



**Petersburg Borough
Petersburg Medical Center**

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg, AK 99833

**Meeting Minutes
Hospital Board
Regular Meeting**



Thursday, December 07, 2023

5:30 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call to Order

Member Cook called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

2. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

Motion made by Board Member Cushing, Seconded by Board Member Conn.
Voting Yea: Chairman Cook, Board Member Conn, Board Member Cushing, Board Member Lagoudakis, Board Member Stratman

3. Approval of Board Minutes

A. Approval of minutes for the October 26, 2023, board meeting.

This was tabled for the next board meeting because minutes were inadvertently not included in packet.

4. Visitor Comments

None.

5. Board Member Comments

Member Cook congratulated CEO Hofstetter for being awarded the Community Star Award, and thanked him for his efforts and commitment to the community.

6. Committee Reports

A. Resource

Member Cook attended and noted that patient days are up.

B. LTC

Member Cushing attended and noted that the solarium is back in use and residents are very happy to see that again. Residents are looking forward to Christmas events. No areas of concern were noted.

C. CAH

Member Stratman attended and noted that departments provided reports. No areas of concern were noted.

D. Joint Conference

Member Cook attended and noted that prioritizing mental health, AI and general discussion occurred.

7. Reports

A. Case Management/Swing Bed Management
E. Hart provided a written report.

B. Quality & Infection Prevention
S. Romine/J. Bryner provided a written report.

Member Cushing commented that she is happy to see the senior social club is starting next week, and that this will be a huge help to those in the community. Member Lagoudakis asked about estimates for initial attendees for the program. CEO Hofstetter shared that three people are signed up for the first sessions, a soft launch of the program, and that open houses will be on 12/12 and 12/14 at the location in the PIA building.

C. New Facility Update
Jay Farmwald, PMC project manager, provided an update, including:

WERC: 19K sq ft; main hospital 59K sq ft for a total of 77,700. Site work started in November, with earthwork ongoing and dependent on weather for scheduling. PMC received \$20M from the state and the team is meeting next week to discuss. The final design of the WERC building is expected this month. Construction of main hospital building is dependent on securing funding. Member Cushing asked about the next open house. This is expected to occur pending finalization of design, probably later in January.

D. Executive Summary
P. Hofstetter provided a written report. He provided additional information including: Our hearts go out to Wrangell and their landslide tragedy. The Assembly voted on the joint Borough/PMC work session to be on January 30 at 5:30 pm. He commended staff and first responders for their work and efforts related to the USCG accident. He commented that the Community star award is really a reflection on the programs that the staff are doing. Finances improving – very slowly, and audit work is still in

progress. The groundbreaking ceremony for the WERC building is at noon on Friday.

E. Financial

J. McCormick provided a written report. He provided additional information including: Financial statements were reviewed at the resource committee meeting. He thanked the Borough for providing \$75K from the COVID fund for COVID community testing. PMC expects \$229K from FEMA project for expenses related to COVID expenses from January 2021 through June 2022. PMC submitted another couple of projects related to COVID submitted to FEMA. Medicare is paying PMC the increased rates as a result of the rate review. Cost report information is expected at the next board meeting.

8. Old Business

9. New Business

- A. Board committee appointments – this will be revisited at the next board meeting pending input from Board Members Simbahon and Hasbrouck.

Quality Improvement: LTC: Member Cushing.

CAH: TBD based on further input.

Infection Control: Member Stratman

Resource Committee Members Cook, Lagadoukis, Conn

Joint Conference Committee: Board president (standing appointment)

Foundation Committee: Member Conn

Community Engagement: Members Cook, Cushing and third TBD based on further input.

Evaluation Committee: Members Cook, Cushing and third TBD based on further input.

Bylaws Committee Members Cook, Stratman and third TBD based on further input.

Kinder Skog Advisory Committee: TBD based on further input.

B. Board of Directors Letter of Support

Action Required: Approve letter of support for the construction of the new Petersburg Medical Center.

By motion, the Petersburg Medical Center Board of Directors approves the letter of support (enclosed in the packet) to be used related to new facility advocacy and fundraising initiatives.

Motion made by Board Member Cushing, Seconded by Board Member Lagoudakis. Voting Yea: Chairman Cook, Board Member Conn, Board Member Cushing, Board Member Lagoudakis, Board Member Stratman

10. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

By motion, the Board will enter into Executive Session to consider medical staff appointments/reappointments.

Motion made by Board Member Cushing, Seconded by Board Member Stratman. Voting Yea: Chairman Cook, Board Member Conn, Board Member Cushing, Board Member Lagoudakis, Board Member Stratman

The board came out of executive session and Member Cushing made a motion to reappoint to the medical staff Gregory Wolgamot, MD (Pathology). Seconded by Board Member Stratman. Voting Yea: Chairman Cook, Board Member Conn, Board Member Cushing, Board Member Lagoudakis, Board Member Stratman

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be January 18, 2023, in Assembly Chambers provided the venue is available.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.

Motion made by Board Member Stratman, Seconded by Board Member Cushing. Voting Yea: Chairman Cook, Board Member Conn, Board Member Cushing, Board Member Lagoudakis, Board Member Stratman