



The Board of Directors of University Hospital

PUBLIC SESSION
January 23, 2018
10:00 a.m.

Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey
at University Hospital
205 South Orange Avenue, Board Room B-1120
Newark, New Jersey

Present: Robert L. Johnson, MD, FAAP, *Chair*; David H. Brody, MD; Annette Catino, MBA; Cecile A. Feldman, DMD, MBA; James M. Orsini, MD; Robert J. Rubino, MD; and Michael A. Curi, MD

Present Via Teleconference: Robert L. Barchi, MD, PhD; David T. Molowa, PhD; Brian L. Strom, MD, MPH

Excused: Tanya L. Freeman, Esq.; Keith H. Green

I. Opening

Chairman Johnson opened the meeting with University Hospital's statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and the New Jersey Medical and Health Sciences Education Restructuring Act.

At the direction of Chairman Johnson, Ms. Tammy Robinson conducted a roll call. With a quorum of members present, the meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chairman Johnson presented the minutes of the November 11, 2017 meeting of the Board of Directors for approval. Chairman Johnson accepted a motion to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved with all in favor and none opposed.

III. Report of the Chairman of the Board

As the new Chairman of the Board, Chairman Johnson provided a brief account of his fifty-year history and tenure at New Jersey Medical School and University Hospital. Chairman Johnson

noted that throughout its various iterations, the Hospital has remained a resource for the community and a forerunner for clinical education. Looking to the future, Chairman Johnson stated that the changing landscape of healthcare requires a greater focus and involvement with the community, multi-professional healthcare providers, and innovative methods to continue providing high-level care.

IV. Report of the President and CEO

Mr. John N. Kastanis reported that the Hospital will celebrate the 50th anniversary of its collaboration with the medical school on July 1, 2018, remarking on the decades of challenges and victories.

Recruitment remains a priority for enhancing critical service lines, launching new and rejuvenated programs, and filling previously vacant positions. An application for recertification of the Liver Transplant program was recently submitted with James V. Guarrera, MD, FACS as the new Program and Surgical Director. In addition, Barbara Karpinska was recently named Vice President of Ambulatory Care Services and Donna “Lee” Clark was named Executive Director of Perioperative Services. The Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey at University Hospital now has a dedicated Director and the new vascular Wound Care Center is set to debut in the coming months.

In December, Mr. Kastanis hosted a series of employee forums to update employees on new developments throughout the Hospital, as well as to hear their comments and suggestions took place in December. In addition, the Hospital concluded an employee survey in early January. Finally, a new initiative, “My Hospital Hero,” was recently introduced by The Foundation for University Hospital. This program enables both patients and employees to honor Hospital staff through a donation. In the program’s first month, fourteen Hospital Heroes were recognized.

V. Committee Reports and Action Items

A. Report of the Finance, Investment, Administration, and Audit Committee

Chair, Ms. Annette Catino, MBA

Upon recommendation of the Finance, Investment, Administration, and Audit (“FIAA”) Committee, Ms. Catino requested that the Board accept and approve: a) the October 2017 University Hospital Financial Statement; and b) the November 2017 University Hospital Financial Statement. The Board accepted and approved the financial statements unanimously.

Ms. Catino reported that Fitch Ratings affirmed the ‘BBB’ rating and stable outlook for the Hospital. She briefly reported that the Governance, Ethics and Legal Committee, acting on behalf of the Board, accepted and approved the Financial Statement of June 30, 2017. The statement includes a significant change in accounting principles which requires University Hospital’s and Broadway House’s financial statements to be consolidated into one report. The Board unanimously accepted and ratified the Financial Statement of June 30, 2017.

B. Report of the Governance, Ethics and Legal Committee

Chair, Ms. Tanya Freeman, Esq.

In Ms. Freeman's stead, Mr. Paul Matey presented upon recommendation of the Governance, Ethics and Legal ("GEL") Committee to accept and ratify Resolution No. 2017-1211-55 for Nuance Communications, Inc. The resolution was unanimously accepted and ratified.

C. Medical Liaison Committee

Chair, Dr. James M. Orsini, MD

Upon recommendation of the Medical Liaison ("ML") Committee, Dr. Orsini requested that the Board accept and approve the ML Committee Minutes of December 19, 2017. The Board accepted and approved the minutes unanimously.

Upon recommendation of the ML Committee, Dr. Orsini requested that the Board accept and approve: a) the Medical Executive Committee Minutes of October 23, 2017; and b) the Medical Executive Committee Minutes of November 28, 2017. The Board accepted and approved the minutes unanimously.

Upon recommendation of the ML Committee, Dr. Orsini requested that the Board accept and approve: a) the Credentials Committee Minutes of October 9, 2017; b) the Credentials Committee Minutes of November 13, 2017; and c) the Credentials Committee Minutes of December 11, 2017. The Board accepted and approved the minutes unanimously.

Upon recommendation of the ML Committee, Dr. Orsini requested that the Board accept and approve: a) the Medical Executive Committee Actions of December 19, 2017; and b) the Medical Executive Committee Actions of January 17, 2018. The Board accepted and approved the actions unanimously.

C. Report of the Quality of Care Committee

Chair, Dr. David H. Brody, MD

Upon recommendation of the Quality of Care ("QOC") Committee, Dr. Brody requested that the Board accept and approve: a) the QOC Committee Minutes of October 25, 2017; and b) the QOC Committee Minutes of November 21, 2017. The Board accepted and approved the minutes unanimously.

In a brief review, Dr. Brody provided an update on the Quality Department's Table of Organization, the State and The Joint Commission requirements for patient safety events, and inpatient fall prevention.

VI. Public Comment

Chairman Johnson noted that all business of the Board was completed and opened the meeting for public comment. There were no requests for public comment.

VII. Executive Session

Chairman Johnson accepted a motion for the Board to convene in Executive Session to review matters falling within the attorney-client privilege and such other matters as may be discussed in executive session, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the public meeting of the Board of Directors of University Hospital adjourned at 10:57 a.m. The next Meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., in the Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey at University Hospital located at 205 South Orange Avenue, Room B-1120, Newark, New Jersey.