acute patients. SIHD is glad to announce that we are able to start admitting now. We are getting our first acute patient in over a month. Currently, SIHD has 29 residents. The ER has been down in numbers due to the time of year. December numbers should be up.

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Bruce Branson Treasurer Mark Lacey Director SIHD has several doctors on board to be hospitalist at SIHD. We are excited to continue with what Dr. Flanigan had started.

A special thank you to Dr. Ron Ostrom from Peter Spiers. Dr. Ostrom is helping with the growth of the facility and to generate revenue. The Board of Directors also gave thanks.

SIHD is working with Toiyabe, NIH and Mammoth Hospital with a Cancer Care program. SIHD is looking to get help so we can get our infusion program running (to provide cancer treatment here at SIHD). Currently, SIHD can do all infusions except chemo infusions. SIHD will need a set program.

SIHD now has 3 rapid Covid testing analyzers.

C. Employee of the Month- November

The November Employee of the month goes to Bernadette Crowl, Lab.

The Board of Directors thanked Bernadette Crowl and other staff members.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

NONE

V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Vice President Carson gave thanks to the staff. Thanks to the board and the public for supporting SIHD. Well wishes to Peter Spiers.

Director Lacey gave thanks for the reports and all the hard work. The external face of the hospital looks great. Well wishes to Peter Spiers.

VI. CLOSED SESSION

A. Existing Litigation (Govt Code 54956.9): Chapter 9 Bankruptcy

VII. <u>CLOSED SESSION REPORT</u>

In closed session the board discussed the chapter 9 bankruptcy. No action was taken.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Board Secretary or President

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