



University HOSPITAL

Newark, NJ

Community Oversight Board of Directors

Public Meeting

April 12, 2023

10:00 AM

Webex

University Hospital

Newark, New Jersey

Members Present: Diane Hill, PhD, Chair; Nicole K. Butler; MBA; William Holubek MD; Gary Huck; Ed Jimenez; Mary O'Dowd

Absent: John Gerow; Wendy Bobcombe, RN;

MINUTES

I. Call to Order and Opening Statement

Chairwoman Hill welcomed all in attendance, called the meeting to order and asked Ms. McKenzie Wilson to please read the Open Public Meeting Notice and take a roll call. With a quorum of members present, the meeting convened at 10:03am.

II. Patient Safety Story

Mr. Ed Jimenez, President and CEO, provided the patient safety story for the meeting. This story was about how University Hospital had received an email regarding how the University Hospital EMS team responded to a call of a patient who needed revival on the scene. The email echoed the amazing job that the EMS team did on arriving promptly to the scene, and how professional the members of the team were during the call. The team was able to revive the patient and the patient was brought to the hospital, for further care.

III. Report of the President and Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Ed Jimenez started off by highlighting the passing of Senator Ronald Rice, and explained how he was a champion for University Hospital throughout the years. He then went on to show the current turnover trends within the hospital and how the shortage in nursing staff was being handled by the hospital's administration. He then highlighted the hospital's amazing work in liver transplants and the survival rate of their patients.

IV. Public Comment

Chairwoman Hill opened the meeting for public comment and Ms. McKenzie Wilson, Corporate Secretary provided instructions for the public. There was no public comments made.



V. Review and Approval of Minutes

Chairwoman Hill accepted a motion to approve the minutes of February 22, 2023, meeting of the Community Oversight Board. The motion was made and duly seconded; the minutes were approved unanimously.

VI. Discussion Items and Presentations

A. Black Maternal Health Presentation

Dr. Lisa Gittens provided a presentation highlighting the initiatives that were taking place at University Hospital surrounding Black Maternal Health. She went on to highlight some of the data surrounding the issues of why black maternal health is plaguing our community and our nation. She then went on to highlight the work that the UH Interdisciplinary teams were conducting to combat these issues. The initiatives include, a hemorrhage work group, a hypertension work group, a high-risk pregnancy navigation program, and doula training programs.

B. Community Hospital Master Plan-Community Engagement Presentation

Ms. Brooke Tippens, Director of Community Affairs, provided a summary of the current progress in the Community Engagement Portion of the Master Plan for the new University Hospital. She explained the Brick-by-Brick campaign and provided the board with renderings of the potential new campus.

C. IST Technology and Digital Transformation at University Hospital Presentation

Mr. Paul Contino, Chief Information Officer, provided a presentation on some of the recent actions that University Hospital's IST Department had been doing. This included the refresh of current technology at the hospital, as well as the continued progression that University Hospital was undertaking with EPIC. He also explained the strategic investments that the hospital was about to take to enhance the current technologies at University Hospital. That included a modernization of the network infrastructure, an update to their billing system, the implementation of an enterprise resource planning program, and enhances in their cybersecurity program.

D. Safety and Culture Presentation

Ms. Patricia Rondan-Mann provided a presentation on the current Culture of Safety Survey at the hospital. This survey was to create an environment for the University Hospital Staff to have their voice heard, provide opportunities to identify errors, and to improve patient outcomes. The survey was currently taking place, and Ms. Rondan-Mann was excited to provide more feedback to the committee at a later date.



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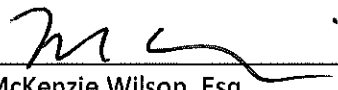
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VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:24am. The next meeting of the Community Oversight Board is scheduled for October 11, 2023, at 10:00am via Zoom.

CERTIFICATION

I, McKenzie Wilson, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary of University Hospital, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the Minutes of the Community Oversight Board of University Hospital's meeting conducted on April 12, 2023.



McKenzie Wilson, Esq.
Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

