



**Board of Commissioners  
Work Session Minutes  
April 4, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Olympic Medical Center was called to order at 12:30 pm by Board President John Beitzel in Linkletter Hall, and was opened with the pledge of allegiance. Also in attendance were Commissioners Thom Hightower, Jean Hordyk, Jim Leskinovitch, John Miles, MD, John Nutter, and Tom Oblak; CNO/COO Lorraine Wall, RN; CFO Darryl Wolfe; CHRO/General Counsel Jennifer Burkhardt; Jeff Anderson, Marketing Manager; staff; public participants and Executive Assistant Gay Lynn Iseri. Excused were CMO/Safety Officer Scott Kennedy, MD; OMP Chief Physician Officer Joshua Jones, MD, and Administrative Director Risk Management Donna Davison.

**Dungeness Valley Health and Wellness (DVHWC) Presentation**

Mr. Ralph Elston, Board President of the DVHWC, spoke about the evolution of the free clinic in Sequim that opened in 2001 to provide a safety net for under insured or uninsured patients. He thanked OMC for the continued financial support, and Commissioner John Beitzel for his work over the years. Mr. Elston then announced the recipient of the 2018 Beitzel Award was CEO Eric Lewis. The Beitzel Award had been established within the clinic to recognize high levels of leadership and innovation. Mr. Lewis served on the board of the DVHWC for nine years during a critical time and established trust among the board members, provided leadership and presence, emotional intelligence, and set a high level of healthcare standards.

**Employee Recognition – Lorraine Wall, RN, Chief Nursing Officer/Hospital COO and Jennifer Burkhardt, Chief Human Resource Officer/General Counsel**

The following employees were recognized for going above and beyond in roles on the Med/Surg Unit at Olympic Memorial Hospital:

- Alicia Forderer, RN
- Valerie Oldemeyer, RN
- Ginger Samples, RN
- Ruth Barclay, RN
- Sergio Contreras, CNA
- Eriko Inage Goldstein, CNA

In addition, the following employees were recognized for their participation in a recent trip to Olympia to advocate for the passage of a budget proviso for Peninsula College to increase the capacity of their healthcare related programs. Participation by these union employees was

critical in the communication of importance to legislators. The changes include increasing the program capacity from 24 to 32 registered nurses, 20 to 40 medical assistants, and 40 to 80 nursing assistants per year, for a total of 68 more students trained per year at Peninsula College.

- Laurie Elmer, RN
- Jeana Hutton, RN
- Patty Wood
- Nancy Dahll

Another budget proviso was to increase Medicaid reimbursement. As OMC is paid 60% of cost, and lost \$2.5 million in 2017, an increased reimbursement to 75% of cost was requested. This was granted for one year which would mean approximately \$1.9 million for OMC. It was also noted that Grays Harbor Community Hospital would benefit from this budget proviso.

#### **Smart Pump Purchase – Lorraine Wall, RN, Chief Nursing Officer/Hospital COO**

The selection process and criteria were presented for the budgeted smart pump purchase. The task force reviewed four main vendors. Alaris became the best choice for a number of reasons. They offered savings and additional rebates, over the five year agreement. Users tested the equipment and provided positive feedback. One issue noted was the lack of auto titration option like current pumps used at OMC. It was later determined to be a safety issue, so staff could be monitoring the patient instead of the auto titration. Pricing options are now being negotiated and discussion will occur at the next Board Audit, Budget and Compliance meeting. Commissioner Jim Leskinovitch participated on the task force and noted the Alaris equipment was by far the best, and so far advanced than others. Aramark can service the equipment after the first year. The timeframe for implementation will be in May and June. See attached for more detail.

#### **Olympic Medical Physicians Update – Eric Lewis, Chief Executive Officer**

The standard OMP employment agreement was presented for Sandra Relyea, PA-C, for work at the pediatric clinic at a .89 FTE position. The agreement included a \$10,000 signing bonus, up to \$5,000 moving stipend and a two year forgiveness period for both incentives. This would be the third physician assistant at the clinic, and one pediatrician is still being recruited.

**MOTION:** To approve the OMP Employment Agreement for advanced practice clinician services at the Children’s Clinic for Sandra Relyea, PA-C, for the annual salary of ONE HUNDRED THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$103,334) as presented. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

**National Rural Hospital Association (NRHA) Top 20 Rural Community Hospital Recognition – Eric Lewis, Chief Executive Officer**

For the second consecutive year, the National Rural Hospital Association (NRHA) named Olympic Medical Center in the top 20 rural sole community hospitals. OMC was chosen as one of the top 100 hospitals in February, and of that list the top 20 rural hospitals were chosen. This award shows the good work of OMC's employees and medical staff. OMC scored in the good to excellent range in all eight indicators of strength: inpatient market share, outpatient market share, quality, outcomes, patient perspectives, costs, charges and financial stability.

**Sequim Board Meeting Proposal – John Beitzel, Board President**

To consider a permanent arrangement for scheduling purposes, the following motion was entertained to hold two board meetings annually in Sequim.

**MOTION:** To approve having two Board meetings annually in the Sequim Medical Services building on the first Wednesday in April and October starting in October of 2018.

**Discussion:** At Large Commissioner Jim Leskinovitch raised the question of also holding board meetings in Joyce. Consideration will be discussed at a later time. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**2018 Board Goals**

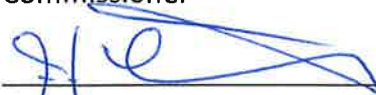
Three goals were reviewed at a recent board retreat, and two more have been added. This topic was tabled for further review until the next meeting when possible action will be taken to approve them.

There being no further business the meeting was finally adjourned at 1:31 pm.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 18th day of April, 2018.

**ATTEST:**

  
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