



Klickitat Valley HEALTH

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 OF KLICKITAT COUNTY**
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 23, 2025
Zoom Meeting ID #848 7561 7309

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Klickitat Valley Health (KVH) Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room A/B as well as via Zoom Conference Call. Commissioner Hoctor, President of the Board of Commissioners, was the presiding officer, also in attendance were Commissioners Mosbrucker, Rogers, Sigfrinius and Pakenen (via Zoom).

Also present were: Lori Groves, CFO; Jonathan Hatfield, CEO; Brenda Edin, Community Outreach; Brenda Edin, Interim Director of HR, Community Outreach and Marketing; Leanne Campos, HR Sr Generalist; Jim Semlor, Marketing; Erin Wooley, CCO; Dr. MacGillivray, Chief of Staff; Jamie Slater, Controller; Jonathan Lewis, Director of Environmental Services and Barbara Bostick, Recorder.

CALL TO ORDER, APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Board President Hoctor called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Commissioner Mosbrucker made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Pakenen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hoctor inquired from each Board member if they had any conflict of interest with any item on the agenda. All commissioners replied they did not have any conflict of interest.

Rural Hospital Sustainability Program Introduction. Nicole Clement, Program Specialist and Tom Schumacher, Program Director provided a brief PowerPoint presentation regarding the Rural Hospital Sustainability Program and what the grant that we have been chosen to receive will provide to KVH. Please see copy of PowerPoint included in the Board Record book.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Sigfrinius made a motion to approve the June 2025 Consent Agenda as presented, including: Regular Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2025; as well as AP in the amount of \$ 52,834.05; Paymerang Payroll Warrants in the amount of \$ 1,068,718.06; and Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$2,289,299.40; and Bond Payments in the amount of \$3,890.00 and Bad Debt in the amount of \$ 21,485.80 and Charity Care in the amount of \$76,541.39. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rogers. The motion carried.

Special Presentation/Board Education

The Board reviewed their recent trip to the WSHA Leadership Retreat at Chelan. Some of the takeaways that were shared include:

Commissioner Rogers noted that she felt that it was an excellent program. She noted that as a Board she doesn't feel the Commissioners are as involved in setting the direction of the hospital as they could be and that they become involved more after the fact. She noted that she felt that perhaps it could be more of a joint process. She also noted that the Quality piece of the program was really good. She expressed that she felt 5-7 bullet points to track specific areas of interest would be more beneficial than all of the information that is currently provided, i.e. Press Ganey, etc. and that the financial summary that is provided in the Finance Report is the most beneficial that there might be a way to streamline and have it be more beneficial for the commissioners to be able to track from month to month. She also inquired about Board Policies and Procedures. She noted that she would like to see new Board member education to continue streamlining. She would also like to see workplace violence/safety report to trend over time. Jonathan Hatfield noted that maybe a separate block of time/special meeting could be done quarterly or a couple of times a year to work on the Strategic Plan instead of trying to fit it into a regular board meeting. Karrie West noted that she is open to streamlining Press Ganey information. Jonathan Hatfield added that the Commissioner attending the Committee meetings can help to decide what should be shared in the Board meeting packet/reports.

Commissioner Mosbrucker noted that he got a lot of good out of networking. He agreed that he feels fairly lost. He noted that he needs more information and is willing to take the time to read it.

Commissioner Hctor reported that he felt it was a good session. He commented that the key speaker from Key Bank seemed to be selling her services. He noted that the Prosser hospital was able to fund building their new hospital through grants and loan funding without having to go out to the public to pay for it. He added that if you do everything, you don't have time to do anything. He noted that what he got out of the session regarding the Board's role in succession planning is that there should be a backup in mind for the CEO. He noted that there was also discussion about appointing a new Board member during a term to replace an outgoing or resigning commissioner rather than waiting until the next election period.

Commissioner Pakenen noted that the Member Advocacy and Action session was about telling the community what we do, the employment we provide. Make sure that the community knows we are an economic engine for the community. Get the bigger picture of our impact out to the Public. She noted that our Board doesn't do workshops and she would be interested in doing that. She noted that the Quality session speaker noted that two of their Board members went to the Heads of Departments to check in and they talked with all levels of staff to learn more about all of the positions so that they could be more supportive of all of the employees. She added that one suggestion in the governance session was about using a dashboards to summarize information instead of numbers and maybe make reports smaller by providing details on the outliers and dashboards for the rest. She added that she does have questions regarding AI – How do we use it currently and how will it be used in the future. She noted that she doesn't expect an answer to that immediately, it is just something she is thinking about.

Commissioner Sigfrinius noted that the speaker on positive intelligence/mental fitness spoke too quickly. She was trying to fit in too much information in a short period of time. He was disappointed overall with the session options that were available. He noted that it would be a good idea to work with WSHA to improve selections and he also noted that some of the information that was provided was old, and some is just unknown currently. Jonathan Hatfield noted that if there are ideas to share with WSHA to help make a more meaningful experience next year we can do that.

Jonathan noted that workshops can be scheduled quarterly and Board rounding could be done as well. Brenda Edin suggested that all Board members should take a tour of the patient rooms and she added that they should also spend time in the KVH Kafe to talk with employees as that is a good opportunity to meet with them in an informal setting.

