



Denver Health and Hospital Authority Board Meeting
MEETING MINUTES
601 Broadway, 9th Floor, Room 927
Thursday, August 25, 2022
1:37 p.m. – 5:20 p.m.

Board of Directors	Staff	Staff	Guests
Present:	Robin D. Wittenstein, Ed.D., FACHE--89	Jackie Zheleznyak	Candice Jones
Patricia "Pia" Dean (<i>In-Person</i>)	Dr. Kathy Boyle	Lorena Zimmer	Dr. Judy Shlay
Jim Chavez (<i>In-Person</i>)	Dr. Bob Belknap	Dr. Heather Young	Leigh Foster
Patti Klinge (<i>In-Person</i>)	Gary Kielty	Dr. Jeremy Long	Heather Edwards
Frank deGruy (<i>In -Person</i>)	Michelle Fournier Johnson	Katherine Marinelli	Deb Gardner
Eli Provencio-Vasquez (<i>In-Person</i>)	Amy Friedman	Dr. Lucy Loomis	Polly Nelson
Doug Friednash (<i>Via WebEx Until 3:15pm</i>)	Kris Gaw	Dr. Brett Leggett	Jama Goers
Tom Kim (<i>Until 4pm</i>)	Dr. Simon Hambidge	Dr. Becky Hanratty	Natalie Nicholson
Danielle Shoots	Dr. Romana Hasnain Wynia		Lisa Vogel
	Faraz Khan		Sara Henderson
Absent:	Greg McCarthy		Amanda Klahr
Hollie Velasquez-Horvath	Dr. Abraham Nussbaum		Kelly Medero
Kathy Nesbitt	Enid Wade		



Agenda Topic	Responsible Person (s)	Status/Comments
I. A. Call to Order and Approval of Minutes	Pia Dean	Ms. Pia Dean, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m. Ms. Patti Klinge made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Tom Kim seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously approved.
B. Introduction to the Board Members	Pia Dean	Ms. Dean introduced the new board members and the staff also introduced themselves.
C. Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement	Pia Dean	Ms. Dean requested disclosure of any conflicts of interest. No conflicts were reported.
D. Public Comment	Pia Dean	Candace Jones, Dr. Judy Shlay, Leigh Foster, and Heather Edwards provided public comment to the Board.
II. Medical Staff/Quality		
A. Medical Staff Appointments/QSSIC Comments	Dr. Long	Dr. Jeremy Long, MD, reported 47 new appointments, 43 reappointments, and 17 individuals leaving the staff. He reported that in the review, a handful of flags were resolved. Dr. Eli Provencio-Vasquez made a motion to approve the medical staff appointments. Dr. Frank deGruy seconded the motion, and the appointments were unanimously approved.
B. Medical Staff Executive Committee (MSEC) Update	Dr. Long	Dr. Long shared that the American Medical Association presented on the Joy in Medicine program and how to help with burnout some providers are experiencing.
C. Quality, Safety and Service Improvement Committee (QSSIC) Update	Dr. deGruy	Dr. deGruy provided an update from the Committee meeting. Dr. Heather Young gave an update on COVID and Monkeypox cases, and Dr. Kathy Boyle and Ms. Amy Friedman gave the annual presentation on Workplace Violence.
III. Consent Calendar		
A. Approval of Canon Interventional Radiology Equipment Agreement	Pia Dean	Mr. Kim made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar items. Dr. Provencio-Vasquez seconded the motion, and the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.
B. Approval of Revised DHHA 550 Acoma, Inc Bylaws		



<p>C. Resolutions to Appoint Danielle Shoots, Kathy Nesbitt, and Doug Friednash to the Board of Directors</p> <p>D. Resolution to Reappoint Patti Klinge and Frank v. deGruy to the Board of Directors</p> <p>E. Resolution to Grant Signature Authority to Kris Gaw</p> <p>F. Resolution to Grant Signature Authority to Donna Lynne, DrPH</p>		
<p>V. New Business</p> <p>A. CEO Report</p>	Robin Wittenstein	<p>Dr. Wittenstein, herself or by calling on others, provided updates on key issues across the organization. Dr. Wittenstein shared that there was a slight decrease in staff turnover in July. Leadership is expecting a visit from the Joint Commission in the 1st Quarter of 2023. The Center for Addiction Medicine was awarded a grant to expand construction for new space in the Arapahoe House.</p> <p>Dr. Kathy Boyle shared that the Nurse Residency Program has been accredited by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, Practice Transition Accreditation Program (PTAP), apprentice program. Dr. Wittenstein shared that Denver Health was named one of the top 20 employers in the state by Forbes.</p>
<p>B. Nursing Update</p>	Dr. Kathy Boyle	<p>Dr. Boyle shared an update on Denver Health's Department of Nursing. She shared data from the Gallup Poll that 81% of Americans polled stated that nursing is the most honest, ethical, and trusted of professions for 20 years in a row. Dr. Boyle also shared that there were over 400 nominations of our employees during the course of Nurses Week. She also discussed work of the workplace violence committee. There was a discussion about travelers, education, retention, and community nurses.</p>
<p>C. Nurse Staffing Plan Approval</p>	Dr. Kathy Boyle	<p>Dr. Boyle introduced the nurse executive team: Natalie Nicholson, Deb Garner, Lisa Vogel, Polly Nelson, Jama Goers, Valerie Garcia, Tonie Moore, Sarah Gardiner, Kelly Medero, Amanda Klahr, Sara</p>

