



Wednesday, April 24, 2019
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

San Juan County Public Hospital District #2
4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
Lopez Fire & EMS Meeting Room

1. Opening Items

Subject **A. Call to Order**

Meeting Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

Category 1. Opening Items

Access Public

Type Action, Procedural

Recommended Action The meeting will be called to order by the Board Chair once a quorum of Commissioners is present.

Subject **B. Public Comment**

Meeting Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

Category 1. Opening Items

Access Public

Type Information, Procedural

The purpose of the public comment period is for the public to inform the Commissioners about their views on matters before the Board. It is not intended for debate and discussion with the public. Public comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

2. Consent Agenda

Subject **A. Draft Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

Category 2. Consent Agenda

Access Public

Type Action (Consent)

Recommended Action Our adopted rules of Parliamentary Procedure, Robert's Rules, provide for a Consent Agenda listing several items for approval of the Board by a single motion. Most of the items listed under the Consent Agenda have gone through a Board Committee or Auditing Officer for review and recommendation. Documentation concerning these items has been provided to the Board and the public in advance to assure an extensive and thorough review. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of any Board member.

The draft minutes from the March 27th Regular Board meeting have been submitted for approval as part of the Consent Agenda.

File Attachments

2. Item IIIa LIHD_Minutes_2019_March 27 DRAFTv2.docx (39 KB)

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Subject B. AP Voucher Report

Meeting Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

Category 2. Consent Agenda

Access Public

Type Action (Consent)

The April 23, 2019 AP Voucher Report will be reviewed by the Auditing Officer and presented to the Board for approval.

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Subject C. Approval of Consent Agenda

Meeting Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

Category 2. Consent Agenda

Access Public

Type Action (Consent)

Recommended Action Recommend approval of items on the Consent Agenda.

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3. Special Presentation

Subject	A. Interisland Healthcare Foundation
Meeting	Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Category	3. Special Presentation
Access	Public
Type	Discussion, Information

The InterIsland Healthcare Foundation was created to receive, hold, invest and administer funds to operate health care facilities and to provide health care services to the residents of San Juan County. The Foundation took on work that came out of the Long-Term Care Options Task Force, which was formed in 2017 following closure of the only large long-term care center in San Juan County.

The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) comprised of members from SJCPHD#1, PIMC and someone with experience in the long-term care arena. Members Evan Perrollaz and Beth Williams-Gueger will provide an update on the work underway and the goals of the Foundation specific to Long-term Care. The Foundation wants to see whether the LIHD has an interest in becoming more involved with the Foundation's work. The LIHD also received letter of support from the SJC Board of Health, and an article with additional background is attached.

<p>File Attachments Islands' Sounder Article on long-term care task force.pdf (1,237 KB)</p>

4. Committee Reports

Subject	A. Finance Committee
Meeting	Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Category	4. Committee Reports
Access	Public
Type	Information

The Finance Committee expects to receive UWNC's FY '20 Draft Budget at the end of April and will bring a first draft to the May Board meeting.

Subject	B. Quality Committee
Meeting	Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Category	4. Committee Reports
Access	Public
Type	Information

Based on Board feedback at the 2/27 presentation on the UWNC's Quality report, the Quality Committee has scheduled a follow-up meeting with Dr. Matt Jaffy on April 30th.

The Committee has requested UWNC take a deeper dive into the three areas in the report with the lowest scores, and talk about a plan for improvement. The areas identified were:

- **Pediatric Immunization rates**
- **Diabetic Eye Exams**
- **Annual Wellness Visits**

Due to time constraints in their initial meeting, the Committee wasn't able to review access and Patient Experience data. In an effort to better understand if perceived barriers to access exist, the Committee asked to address the following questions:

- **How many non-duplicated patients have been seen in the first half of the year**
- **Can UWNC capture data to assess magnitude of individual (antidotal) access concerns (e.g. understand how many/if islanders are being turned away for lack of ability to pay)**
- **Is UWNC able to track additional data on access and patient satisfaction that might be important to LIHD**
- **Access infrastructure as far as available slots and how provider vacations are factored into access**

Finally, the last area of interest is around reporting on required screenings/services that are delivered by non-UW providers. Since many islanders are referred to providers in Bellingham for age-appropriate screenings (e.g. colonoscopies) the data in UWNC's report might reflect results falling below target; however, it could be that care delivered is appropriate yet not all recorded and recognized within the UW system. The Committee would like to get clarity around how this is managed in a Patient Centered Medical Home model.

