

## **BOARD OF HOSPITAL COMMISSIONERS**

**April 22, 2025**

Those in attendance were Hospital Commissioners Don Welander (Virtual), Darrin Moody and Lori Brady. Also present were Eric Moll, Mason Health CEO; Steve Leslie, Mason Health CFO, Melissa Strong, Mason Health CNO; Winfried Danke, Mason Health COO; Robert Johnson, Legal Counsel, and Shelly Dunnington, Senior Executive Assistant.

Others in attendance: Eric Volk, Dang Ta and David Imus from WIPFLI, Ruth Vierela and Jon Hornburg from Mason Health

Don Welander called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 8:01 a.m.

### **Agenda Review and Minutes:**

The agenda and minutes were approved as presented.

**It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve April 8, 2025; minutes as presented.**

### **Commissioners' Committee Report & Calendar**

Darrin Moody attended BOHC on April 8, 2025, Presented to the Democratic on April 16, 2025, Foundation Donor Event on April 17, 2025, and meeting w/Eric 1:1 on April 21, 2025.

Don Welander attended BOHC on April 8, 2025, Finance Committee on April 16, 2025, Foundation Donor Appreciation Event on April 17, 2025, and met Eric Moll 1:1 on April 21, 2025.

Lori Brady attended BOHC April 8, 2025, QIC Meeting on April 15, 2025, and met w/ Eric Moll 1:1 on April 21, 2025.

### **Public Comments: None**

### **Consent Agenda:**

**It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve April 22, 2025; the consent agenda as presented.**

**Legal Counsel - Rob** Johnson reported that he continues to work with Mason Health on immigration matters, specifically related to employee documentation and compliance.

**CEO's Report –** Eric Moll shared an update on the overall status of hospitals in Washington State. He emphasized the importance of identifying cost-saving measures while also exploring opportunities to expand services that support positive net revenue, especially given the current demand and capacity.

### **Monthly Reports –**

Financials – March – Steve Leslie presented the March financial report. A decline in patient volume resulted in lower gross revenue for the month. Personnel costs exceeded budget projections. Year-to-date operating income stands at a negative 1.6%. Steve also provided an update on the Revenue Cycle Transformation initiative.

### **Old Business – None**

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## New Business –

- a. Audit Presentation – WIPFLI – Eric Volke presented the annual audit for the year ending December 31, 2024. He recognized Steve Leslie and her team for their outstanding work. Special acknowledgment was given to Ruth Vierela, who completed her final audit before retirement, with appreciation for her years of dedicated service.
- b. Resolution 2025 – 04 Surplus -  
**It was moved, seconded and voted to approve Resolution 2025 – 04 declaring items as surplus.**

## Administration Roundtable

Mel Strong recognized the HR team for their exceptional efforts in recruitment.

Mel Strong shared that Beau Bakken reported that Mobile Integrity Health has officially launched and is already seeing a high volume of referrals, describing the initial collaboration with Mason Health as “phenomenal.”

Mel Strong announced the beginning of negotiations with Surgical Technologists.

Darrin Moody inquired about the contract with Olympic Ambulance. Mel responded that while the contract is generally functioning well, there are still some challenges, particularly in coordination with long-term care facilities.

Winfried Danke stated that referral management remains stable, currently averaging a two-business-day turnaround without reliance on contract staff.

Plans are underway to expand cardiology services to four or five days per week.

Mason Health is exploring opportunities to enhance access to Primary Care, including expanded hours at the Walk-In Clinic.

Winfried Danke shared that he has successfully passed his ACHE certification exam.

Darrin Moody and Eric Moll provided an update on the construction project, including a status report on current delays.

Adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

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OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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