

Great Lakes Health System of Western New York

Board Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Great Lakes Health System of Western New York was held at Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo, 219 Bryant Street, Buffalo, New York on Wednesday, October 14, 2009.

Present: Yogesh Bakhai, M.D.; Lawrence Bone, M.D.; Michael Cain, M.D.; Kevin Cichocki, D.C.; David Dunn, M.D.; Robert Gioia; Mary Gresham Ph.D.; Sharon L. Hanson; James Kaskie; Jody Lomeo; Brenda McDuffie; Judge James McLeod; Sundra Ryce; Edward F. Walsh, Jr.; Robert M. Zak; David Zebro; Anthony Colucci, III; Robert Nolan; Mark Barabas; Betsy Baumler

Absent: James Budny, M.D.; Irene Snow, M.D.

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 AM by the Chair, Robert Gioia.

Minutes

The following minutes were received and filed as presented:

- Board of Directors' meeting – August 12, 2009
- Finance Committee meeting – July 13, 2009
- Strategic and Community Planning Committee – August 10, 2009
- Professional Steering Committee – August 3, 2009
- Professional Steering Committee – September 14, 2009

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the meetings listed above were unanimously received and filed as presented.

Committee Updates

Finance

Mr. Lomeo gave an overview of ECMC's 2010 Budget. The Board discussed a recent meeting with the Western New York delegation and proposed State budget cuts. Mr. Kaskie distributed a proposed letter to the Governor from the delegation which outlines the impact to health care in Western New York. The Board discussed suggestions on how to enhance the letter with more statistics and how to engage the community in our advocacy efforts.

Mr. Gioia indicated the Kaleida Health financials will be presented during Executive Session.

Professional Steering Committee

Dr. Bone updated the Board on discussions by the Committee indicating four additional subcommittees have been established including GI, Neurology, Primary Care, and Breast Cancer. The Board requested a listing of all subcommittee members once they are established.

Strategic and Community Health Planning Committee

Mr. Barabas highlighted the HEAL grant recently awarded to ECMC and thanked Kaleida for the assistance of their grant department. He outlined initiatives being underway by the Transplant Task Force to implement the recommendations of the Professional Steering Committee. Mr. Barabas reviewed the CON process for the new transplant program and discussed a deadline for filing of November 1, 2009.

The Board discussed other initiatives underway including the back office task force and the engagement of outside consultants.

Adjournment of Open Session

There being no further business to discuss in open session, **upon motion made and duly seconded, Mr. Gioia adjourned the regular meeting of the Board and called the Board into Executive Session to discuss financial and strategic planning matters and Kaleida Health business.**

Mr. Gioia departed the meeting during Executive Session. Judge James McLeod acted as Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

Return to Open Session

After adjournment of Executive Session, Judge McLeod called the Board back into regular session.

No voting occurred during Executive Session.

Approval of Kaleida Health CONs

Upon the recommendation of the Strategic and Community Health Planning Committee and **upon motion duly made and seconded, the four proposed CONs for Kaleida Health were unanimously approved as presented.**

Approval of ECMC CONs

Upon the recommendation of the Strategic and Community Health Planning Committee and **upon motion duly made and seconded, the two proposed CONs for ECMC were unanimously approved as presented.**

Next Meeting

Judge McLeod indicated the next meeting of the Great Lakes Health Board would be held on Wednesday, December 9, 2009 at 7:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy A. Baumler