Subject	C. Communications Committee
Meeting	Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Category	4. Committee Reports
Access	Public
Type	Information

The Chair of the Communications Committee will provide a report from a recently attended webinar titled: Crisis Communication: How to Respond Effectively When the Public is Watching.

5. Operations Reports

Subject	A. Monthly Financial Reports
Meeting	Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Category	5. Operations Reports
Access	Public
Type	Information

The Superintendent will review financial results for the month of March 2019. Report highlights include:

I. Treasurers Report - the General Fund ending balance is \$412,987.

II. Revenue Report - Property Tax revenue YTD is shown as \$131,763, and YTD Leasehold Tax revenue is \$433. Leasehold Tax is a tax on use of public property by a private party, and is paid in lieu of Property Tax. Finally, there is a deposit of \$500 associated with the monthly Insurance Recovery from Orcas Island Health Care District to reimburse LIHD for a portion of the shared Superintendent's health insurance premium through PEBB.

III. Expenditure Report - In the month of March, the District received reimbursement for the IT grant award from the SOS. This \$13,000 credit is reflected in Computer Software expense. The District also made the Q'2 quarterly payment for the District Office rent. The balance of expenses were normal monthly expenditures associated with payroll, telephone and internet, and travel.

File Attachments

- [6531 Monthly Financial_2019_March.pdf \(72 KB\)](#)
- [6531 Expenditure Status Report_March 2019.pdf \(107 KB\)](#)
- [6531 Revenue Report_March 2019.pdf \(103 KB\)](#)

Subject	B. Kaiser Air Transport Update
Meeting	Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Category	5. Operations Reports
Access	Public
Type	Information

The Superintendent will report on a meeting held on April 22nd with representatives from Kaiser and the Office of the WA Insurance Commissioner. The meeting is scheduled to run from 11 to 1 on SJI. There will be 2-3 representatives from both Kaiser and the Office of the Insurance Commissioner. Attending from the County will be Dale Heisinger and Mark Toimpkins representing the BOH, Chief Havner and Superintendent Presson will represent Lopez island, and there will be representatives from Airlift Northwest and Island Air.

The draft Agenda is attached and the questions below were submitted to Kaiser and the OIC last week.

1. As we understand, the rules of most commercial insurance carriers, if a patient does not have an emergency medical condition and requests transport by an air ambulance simply for convenience, a preauthorization would first need to be obtained. Further, without this preauthorization, the insurer may not approve any payment for the air ambulance transport, and the patient may be held financially responsible for the transport. Is this true for both KPWA Medicare plan members and KPWA commercial plan members? If true, what are the appropriate phone number(s) they need to call for this preauthorization?

2. Assume a patient arrives at our Critical Access Hospital on San Juan Island with an emergency medical condition, and after treating and stabilizing the patient to the best of their capability, the treating physician determines that that emergency medical condition has not been fully resolved, and that the patient needs to be emergently transported to a larger hospital on the mainland. Further, assume that the treating physician, after taking into account all of the medical and logistical considerations, determines that the appropriate mode of emergency transportation is by air ambulance to the nearest appropriate facility on the mainland. Do these patient transports require any type of insurance preauthorization to ensure that the patient will not be held financially liable? Does the same answer apply to both KPWA Medicare plan members and KPWA commercial plan members? If different, please explain.

3. Assume a trained EMS first responder responds to a 911 call for a patient experiencing an emergency medical condition on any of the islands where there is no hospital. If, after examining the patient, the EMS first responder acting in good faith and consistent with their training determines that transporting the patient by an air ambulance is appropriate. Do these patient transports require any type of insurance preauthorization to ensure that the patient will not be held financially liable? Does the same answer apply to both KPWA Medicare plan members and KPWA commercial plan members? If different, please explain.

4. How does KPWA determine medical necessity? What are the credentials of the person making this "judgment call"? Are determinations of medical necessity specific to EMS evaluation prospectively, or is it a retrospective after the fact determination? Since these decisions are made in real time with limited information, it would be nice to know the methodologies utilized.

5. If medical necessity isn't in question and the denial is related to not being transported to the closest facility, will Kaiser at least pay the base air transport cost?

