

Garfield County Public Hospital District No. 1
Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Regular Meeting:
March 3, 2025

Board Attending: Steve Cannon, Erica Stallcop, Mike Field, and Jen Dixon. Excused absence—Sherry Ledgerwood.

Staff Attending: Mat Slaybaugh, Stephanie Miller, Chris Boyd, and Caroline Moore. Jennie Qualey attended via Teams.

Public Attending: None.

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Conflict of Interest Statement: None.

Committee Reports:

- **Finance Committee**

A report was given on January financials, Medicare estimated reimbursement, 340B Program, nurse call system, Agile Consulting, and the clinic receptionist position that was recently filled.

- **Medical Staff Committee**

A report was given on a presentation by Quality Behavioral Health for programs offered, medication formulary, antimicrobial stewardship program, tele-nephrology/dialysis, and changing the reference lab.

- **Safety Committee**

A report was given on an online platform for SDS sheets and emergency preparedness drills and policies.

- **QAPI and Infection Prevention Committee**

A report was given on December and January benchmarks, med error education and reporting, infection control training and tracking, outdated items, increased positive feedback on communication surveys, changing to on-line surveys and changing the format for the QAPI report to a dashboard view.

- **Resident Council**

A report was given on the helium balloon fundraiser, March events which include Mardi Gras celebration, musical entertainment by the Scoggin family, St. Patrick's Day Party, and a leprechaun hunt.

- **Governance**

Online webinars are available March 24, "Navigating the Impacts for State and Federal Policies for Decision-Making," and May 21, "Hospital Finance 201," through Washington State Hospital Association.

Consent Agenda:

- Regular Board Minutes (02/03/25)
- AP Vouchers (413837—414019) (02/05/25) – (02/26/25)
- Payroll Voucher (52366—52368) (02/14/25) -- (02/28/25)
- Finance Committee Minutes (02/24/25)
- Medical Staff Committee Minutes (02/20/25)
- Safety Committee & Emergency Preparedness Minutes (02/19/25)
- QAPI & Infection Prevention Committee Minutes (02/27/25)

*A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as presented
Moved by Jennifer Dixon and seconded by Mike Field
Motion approved and passed unanimously by vote*

Old Business:

1. Electrical Project Update

The transfer switch has arrived. The electricians have finished the regular circuits and will begin working on the emergency circuits. The electrical project is expected to be complete by the end of April 2025.

2. Imaging Suite Project

The full agreement for the program design is in the final stages. The congressional funding for the imaging suite depends on whether the appropriations budget is approved in the senate and house.

3. Strategic Plan Update

Renasolve is working to promote the dialysis and nephrology program along with our Chief Nursing Officer for placement.

4. CEO Report

A report was given on the Washington DC conference with Washington state legislators to discuss concerns for the Medicaid cuts, Medicaid tertiary programs and the proposed telehealth waivers. Additional reporting was given on a vacancy for ER locum coverage, standardized code language,

5. CFO Report

A report was given on the newly hired senior accountant, 2024 audit and cost report and Noridian payback letter based on September 30, 2024.

6. CNO Report

A report was given on the implementation of triage protocols, the development of sepsis care updates, newly hired infection control nurse, the upcoming WWCC career fair, nurse staffing, transportation aide position, and CNA courses offered this summer.

New Business

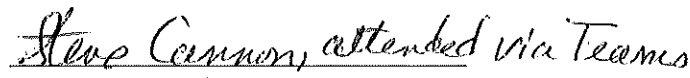
1. 2025 QAPI Goals

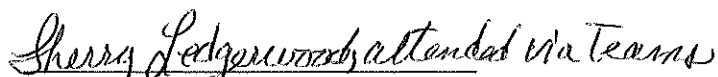
The 2025 QAPI goals and new focus areas were discussed. Metrics that are reported for monitoring per the state that do not have goals associated will be separated out once the new dashboard format for reporting has been implemented. The board reviewed and approved the 2025 QAPI goals.

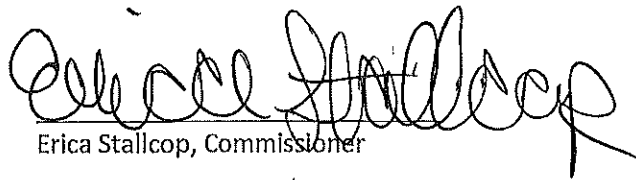
*A motion was made to approve the 2025 QAPI goals as presented
Moved by Mike Field and seconded by Jennifer Dixon
Motion approved and passed unanimously by vote*

Public Comment: None.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.


Steve Cannon, Chairman


Sherry Ledgerwood, Secretary



Erica Stallcop, Commissioner



Jennifer Dixon, Commissioner

Mike Field, Commissioner