

GENESEE HEALTH SYSTEM
420 W. 5th Avenue
Flint, MI 48503
Board Room
Board of Directors Meeting
February 25, 2021
Via ZOOM

Board Members Present: K. McCree, *chair*, P. Alexander, W. Cole, M. Danic, E. Ellenburg, A. Reeves, and C. Winfrey

Board Members Absent: K. Boles, W. Coffell, and J. Johnson

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m.

- I. Adoption of Agenda
(Resolution 02-08-21)
Winfrey moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion carried

- II. Approval of Minutes
(Resolution 02-09-21)
Ellenburg moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2021 Board of Directors meeting as submitted.
Motion carried

- III. Public Participation
Spring Tremaine, Executive Director of Genesee County 9-1-1, gave a short presentation on the 9-1-1 Surcharge Renewal question on the May 4, 2021 ballot. They are requesting a renewal of the \$1.86 surcharge thru December 31, 2026. This funding is used to run the total operations of the Genesee County 9-1-1 Dispatch Authority, which is 100% funded by the surcharge. This includes funding the facilities, equipment, maintenance, and operating costs. The current surcharge legislation will sunset on December 31, 2021. Without a renewal of the surcharge, 9-1-1 operations will cease to operate in Genesee County. Genesee County 9-1-1 currently fields over 400,000 calls annually, and serves all police, fire, and ems operations in Genesee County, with the exception of Fenton, which does receive funding from this surcharge for their operations as well.

- IV. Consent Agenda
(Resolution 02-10-21)
Cole moved, Ellenburg supported the motion to approve the minutes under the consent agenda.
Motion carried

V. Finance Committee

Presented by A. Reeves, *Finance Committee chair*

(Resolution 02-11-21)

Cole moved, Ellenburg supported the motion to approve the January 2021 vouchers totaling \$9,512,858.72 as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 02-12-21)

Alexander moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve contract items 1-3 of the Finance Committee minutes.

Motion carried

VI. Chair Report

McCree presented an action item, an amendment to the GHS Board of Directors By-laws Article VI, Section 2, to include the following language regarding the GHS Consumer Council:

“Consumer Council – Herein called the CC. The purpose of the CC is to provide a forum for consumers, their families, and members of consumer advocacy and community groups to provide input regarding Genesee Health System (GHS) programs, policies, and procedures. The CC will regularly review data regarding informal and formal complaints and make recommendations to the Board of Directors about possible ways of preventing or reducing the number of complaints received.

The GHS Board Chair shall assign at least one member to attend CC meetings on a rotating basis, and shall review the minutes of the CC meetings under the Chair report at the regular Board of Directors meetings.”

The new language reflects the procedures already in place for members of the Consumer Council to bring concerns and policy suggestions to the attention of the Board of Directors.

(Resolution 02-13-21)

Cole moved, Ellenburg supported the motion to amend the GHS Board of Directors By-laws as presented.

Motion carried

McCree presented the March 2021 meeting calendar, and noted that the March meeting of the Recipient Rights Advisory Committee has been cancelled, and a meeting of the Corporate Compliance Committee has been added.

The Region 10 January minutes were also included in the packet for review. McCree noted that K. Boles has taken T. Bankert's position on the R10 board, and also a seat on a regulatory board.

McCree also asked for a volunteer to sit on the Genesee Community Health Center board. He is currently on the board, but his work schedule has changed and he no longer has the availability for their board meetings.

VII. Executive Director's Report

D. Russell stated PA 254 of 2020 is set to expire on March 31, 2021. We will monitor to see if it is renewed, or if we will have to begin holding in-person meetings again in April. We are looking at a change of venue since the size of the GHS Board room does not allow for social distancing.

GCHC is continuing to provide vaccinations to some of our vulnerable populations. They have administered vaccines to most of the homeless shelters, Whaley Children's Center, Odyssey House, and the Salvation Army. They are setting up vaccine programs for the AFCs as well. They also continue to operate walk-in Covid Testing at their Center Rd. location, which has been appreciated by the community.

The GHS millage campaign is going well. Russell has presented our millage proposal to many groups and we are getting a lot of positive responses. Unfortunately, local and national news are helping to make our case for the need for this millage. Reeves requested a set of talking points regarding the millage so board members can give consistent information when answering questions. Ellenburg requested a presentation for the Burton Chamber of Commerce.

Finally, Russell noted that although the Board has already approved the acceptance of a \$5.5M grant from the CS Mott Foundation, the resolution was made a while ago, so he asked for a new resolution for acceptance of the grant. Russell noted that Mott will provide this funding once all other funding is in place, and internal and external controls have been developed.

(Resolution 02-14-21)

Cole moved, Danic supported the motion to accept the \$5.5M grant from the CS Mott foundation for the new children's building project, and to authorize D. Russell to sign for the acceptance. Russell will bring this item back to the Board if there are any substantial changes to the grant terms.

Motion carried

VIII. Other Business

McCree noted that if the extension of PA 254 of 2020 does not pass, we may want to look at temporarily combining some of our meetings to lessen the number of times the board meets.

IX. Public Participation
None

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.
Submitted by Lisa Polmanteer, Executive Assistant