File Attachments

[Air Medical Transport Draft Agenda 4-19-19.pdf \(85 KB\)](#)

[Kaiser air_ambulance.pdf \(249 KB\)](#)

Subject	C. Liability Insurance Renewal
Meeting	Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Category	5. Operations Reports

Access Public

Type Information

Superintendent Presson will provide an update on the annual insurance renewal. There was a rate adjustment of \$50/year in the General Liability and Management Liability lines of coverage.

Subject D. Open Source Wellness

Meeting Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

Category 5. Operations Reports

Access Public

Type Discussion, Information

As part of a focus on creating a collaborative, community based approach to health care on Lopez Island, the Superintendent has been exploring the possibility of a pilot project with UWNC, LIFE and LIFRC. The partner would be a new company called Open Source Wellness, a CA based start-up supporting the four basis practices of wellbeing (physical movement, healthy meals, social connection and stress reduction) that underlie physical and mental health. Their philosophy of embedding a culture of health within a community, and leveraging the power of peer support, aligns with much of what the entities have been discussing. Together, we are researching grants in hopes of piloting a 16-week program for a co-hort of clients of the Family Resource Center that we have asked the Clinic to engage. More information can be found at www.opensourcewellness.org.

A program overview and cost summary is attached, along with a few articles that speak to the impact of addressing factors outside of the clinic setting.

File Attachments

[AI-Assisted Solution to Address the Social Determinants of Health.pdf \(113 KB\)](#)

[How prescribing healthy food could save billions of dollars in health care costs - MarketWatch.pdf \(401 KB\)](#)

[OSW - Lopez island overview narrative 4.19.pdf \(125 KB\)](#)

[OSW-Lopez Budget 4.19.pdf \(126 KB\)](#)

Subject E. Articles of Interest

Meeting Apr 24, 2019 - Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

Category 5. Operations Reports

Access Public

Type Information

Every month, Superintendent Presson shares articles that are relevant to the health care discussion in order to help inform local health care issues with industry expertise and activities. Others are encouraged to submit articles to be shared with the Board.

File Attachments

[Telemedicine, Walk-In Clinics Cloud Role of Family Doctor - The New York Times.pdf \(92 KB\)](#)

6. Old Business

7. New Business

Subject A. Engaging the community in the health care discussion

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Category 7. New Business

Access Public

Type Action

At the last Board meeting, the Chair and Superintendent shared a document to help the Commissioners begin formulating their thoughts in advance of the renewal of the Clinical Services Agreement with UWNC. In reviewing the recent quality and financial reports, questions arose as to why visits were down and certain key quality metrics were well below target. Taken in combination with informal community feedback and concerns, the Board was asked to think about how a more formal approach could be taken to soliciting feedback from the community.

The Board Chair and Superintendent met with UWNC at the end of last month and discussed the idea of a community survey. UWNC was supportive of the Board's desire to take the pulse of the community to help inform how they approach the next three years. Understanding that a critical relationship in the delivery of health care is LIFE, the Chair and Superintendent met with the LIFE Chair to talk about a path forward.

The proposed Community Conversation is the result of these discussions. At draft announcement and community invitation is attached.

File Attachments
 LIHD_LIFE Message_2019V4_21.docx (16 KB)

8. Closing Items

Subject A. Upcoming Meetings and Key Activities

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Category 8. Closing Items

Access Public

Type Information

A list of upcoming Board and Committee meetings, as well as other key activities of the Board, are summarized below:

- a. **LIHD Quality Committee Meeting – April 30th 10-12**
- b. **Week to file for Commissioner Seats 2 & 5 up for election - May 13 thru May 17**
- c. **OIHC Planning Retreat - May 13th 9 - 5**
- d. **LIHD-LIFE Community Conversation – (proposed) May 15th 6:30 pm**
- e. **LIHD Regular Board Meeting – May 22, 2019 at 4:30 (Comm. Graville to Chair)**
 1. **UW to present Operations Report, FY '20 Draft Budget and proposed changes**
- f. **LIHD Regular Board Meeting – June 19, 2019 at 4:30 (rescheduled)**
- g. **Rural Hospital Leadership Conference – June 23rd thru June 26th**

Subject B. Meeting Adjournment

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Category 8. Closing Items

Access Public

Type Action, Procedural

Recommended Action At the conclusion of all business, the Chair will entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting.