

WESTCHESTER COUNTY HEALTH CARE CORPORATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 5, 2024

6:00 P.M.

EXECUTIVE BOARD ROOM

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: William Frishman, M.D., Renee Garrick, M.D., Herman Geist, Susan Gevertz, John Heimerdinger, Patrick McCoy, Alfredo Quintero, Michael Rosenblut, Zubeen Shroff, Sharla St. Rose, Mark Tulis, Judith Watson, Richard Wishnie

VOTING MEMBERS EXCUSED: Mitchell Hochberg, Tracey Mitchell

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Israel, Martin Rogowsky

STAFF PRESENT: Julie Switzer, EVP, Chief Legal Officer
Anthony Costello, EVP, COO
Josh Ratner, EVP, Chief Strategy Officer
Phyllis Yezzo, EVP, CNO
Ann Marie Soares, Executive Corporate Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The June 5, 2024, meeting of the Westchester County Health Care Corporation ("WCHCC") Board of Directors was called to order at 6:00 p.m., by Mr. Shroff, Chair. A quorum was present.

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Renee Garrick, M.D.	Zubeen Shroff
Herman Geist	Sharla St. Rose
Susan Gevertz	Mark Tulis
John Heimerdinger	Judith Watson
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NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Michael Israel
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REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE MEDICAL STAFF

Dr. Altman provided the report of the President of the Medical Staff. She presented a credentialing packet (dated June 5, 2024 and attached to these minutes), containing information on Credentialing Appointments, Reappointments, Additional Privileges, Category of Staff Changes, FPPEs, updates to the Physician Assistant Surgery DOP, updates to the Radiation Medicine DOP, and updates to the Intra-Abdominal & Hepatobiliary Surgery DOP.

Motion to Approve Recommendations for Credentialing Appointments, Reappointments, Additional Privileges, Category of Staff Changes, FPPEs, updates to the Physician Assistant Surgery DOP, updates to the Radiation Medicine DOP, and updates to the Intra-Abdominal & Hepatobiliary Surgery DOP.

MR. SHROFF ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CREDENTIALING APPOINTMENTS, REAPPOINTMENTS, ADDITIONAL PRIVILEGES, CATEGORY OF STAFF CHANGES, FPPEs, UPDATES TO THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SURGERY DOP, UPDATES TO THE RADIATION MEDICINE DOP, AND UPDATES TO THE INTRA-ABDOMINAL & HEPATOBILIARY SURGERY DOP. MS. WATSON MOTIONED, SECONDED BY MR. ROSENBLUT. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board moved into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel, strategic planning and quality matters.

MR. SHROFF ASKED FOR A MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION. DR. ST. ROSE MOTIONED, SECONDED BY MR. TULIS. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

MR. SHROFF ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 1, 2024, MEETING OF THE BOARD. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. HEIMERDINGER, SECONDED BY MR. ROSENBLUT, TO APPROVE THE MAY 1, 2024, WESTCHESTER COUNTY HEALTH CARE CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Shroff, Chair, Executive Committee, reported that the Committee met on May 30, 2024.

Mr. Shroff advised that the meeting was held for informational purposes only, and no actions were taken.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Tulis, Chair, Finance Committee, stated that the Committee met prior to the Board meeting.

Mr. Tulis informed the Board that the Committee voted to recommend Resolution 6 to the Board to authorize a guaranty of the Bon Secours Charity Health System loan from the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York. In addition, the Committee also voted to recommend Resolution 7 to the Board, to authorize a guaranty of the HealthAlliance loan from the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.

MR. SHROFF ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 6 AND RESOLUTION 7, AUTHORIZING A GUARANTY OF THE BON SECOURS CHARITY HEALTH SYSTEM AND THE HEALTHALLIANCE LOANS FROM THE DORMITORY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. MR. WISHNIE MOTIONED, SECONDED BY MS. WATSON. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

QUALITY COMMITTEE

Ms. Gevertz, Chair, Quality Committee, reported that the Committee met on May 1, 2024.

Dr. Garrick summarized the following departmental presentations from the March 14, 2024, meeting of the Quality and Safety Council:

- **Ambulatory Committee:** Areas of Focus for Improvement were presented: Hypertension Control Project, Age Appropriate Health Screening, Diabetes Mellitus Management, and Pediatric Outpatient Obesity Management. Appointment Volume Analysis was discussed. Successes and a Regulatory report were provided.
- **Pain Management Council:** Areas of Focus for Improvement were presented: Increase the Utilization of "PCA", Restrict High Dose Opioids, Naloxone, Safe Opioid Prescribing Upon Discharge, Opioid Discharge Counseling Initiative for Pediatrics, High Dose Opioid Utilization, and Safe Opioid Prescribing Upon Discharge. Future Directions were outlined for the Committee.
- **Infection Prevention:** Public Reporting of Hospital Acquired Infections ("HAI") was reviewed, as well as National Benchmarking of HAI Measures. Areas of Focus: Clostridium Difficile Infection, Surgical Site Infection. Successes: MRSA Bloodstream Infection, Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infection, and Central Line Associated Bloodstream Infection. A Regulatory update was provided. The 2024 IPC Annual Plan and Risk Assessment was discussed.

A QA/PI report was submitted by Radiology, HIM, Human Resources, Hyperbaric, and Behavioral Health Center.

Ms. Gevertz informed the Board that the Committee received a presentation on the Department of Surgery by Dr. Kirsch and Dr. Lansman. They presented the following highlights and data:

- CMS Patient Safety Indicators Rate per 1000 Medicare ACA;
- PSI 11 Postoperative Respiratory Failure Rate Improvement;
- Venous Thromboembolism;
- Combined SICU, TICU 2022 and 2023 CAUTI and CLASBI infection rates were presented;
- Colon SSI rates and CABG SSI rates were presented for 2015-2023;
- Readmissions and Mortality from 2023 were presented.

Patient Experience:

- Communication of case cancellations project;
- Partnering for medication education and “Meds to Beds”
 - Targeting 2 OFIs identified by Press Ganey and to reduce readmissions;
- Dedicated Patient Experience Physician Champion – Dr. Clarke;
- Future Direction – Disparities.

WMC Burn Team – ABA Program Verification – no citations.

Regulatory:

- MHRH Level II Adult Trauma Center Reverification – December 2023, no citations; and
- Valhalla Adult and Pediatric Level I Trauma Centers Reverification – January 2025

DEI program was discussed. Quarterly meetings are held with guest speakers.

Ms. Gevertz informed the Board that Ms. McFarlane provided a regulatory report for the Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

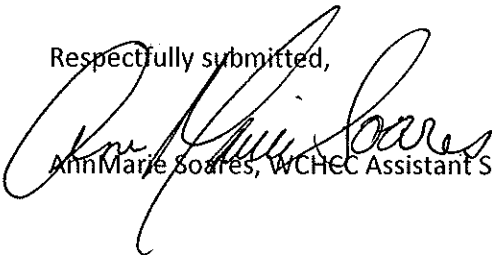
OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

ADJOURNMENT

MR. SHROFF ASKED FOR A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE JUNE 5, 2024, MEETING OF THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY HEALTH CARE CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS. MR. QUINTERO MOTIONED, SECONDED BY DR. ST. ROSE. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Marie Soares, WCHCC Assistant Secretary