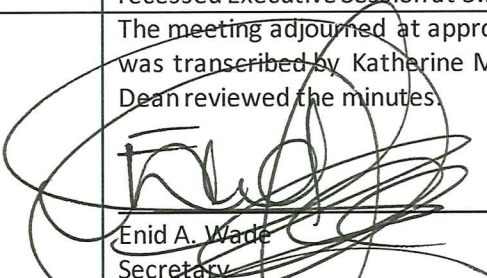
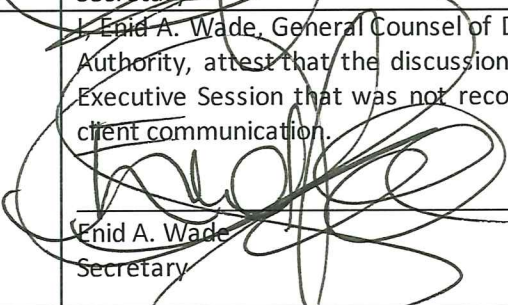
		Henderson, Jill Taglione, Andrea Ellis, Sharon Kirby, and Michelle Reitz. Dr. Boyle presented some background information regarding nurse staffing plans and requirements of HB 22-1401.
VI. Committee and Board Member Reports		
A. Finance, Audit, and Compliance Committee Report	Faraz Khan	Ms. Faraz Khan gave a brief overview of the July financials. Ms. Khan stated that volumes, discharges, and outpatient surgeries are lower than budget, while inpatient surgeries are higher than budget.
B. DCHS Report	Patti Klinge	Ms. Klinge reported that the committee saw a presentation on Ambulatory Care by Dr. Simon Hambidge and a presentation on RISE by Maria Schimpf. Ms. Klinge also shared information about market needs in the community.
C. DHMP Report	Greg McCarthy	Mr. Greg McCarthy reported that the Plan is expecting the Public Health Emergency to be extended into the first quarter of 2023. Mr. McCarthy also shared information about the Inflation Reduction Act.
D. Nominating and Governance	Pia Dean	No report was given as the committee has not met.
E. Human Resources Committee	Patti Klinge	Ms. Klinge reported that the committee saw a presentation on the CO FAMLI Program. The Nurse Staffing Plan was also reported on by Dr. Boyle.
F. Research and Education	Eli Provencio Vasquez	Dr. Provencio-Vasquez reported that the committee welcomed new members.
G. Community Engagement Committee	Jim Chavez	No report was given as the committee has not met.
H. Denver Health Foundation Report	Pia Dean	Ms. Dean reminded the group that Nightshine Gala is on Saturday, August 27, 2022.



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I. Chair's Report	Pia Dean	Ms. Dean encourages all to attend the Gala. Ms. Dean also wanted to recognize Dr. Wittenstein on her time at Denver Health and hopes to see everyone at the reception after the meeting.
VIII. Board Only Executive Session Deliberative Process and Attorney-Client Privileges A. Litigation Update B. Personnel Matter	Enid Wade/ Robin Wittenstein/Pia Dean	Ms. Klinge made a Motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) which allow for review and discussion of legal advice on regulatory, legal, and compliance matters, and on pending, threatened, or imminent litigation and settlements; to deliberate and discuss personnel matters, matters confidential under HIPAA, and matters confidential under other laws, and positions and strategy for negotiation; and under the deliberative process privilege pursuant to common law and the C.R.S. section 24-72-204 (3) (a) (4) and (13). Mr. Jim Chavez seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The board entered Executive Session at 4:40 pm and then recessed Executive Session at 5:20 pm.
Adjournment	Pia Dean	The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:20 pm. The meeting was transcribed by Katherine Marinelli. Enid A. Wade and Pia Dean reviewed the minutes.  Enid A. Wade Secretary
		I, Enid A. Wade, General Counsel of Denver Health and Hospital Authority, attest that the discussion during the portion of the Executive Session that was not recorded, concerned attorney-client communication.  Enid A. Wade Secretary