A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Washington Township Health Care District was held on Wednesday, August 10, 2022 via Zoom. Director Yee called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led those in attendance of the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll call was taken: Directors present: Jeannie Yee; Bernard Stewart, DDS; Michael Wallace; Jacob Eapen, MD; William Nicholson, MD

ROLL CALL

Also present: Kimberly Hartz, Chief Executive Officer; Dee Antonio, District Clerk

Guests: Chris Henry, Tina Nunez, Larry LaBossiere, Paul Kozachenko, Dr. Carmen Agcaoili, Mary Bowron, Brenda Brennan, Christy Casey, Walter Choto, Angus Cochran, Debbie Feary, Kristin Ferguson, Gulnaaz Hanif, Dr. Shakir Hyder, Kel Kanady, Nick Legge, Lauren Lucas, Maria Nunes, Joanne Pineda, Donald Pipkin, Dr. John Romano, Dr. Jack Rose, John Zubiena, and Sri Boddu.

Director Yee welcomed any members of the general public to the meeting. She noted that in order to continue to protect the health and safety of the members of the Board, District staff, and members of the public from the dangers posed by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, the Brown Act allows a local agency to continue to hold its meetings remotely as opposed to being required to meet in-person. Section 54953(e)(3) of the Government Code requires that the Board make certain findings every 30 days to continue meeting remotely. One such finding is that "state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing." The Alameda County Health Officer continues to recommend social distancing and the wearing of masks indoors, as referenced by the Alameda County Health Care Services Public Health Department COVID-19 website at www.covid-19.acgov.org.

**OPENING REMARKS** 

In accordance with District law, policies, and procedures, Director Stewart moved that the Board of Directors make the finding required by Section 54953(e)(3)(B)(ii) of the Government Code that "state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing." Director Nicholson seconded the motion.

Roll call was taken:

Jeannie Yee – aye Bernard Stewart, DDS – aye Michael Wallace – aye Jacob Eapen, MD – aye William Nicholson, MD – aye

The motion unanimously carried and the finding is affirmed.

Director Yee noted that Public Notice for this meeting, including connection information, was posted appropriately on our website. This meeting, conducted via Zoom, is being recorded for broadcast at a later date.

There were no Oral communications.

COMMUNICATIONS: ORAL

There were no Written communications.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** WRITTEN

Director Yee presented the Consent Calendar for consideration:

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meetings of the District Board: July 13, July 18, July 25, and July 27, 2022
- B. TIMS 2000 SP Mobile Cart Package for Speech Pathology Department

Director Stewart moved that the Board of Directors approve the Consent Calendar, items A and B. Director Nicholson seconded the motion.

Roll call was taken:

Jeannie Yee – aye Bernard Stewart, DDS – aye Michael Wallace - ave Jacob Eapen, MD – aye William Nicholson, MD – aye

The motion unanimously carried.

Kimberly Hartz, Chief Executive Officer, introduced Joanne Pineda, Quality Improvement Manager with the American Heart Association. Ms. Pineda presented Washington Hospital with two awards: the Get With The Guidelines Stroke GOLD PLUS with Target: Stroke Honor Roll Elite and Target: Type 2 Diabetes honor Roll; and the Mission Lifeline – STEMI Receiving Center SILVER Quality Achievement Award. She noted that Washington Hospital's achievement would be included in the US News & World Report Best Hospitals, Get With The Guideline Achievement Awards Digital Ad. Congratulation, Washington Hospital.

PRESENTATION: AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION STROKE and STEMI AWARDS -**GET WITH THE GUIDELINES** 

Dr. Shakir Hyder, Chief of Staff, reported there are 579 Medical Staff members including 339 active members. He talked about the declining COVID census and noted that the current COVID policies would be modified in the future. He spoke on the formation of the new Medical Staff Committee: Leadership Development Committee. He spoke briefly on Monkeypox testing.

**MEDICAL STAFF** REPORT

Debbie Feary, Service League President, reported that the Service League volunteers contributed 1,765 hours to the hospital in month of July and 16,219 hours for the fiscal year ending June 30<sup>th</sup>.

SERVICE LEAGUE REPORT

Kimberly Hartz introduced Gulnaaz Hanif, Infection Prevention Program Manager who presented the Lean initiative for Infection Prevention and its impact on healthcare associated infections. This initiative is centered on reducing urinary tract infections associated with indwelling urinary catheters, otherwise known as Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infections (CAUTI).

LEAN REPORT: WHHS INFECTION **PREVENTION** 

Ms. Hanif reviewed Division Goals and Key Drivers, the Plan and Obstacles, and the current projects that are in place to implement improvements. The Aim is Zero Harm. She reviewed the Trends and Intervention Timeline which showed

improvement from FY 2021 through FY 2022 including a decrease in baseline CAUTI infection ratio from 22 to 7.

Mary Bowron, Chief of Quality and Resource Management presented the Quality Dashboard for the quarter ending June 30, 2022 comparing WHHS statistics to State and National benchmarks. We had zero MRSA Bloodstream Infections this past quarter. We had one Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infection, which was below the predicted number of infections (1.082). We had one Central Line Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI), which was lower than predicted. We had zero infections following colon surgery and zero infections following abdominal hysterectomy. C-Difficile: We had two hospital-wide C. diff infections. Hand Hygiene was at 88%. On analysis, we met four out of the seven Hospital Acquired Infection goals for FY 2022.

