

**EASTERN RIO BLANCO COUNTY HEALTH SERVICE DISTRICT  
dba PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER  
MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MAY 24, 2022**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Kimberly Brown, President

Kai Turner, Vice President

Todd Shults, Secretary

Mark Schryver

Regas Halandras

Wade Bradfield, Elected Board Member

Jeff Eskelson, Elected Board Member

J. H. Sheridan, Elected Board Member

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Liz Sellers, CEO

Lionel Montoya, CFO

Eric Jones, QHR

Lauren Bline, QHR, via Zoom

Wanda Wright, QHR, via Zoom

Christina Harney, Legal Counsel

Dr. Kellie Turner, Chief of Medical Staff, via Zoom

Cindy Rholl, Medical Staff Coordinator, via Zoom

Rachel Gates, Marketing, via Zoom

Dan Olson, Compliance Officer

Brea Rascon, Cardiopulmonary Director

Natalie Bustad, Admin Assistant, Recorder

**PUBLIC PRESENT:**

Lucas Turner, Rio Blanco Herald Times

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President Brown called the monthly meeting of the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District Board of Directors to order at 12:14 PM. Directors and attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The mission statement was read for Board consideration.

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

Lionel Montoya, CFO, introduced Connie Schoen, Director of Long Term Care, and Erica Gendron, PharmD, Director of Hospital Pharmacy.

**BOARD CHAIR AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS:**

President Brown offered her thanks for the last few years serving on the Board. Mark Schryver commended President Brown on a job well done. Todd Shults, Secretary, commented that leaving is difficult, but PMC has the right people in the right place. Kai Turner, Vice President, applauded the progress the Board has made and is looking forward for the progress to come.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

Mark Schryver made the motion to approve the agenda with the exceptions to move the QHR Report to item 9, and the Medical Staff Report to item 10. Regas Halandras seconded and the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

Mark Schryver made the motion to approve the minutes from April 22, 2022. Regas Halandras seconded and the motion carried.

**QHR REPORT:**

Wanda Wright, QHR, shared a presentation on the Overall Payers Summary. They are looking for an improvement in how the third party payers are paying Pioneers Medical Center.

**MEDICAL STAFF REPORT:**

Dr. Kellie Turner, Chief of Medical Staff, presented the report for the Board. The Medical Staff is looking forward to Cathern Zweifel, a PA, who will be joining PMC in August. Dr. Karen Frye will be Cathern's physician overseer. Dr. Jodi Fitzgerald will be coming to Pioneers Medical Center in the Fall.

COVID numbers are seeing an increase around town, but the Medical Staff is not seeing the strain on resources like they did last Fall.

Since the jail closed, any transfers to the Craig jail stop at PMC for medical clearance. There are questions regarding the billing for these.

The Medical Staff is being payed biweekly. It is difficult for providers and payroll to track RVUs and other aspects of provider pay.

**CREDENTIALLING:**

Dr. Mark Dearing is from Radiology Partners. Dr. Dearing's record is clear. The Medical Staff recommends the Board credential Dr. Mark Dearing for his initial appointment.

Dr. Glenn Kaplan has one report on his record. In 2008, Dr. Kaplan requested a different set than what the physician ordered. The Medical Staff does not believe it was a case of neglect or a bad read. The Medical Staff recommends the Board credential Dr. Glenn Kaplan for his initial appointment.

Dr. David Nordin is a pathologist. There is one report on his record from about 20 years ago concerning an issue with one of his reads. Otherwise, his record is clear. The Medical Staff recommends the Board credential Dr. David Nordin for his initial appointment.

Russel Stagg, CRNA, Dr. Jason Dicarlo, and Dr. William Weathers have clear records. The Medical Staff recommends the Board approve them for reappointment.

Mark Schryver made the motion to credential Dr. Mark Dearing, Dr. Glenn Kaplan, and Dr. David Nordin for their initial appointments. Regas Halandras seconded and the motion carried.

Mark Schryver made the motion to approve and reappoint Russel Stagg, CRNA, Dr. Jason Dicarlo, and Dr. William Weathers. Regas Halandras seconded and the motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Rachel Gates, Marketing Director, updated the Board on the DOLA Grant. The application has not been submitted yet. The DOLA Grant Application requires a public hearing and Board approval. Pioneers Medical Center is requesting \$119,245.

Rachel Gates has applied for an \$8,000,000 grant for assisted living through Senator Bennett's office. Receiving the funds depends on when Congress approves the 2023 budget.

