

- CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mary Mae Kilpatrick, Northern Inyo Healthcare District (NIHD) Board Chair.
- PRESENT Mary Mae Kilpatrick, Chair
Melissa Best-Baker, Vice Chair
Jean Turner, Secretary
Ted Gardner, Treasurer
Jody Veenker, Member-at-Large
Lionel Chadwick PhD, Interim Chief Executive Officer
Stephen DelRossi, MSA, Chief Financial Officer
Joy Engblade, MD, Chief Medical Officer
Allison Partridge RN, MSN, Chief Nursing Officer
- PUBLIC COMMENTS ON
CLOSED SESSION ITEMS Chair Kilpatrick announced at this time, persons in the audience may speak only on items listed on the Closed Session portion of this meeting. There were no public comments.
- ADJOURNMENT TO
CLOSED SESSION At 5:32, Chair Kilpatrick announced the meeting would adjourn to Closed Session to allow the District Board of Directors to:
- a. Discussion of Public Employment (Gov. Code § 54957(b)(1))
Title: CEO Candidate
 - b. Conference with Labor Negotiators, District Designated Representatives: HR Director; Employee Organization: AFSCME Council 57 (pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)
- RETURN TO OPEN
SESSION AND REPORT
ON ANY ACTION TAKEN
IN CLOSED SESSION At 7:10 p.m., the meeting returned to Open Session. Chair Kilpatrick reported the Board took no reportable action.
- OPPORTUNITY FOR
PUBLIC COMMENT Chair Kilpatrick announced the purpose of public comment is to allow members of the public to address the Board of Directors. The general Public Comment portion of the meeting allows the public to address any item within the jurisdiction of the Board of Directors on matters not appearing on the agenda, and speakers will be limited to a maximum of three minutes each. The Board of Directors is prohibited from generally discussing or taking action on items not included on the agenda for this meeting. Public comments on agenda items should be made at the time each item is considered. Public comments were heard from the following:
- Dr. Jeanine Arndal
 - Dr. Bo Loy
 - Dr. Martha Kim

NEW BUSINESS

AD HOC COMMITTEE
REPORTS

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to Ad Hoc Committee reports.

Jean Turner reported the Governance Committee completed their tasks in August and there is no current activity.

Chair Kilpatrick thanked the HR Committee for the hard work they have done.

Jody Veenker noted the full compliance report is in this meeting's Consent Agenda.

Finance Committee: no report

CHIEF EXECUTIVE
OFFICER REPORT

Chair Kilpatrick introduced the Chief Executive Officer Report. Interim CEO Chad Chadwick provided updates on the following items:

- Dr. Joy Englade, Chief Medical Officer, is leaving at the end of March. Dr. Stefan Schunk will be interim CMO through July, and Dr. Adam Hawkins will take on the permanent CMO position effective August 1, 2023.
- Interim CEO Chadwick gave a presentation to Bishop City Council on Monday night.
- Planning continues for Mr. Halfen's plaque.
- NIH and Mammoth Hospital Leadership teams met to discuss opportunities for cooperation.
- Eastern Sierra Cancer Alliance is having a Blue Ribbon Walk & Run on March 25th for Colorectal Cancer Awareness.
- Telestroke program is due to commence in May.
- Hospital Auxiliary donated \$10,000 toward the purchase of a nerve block locating device.

CHIEF FINANCIAL
OFFICER REPORT

Chair Kilpatrick introduced the Chief Financial Officer report. CFO DelRossi provided an overview of the financial and statistical reports.

It was motioned by Melissa Best-Baker to approve the financial and statistical reports, seconded by Jody Veenker and the motion passed 5-0.

CFO DelRossi introduced Andrea Mossman, Controller, who provided an update on RSM.

CFO DelRossi provided an update on the Turnaround Acton Group (TAG).

CFO DelRossi introduced discussion on the status of the last financial audit and asked for the Board's approval to seek out a new audit firm.

It was motioned by Jody Veenker to approve the search for a new audit firm, seconded by Melissa Best-Baker and the motion passed 5-0.