**QUALITY REPORT: OUARTERLY** DASHBOARD OUARTER ENDING JUNE 2022

Our moderate fall with injury rate of 0.39 was lower than the national rate for the quarter at 0.62. Hospital Acquired Pressure Ulcer rate of 1.15% was lower than the national rate this past quarter. For FY 2022 we met two out of the two Nurse Sensitive goals that we had.

Our 30-day readmission rate for AMI discharges was higher that the CMS benchmark (20% versus 15.8%). We had a lower percent of 30-day Medicare pneumonia readmissions compared to the CMS national benchmark (14.1% versus 16.7%). 30-day Medicare Heart Failure readmissions were higher 24.7% versus 21.9%) than the CMS benchmark. Our 30-day Medicare Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) readmission rate was higher than the CMS benchmark (27.8% versus 19.7%). Our 30-day Medicare CABG readmission rate was lower (10.5% versus 12.6%) than the CMS benchmark. Our 30-day Medicare Total Hip Arthroplasty (THA) and/or Total Knee Arthroplasty (TKA) was lower than the CMS benchmark (0% versus 4.0%). For FY 2022, we met two out of the six Readmission goals.

FINANCE REPORT

Chris Henry, Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, presented the Finance Report for June 2022. The average daily inpatient census was 154.4 with admissions of 809 resulting in 4,633 patient days. Outpatient observation equivalent days were 291. The average length of stay was 6.00 days. The case mix index was 1.598. Deliveries were 119. Surgical cases were 361. The Outpatient visits were 7,556. Emergency visits were 4,735. Cath Lab cases were 188. Joint Replacement cases were 161. Neurosurgical cases were 26. Cardiac Surgical cases were 4. Total FTEs were 1,592.1. FTEs per adjusted occupied bed were 5.88.

Kimberly Hartz, Chief Executive Officer, presented the Hospital Operations Report for July 2022. Preliminary information for the month indicated total gross revenue at approximately \$189,786,000 against a budget of \$186,978,000. We had 116 COVID-19 discharges which represented 14% of total discharges.

**HOSPITAL OPERATIONS REPORT** 

The Average Length of Stay was 5.49. The Average Daily Inpatient Census was 160.1. There were 10 discharges with lengths of stay greater than 30 days, ranging from 34 to 64. Still in house at the end of July were ten patients with length of stays of over 30 days and counting (highest at 299).

There were 4,963 patient days. There were 341 Surgical Cases and 180 Cath Lab cases at the Hospital. The Medicare accreditation survey for Peninsula Surgery Center was completed on April 28, 2022. However, we are still waiting for our Medicare certification number which is required to bill Medicare, contract with commercial insurance companies, and credential medical staff with insurance companies.

Deliveries were 138. Non-Emergency Outpatient visits were 7,299. Emergency Room visits were 4,799. Total Government Sponsored Preliminary Payor Mix was 74.1%, against the budget of 71.4%. Total FTEs per Adjusted Occupied Bed were 6.18. The Washington Outpatient Surgery Center had 441 cases and the clinics had approximately 17,017 visits.

Kimberly Hartz made the following announcements:

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

- As of Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, a total of 91,516 COVID vaccine doses have been administered to community members at our vaccination clinic. Total number of people who have a received a COVID vaccine is 43,150.
- As of Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, a total of 3,766 vaccinations have been administered to the 5-11 year old age group and 208 vaccinations have been administered to the 6-month to 4 year old age group.
- Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>: Bone and Joint Health
- Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>: Concussion Safety
- Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>: Beach and Water Safety
- Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>: Breast Cancer Screenings When and Why
- Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>: Community Forum on Anti-Asian Hate.
- Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>: Tattoo Removal Clinic
- Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>: Open House and Ribbon Cutting at Peninsula Surgery Center
- August 3<sup>rd</sup> and August 4<sup>th</sup>: Sports Physicals at Irvington High School and Newark Memorial High School
- Scheduled for Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>: Ohana Health Fair sponsored by Bay Area Community Health at Newark Community Center
- Scheduled for Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>: Sun Beauty or Beast?
- Scheduled for Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>: Wellness and Health Fair hosted by Annual Festival of India celebration in Fremont
- Scheduled for Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>: Veggies on the Grill Make Room for Summer Produce
- Scheduled for Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>: Fall Prevention and Recovery
- Scheduled for Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup>: Free Skin Cancer Screening Program at Nakamura Clinic in Union City

- Scheduled for Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>: Rotator Cuff Repair Advances in Treatment Options
- Scheduled for Wednesday, August 31st: Stroke Awareness program
- Scheduled for Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>: Don't Let Hip Pain Win Updates in Hip Replacements
- The Foundation will host the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Top Hat Gala Saturday, October 8th
- August Employee of the Month: Raymond Tam, Physical Therapy Aide

There being no further business, Director Yee adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Jeannie Yee

President

Docusigned by:
William McLolson

William Nicholson, M.D.

Secretary