President Brown entertained a motion to approve and proceed with the DOLA Grant application. Todd Shults, Secretary, made the motion, Mark Schryver seconded and the motion carried.

### **NEW BOARD MEMBERSHIP:**

Dan Olson, Compliance Officer, administered the Oaths of Office for each new Director.

Wade Bradfield stood and took the Oath of Office, declaring that he will support the Constitution of the United States of America, the Constitution of the State of Colorado, the laws of Colorado, and that he will faithfully perform the duties of the office as a Director of the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District to the best of his abilities.

James H. Sheridan (J.H.) stood and took the Oath of Office, declaring that he will support the Constitution of the United States of America, the Constitution of the State of Colorado, the laws of Colorado, and that he will faithfully perform the duties of the office as a Director of the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District to the best of his abilities.

Jeffery Eskelson (Jeff) stood and took the Oath of Office, declaring that he will support the Constitution of the United States of America, the Constitution of the

State of Colorado, the laws of Colorado, and that he will faithfully perform the duties of the office as a Director of the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District to the best of his abilities.

Regas Halandras nominated Mark Schryver to take the seat as President of the Board. Jeff Eskelson seconded, and the motion carried.

Jeff Eskelson nominated Regas Halandras to take the seat as Vice President of the Board. Wade Bradfield seconded and the motion carried.

Mark Schryver nominated J.H. Sheridan to take the seat as Secretary and Treasurer of the Board. Jeff Eskelson seconded and the motion carried.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Regas Haladras, Vice President, made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Jeff Eskelson seconded and the motion carried.

### **CEO REPORT:**

Liz Sellers, CEO, is working on bringing in a new EHR. The goal is to preview three different companies within the next month. Complete implementation would take 8-12 months. The Medical Staff is open to a new EHR, and will take part in selecting the new system.

The Central Sterile remodel is almost complete. It should be finished by the end of June. Pioneers Medical Center will be increasing ER security in July. The expansion to increase to 25 beds has been put on hold due to cost. Craig Orthopedic has outgrown its building, and they are trying to find a better location. The new Home Health building on 3<sup>rd</sup> street is finished. They are working on scheduling the move. The old Home Health building needs remodeled. The plan is to use that building as a commons for housing travelers.

### **CNO REPORT:**

Liz Sellers, CEO, on behalf of Amy Peck, CNO, updated the Board. Currently, there are 8 CNAs that will be coming to Pioneers Medical Center to do their practicums. Should they decided to stay, PMC will reimburse their CNA schooling tuition. The HealthOne robot is here. It will provide Stroke and Behavioral Health support. There is enough need for two LCSWs at PMC.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

Regas Halandras, Vice President, made the motion to approve and accept the Finance Committee Report. Jeff Eskelson seconded and the motion carried.

**SERVICE EXCELLENCE PRESENTATION:**

Brea Rascon, Cardiopulmonary Director, gave a brief presentation to the Board regarding a new program she would like to implement at PMC. Brea Rascon would like to implement a monthly or biweekly presentation for new employees concerning HCAP, HIPAA, value based care, patient experience, etc. She asked the Board for \$4,000 for the year to begin implementing the program. She believes that this program could greatly impact employee engagement and retention.

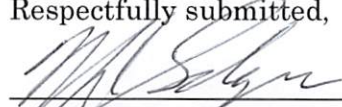
**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business, Regas Halandras, Vice President, made the motion to move into Executive Session. Jeff Eskelson seconded and the motion carried at 1:58 PM. At 3:50 PM, Regas Halandras, Vice President, made the motion to move out of Executive Session and into the Regular Meeting. Wade Bradfield seconded and motion carried.

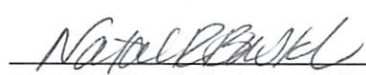
Wade Bradfield was appointed to the ~~Quality~~ [Compliance] Committee [corrected at the Board Meeting on June 28, 2022], J.H. Sheridan was appointed to the Compliance Committee, and Jeff Eskelson was appointed to the Finance [and Quality] Committees [corrected at the Board Meeting on June 28, 2022]. J.H. Sheridan, Secretary, made the motion to approve the board committee's and elected positions. Wade Bradfield seconded and the motion carried.

J.H. Sheridan, Secretary, made the motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting. Wade Bradfield seconded and the motion carried. The Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 3:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Mark Schryver, President

  
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J. H. Sheridan, Secretary

  
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Natalie Bustad, Admin Assistant, Recorder