INTERIM CEO REMOTE
WORK DAYS

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to Interim CEO remote work days. Interim CEO Chadwick reported the following dates were approved for remote work in accordance with his agreement.

- 12/23/2022 – 12/30/2022
- 1/23/2023 – 1/27/2023
- 2/28/2023 – 3/2/2023
- 3/27/2023 – 3/31/2023

It was motioned by Jody Veenker to approve the listed Interim CEO remote work days, seconded by Jean Turner, and the motion passed 5-0.

INTERIM CEO CONTRACT
EXTENSION

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to Interim CEO Contract extension. A discussion took place and HR Director Alison Murray answered questions. Chair Kilpatrick stated the contract extension provides for \$7,500/week and allows for a work schedule of 20% onsite work through June 30, 2023.

It was motioned by Jody Veenker to approve the Interim CEO contract extension, seconded by Jean Turner, and the motion passed 5-0.

BOARD EDUCATION

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to Board Education. Noel Caughman, Best & Krieger, presented information on the relationship between the Governing Board and the Medical Staff.

SYMPLR CONTRACT
SOFTWARE

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to Symplr Contract software. Patty Dickson, Compliance Officer, presented information on the search for contract lifecycle management software. She reported they had received information on other potential software companies and were still researching the best purchase. She asked the Board to approve the purchase of the best product rather than approving a specific product at this time.

It was motioned by Melissa Best-Baker to authorize up to \$45,000 in the first year for the purchase of contract lifecycle management software, and not to exceed \$30,000/year in out years, seconded by Jody Veenker and the motion passed 5-0.

CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT

Chair Kilpatrick introduced Dr. Bourne who provided the Chief of Staff report.

Dr. Bourne introduced the medical staff appointments and asked if the Board had any questions.

Jody Veenker motioned to approve the medical staff appointments, Ted Gardner seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Bourne introduced the medical staff appointments by proxy credentialing and asked if the Board had any questions.

Jean Turner motioned to approve the medical staff proxy appointments, Melissa Best-Baker seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Bourne introduced the medical staff additional privileges.

Jean Turner motioned to approve the medical staff additional privileges, Melissa Best-Baker seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Bourne introduced the change in staff category.

Melissa Best-Baker motioned to approve the change in staff category, Jody Veenker seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Bourne called attention to the medical staff resignations and thanked the providers for their service.

Ted Gardner motioned to approve the medical staff resignations, Melissa Best-Baker seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Bourne introduced new privilege forms for Neurology and Nurse Practitioner - Psychiatry.

Jody Veenker motioned to approve the new privilege forms for Neurology and Nurse Practitioner - Psychiatry, Melissa Best-Baker seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Bourne provided an overview of the policy for approval.

a. Direct Notification of Abnormal Microbiology Findings

Jody Veenker motioned to approve the policy as written, Jean Turner seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

MEDICAL EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE REPORT

Dr. Bourne provided a report of the Medical Executive Committee meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to the consent agenda.

Jean Turner brought attention to a correction of the February 15, 2023 meeting minutes.

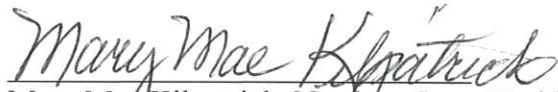
Jean Turner motioned to approve the Consent Agenda with the proposed correction, Melissa Best-Baker seconded, and the motion passed 4-0. Jody Veenker abstained from the February 15, 2023 Regular Board Meeting minutes because she was absent from that meeting.

REPORTS FORM BOARD
MEMBERS

Chair Kilpatrick opened up reports to Board Members.
Jean Turner reported she participated in her first ACHD Board meeting.
Chair Kilpatrick reported she has been working with the HR team, she judged the high school speech competition, and she attended the Pioneer Home Health Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment at 8:48 p.m.



Mary Mae Kilpatrick, Northern Inyo Healthcare
District, Chair

Attest:



Jean Turner, Northern Inyo Healthcare District,
Secretary