Medical Staff Update

Dr. MacGillivray gave a brief overview of the July Medical Staff meeting. She noted that she did not have any additional information to provide, but was happy to answer questions. The Board had no questions.

Resolution 2025-08 Surplus Property .

Following discussion and review of the items being surplussed, Commissioner Rogers made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-08. Commissioner Mosbrucker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Quarterly Strategic Plan

Jonathan Hatfield provided Strategic Initiative Briefs regarding Development of a robust Medical Staff Plan to ensure the recruitment, retention, and well-being of a thriving medical team that meets the evolving needs of patients and the organization, as well as proactively identifying, secure, and fully utilize grants to strengthen service lines, support our mission, and contribute to the long-term growth and sustainability of the organization. Jonathan Lewis provided a Strategic Initiative Brief regarding Capital Projects and Erin Wooley provided a Strategic Initiative Brief regarding Building an Outpatient Respiratory Therapy Service Line. Please see copies of their Strategic Initiative Briefs included in the Board record book.

EV Charging Stations

Jonathan Lewis advised the Board that he is requesting approval from the Board to include 10 EV Charging Stations in the solar carport contract with Ameresco that was approved at last month's Board meeting. He noted that it was inadvertently forgotten to include it at that time. He reminded the Board that KVH was awarded a \$100,000 grant from the WA Dept. of Ecology for the 10 EV Charging Stations and they are fully funded for the installation and equipment. Commissioner Sigfrinius made a motion to include the 10 EV Charging Stations in the solar carport contract with Ameresco that was approved at the June 18, 2025 Board Meeting. . Commissioner Mosbrucker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Malpractice Insurance Renewal

Lori Groves, CFO reviewed the 2025 premium amount of \$159,644 and noted that the 2026 increased amount is \$162,766. She explained that the increase is due to increased exposures and increased FTE. The coverage details are included in the Board packet. Following discussion, Commissioner Rogers made a motion to authorize Jonathan Hatfield, CEO to execute and bind coverage with Physicians Insurance for Malpractice Insurance renewal. Commissioner Pakenen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Resolution 2025-09 Establishing a Self-Insured Health Care Benefit Program

Lori Groves, CFO advised that this will be postponed until the August meeting as she is still awaiting approval from the State.

.ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Written reports were presented from Jonathan Hatfield, CEO; Lori Groves, CFO; Jonathan Lewis, Director of Environmental Services and Safety Officer and Linda Compton, Out Patient Clinic Director; Erin Wooley, CCO; Brenda Edin, Interim Director of HR, Community and Marketing; and Karrie West Director of Quality and Risk and Compliance Officer. Commissioner Sigfrinius made a motion to accept the reports as presented Commissioner Rogers seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS OPEN DISCUSSION

There was no additional discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION


President Hoctor stated that the Board would be going into Executive Session at 5:11 p.m. for approximately 5 minutes for the purpose of medical staff credentialing review allowable per RCW 70.44 and would return to open public session at 5:16 p.m.

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board returned to open public session at 5:16 p.m. Upon returning to open public session, Commissioner Pakenen made a motion to acknowledge temporary privileges granted to Chat Carr, MD and to approve Initial Appointments of the following providers: Trey Rigert, MD (Surgery Clinic Pain Management); Daniel Toweill, MD (Lab Director); and Mohammad Khouzani, DDS (Family Medicine), as well as approval of Re-Appointments of the following providers: James Wickerath, MD (Emergency Department); Kayla Elliott, PA-C (Family Medicine); Johannah Gregg, DNP (Family Medicine); and Samuel Donohoe, MD (Hospitalist) and approval of delegated credentialing re-appointments of the following Virtual Radiologic Telemedicine Physicians: Michael Harding, DO (Teleradiology only); Alan Pratt, MD (Teleradiology only); Eugene Tong, MD (Teleradiology only); Jeffrey Zorn, MD (Teleradiology only); Fozail Alvi, MD (Teleradiology only); Lawrence Briggs, MD (Teleradiology only); Benjamin Bak, MD (Teleradiology only); Blake Poleynard, MD (Teleradiology only); Lawrence Kaler, MD (Teleradiology only); Deborah Conway, MD (Teleradiology only); Vincent Nguyen, MD (Teleradiology only); Jennifer Gutierrez, MD (Teleradiology only); Jay Donohoo MD (Teleradiology only); Claudia Zacharias, MD (Teleradiology only); Karen Caldemeyer, MD (Teleradiology only); Nicholas Dickson, DO (Teleradiology only); Aspan Ohson, MD (Teleradiology only); Arlene Sussman, MD (Teleradiology only); Julie Shaffrey, MD (Teleradiology only); Derek Dyess, MD (Teleradiology only); Shaden Mohammad, MD (Teleradiology only); James Manwill, MD (Teleradiology only); William Whitsell, MD (Teleradiology only); Christian Vankirk, MD (Teleradiology only); Gail Jones, MD (Teleradiology only); Ronald Chelsky, MD (Teleradiology only); Erin Boehm, MD (Teleradiology only); Michael Gardner, MD (Teleradiology only); Commissioner Rogers seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Sigfrinius made a motion to adjourn at 5:20 p.m. Commissioner Mosbrucker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

 08.20.2015
Larry Hoctor, President


Ray Mosbrucker, Board Secretary