

BOARD OF HOSPITAL COMMISSIONERS

June 10, 2025

Those in attendance were Hospital Commissioners Don Welander, Darrin Moody (Virtual) 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; Dr. Darren Cuevas, Mason Health Robert Johnson, Legal Counsel, and Shelly Dunnington, Senior Executive Assistant.

Others in attendance: Jeff Lawson, OAC; Patrick O'Neil, Director of Facilities

Don Welander called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 8:00 a.m.

Agenda Review and Minutes:

The agenda and minutes were approved as presented.

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve May 27, 2025 minutes as presented.

Commissioners' Committee Report & Calendar

Darrin Moody attended BOHC and Public Health Meeting on May 27, 2025, met w/ Scott Hilburn on May 29, 2025, participated in Forest Festival on May 30, 2025, and met w/Eric 1:1 on June 9, 2025.

Don Welander attended BOHC on May 27, 2025, participated in Forest Festival May 30, 2025, and met Eric Moll 1:1, on June 9, 2025.

Lori Brady attended BOHC May 27, 2025, participate in Forest Festival May 30, 2025, and met w/ Eric Moll 1:1 on June 9, 2025.

Public Comments: Phillip Wilson provided public comments.

Consent Agenda:

It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve June 10, 2025 consent agenda as presented.

Legal Counsel - None

CEO's Report –

Eric Moll shared how we have kicked off the Primary Care Pod. Steve Leslie has initiated a \$5M financial mitigation - \$4M from service production and another \$1M from operating cost reduction.

Payor contracting and management are being discussed at the TRC. The State of Washington allows Rural PHDs to jointly contract with payors. Currently, there are 28 Rural PHD's with one more expected to join.

Monthly Reports – None

Old Business –

- a. Construction Update - Jeff Lawson joined the meeting to provide a monthly construction update. The Eye Clinic is now a priority target for completion in the third week of August 2025.

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New Business –

- a. Physical Security Risk Assessment - Patrick O’Neil presented a PowerPoint on “Physical Security Action Plan Executive Summary”. He covered key areas of focus, key action steps, deliverables, timeline highlights and next steps.
- b. Executive Summary: Completed Wayfinding & Traffic Flow Improvements - Patrick O’Neil presented a PowerPoint on this topic. Darrin Moody commented that the new improvements look much better.
- c. Budget Amendment – Steve Leslie recommended increasing the 2025 operating budget by \$30,406 in 8430.69300 (Maintenance). The server upgrade is not currently funded in the FY25 capital budget. Upgrading to the JCI hosted Metasys ROC solution addresses cybersecurity mandates while improving overall system reliability, uptime, and long-term supportability.
It was moved, seconded and voted to approve the increase of \$30,406 to the 2025 operating budget.
- d. Budget Amendment -Winfried Danke recommended increasing the Mason Clinic Primary Care operating budget \$16,585 to replace end-of-life fundus photography equipment with the AI-assisted LumineticsCore system from Digital Diagnostics for diabetic retinopathy screening.
It was moved, seconded and voted to approve the \$16,585 increase for new diabetic retinopathy screening.

Administration Roundtable

Winfried Danke discussed the Primary Access initiative, with the goal of a 20% improvement. He noted benchmarking efforts and a focus on increasing productivity.

Winfried also provided a referral management update. Performance was green for a month but recently increased from 3 days to 6 days. Staffing changes should help return to green performance.

Steve Leslie updated on Revenue Cycle. The focus is on the daily volumes. The Finance Department has hired a Financial Analyst starting in July and extending an offer for an accounting position. Once both are onboard, Finance will be fully staffed.

The hospital safety net program has been approved in Washington State for 2025.

Mel Strong reported an MOU agreement for Surgery Tech, with ratification expected at the July 8, 2025 board meeting. Work continues on the AFSCME contract.

Will Norton, ED Supervisor, has resigned. The position will not be posted at this time.

Mel Strong is working on implementing a hospice program in the hospital.

Our first ED Social Worker begins work in the ED today.

Dr. Cuevas reported efforts to find a partner for infection control provider services.

Administration Roundtable (continued)

Dr. Cuevas shared that the primary care providers on August 23rd will be doing Sports Physical free of charge at the YMCA.

Adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

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OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BY: _____

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