**Community Oversight Board of Directors**

Public Meeting

June 26, 2024

10:00 AM

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University Hospital

Newark, New Jersey

**Members Present:** Diane Hill, PhD, Chair; Nicole K. Butler; MBA; Gary Huck; Ed Jimenez; Mary O’Dowd; Wendy Bobcombe, RN;

**Absent:** John Gerow; Dr.Iris Herrera

**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 10:04am.

**II. Patient Safety Story**

Mr. Ed Jimenez, President & CEO, provided a patient safety story about the dedication and hard

work of the staff at University Hospital. He had recently received an email from a patient’s DOULA who had explained that she was contacted by the University Hospital staff when her patient had gone into labor. The DOULA was provided access to the patient from the University Hospital staff and was welcomed with open arms. The DOULA had explained that recently she had some issues with other institutions, and that she wanted to make sure that she highlighted the great work that was being done at University Hospital.

 **III. Discussion Items and Presentations**

1. *Men’s Health Summit Presentation- Dr. Marc Klapholz*

Dr. Marc Klapholz provided a summary of the 1st Annual Men’s Health Summit that had taken place on June 8th, 2024. The summit provided information for men in the Newark community to learn about potential health issues that many men face. There was a discussion by University Hospital Medical professionals and health screenings were also provided to those in attendance. The event was in partnership with the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and the Newark City Council.

1. *1st Community Health and Wellness Center Presentation-Mr. Mike Lieb*

 Mr. Mike Lieb provided a summary of the UH Community Health and Wellness Center within the Georgia King Village project. Mr. Lieb provided information on the recently opened Center, including a slide on the grand opening that is going to take place on July 1st, 2024. He explained that the NJ Department of Health had provided their approval for clinical services, and that the Center was going to start as a Family Practice Clinic in the beginning, and then sub-specialties can be added if there is a demand for it. He closed by providing the information and hours of operation for the center.

1. *University Hospital Community Pharmacy Presentation- Jalice Speed, Regional Director of Operations, Shields Pharmacy Management*

 Ms. Jalice Speed provided a summary of the new University Hospital Commercial Community Pharmacy that is located on the University Hospital campus. She explained the advantages of having the pharmacy right on the campus and what the pharmacy does for its patients. She then went on to introduce the staff who work at the pharmacy, as well as the hours of operation. She then explained how the pharmacy was located within the hospital’s EPIC system so that medications could be ordered directly to the pharmacy for patients when they are outside the hospital.

 **IV. Report of the President and Chief Executive Officer**

Mr. Ed Jimenez provided a presentation on multiple topics that are currently going on at University Hospital. These topics included an update on the hospital’s recently released Leapfrog score, an update on the current quality and patient safety data, an update on the infusion center expansion project, the current data patient volume data throughout the hospital, and the status of University Hospital’s implementation of the master plan project.

 **V. Review and Approval of Minutes**

Chairwoman Hill accepted a motion to approve the minutes of February 28, 2024, meeting of the Community Oversight Board. The motion was made and duly seconded; the minutes were approved unanimously.

 **VI. Public Comment**

Chairwoman Hill opened the meeting for public comment and Ms. McKenzie Wilson, Corporate Secretary provided instructions for the public. The main topic of the public comment period was the discussion surrounding the recently discussed community clinic, as well as the current situation with the hospital in East Orange.

 **VII. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:31am. The next meeting of the Community Oversight Board is scheduled for November 6, 2024, 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 June 26, 2024.

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Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary