

Palomar Pomerado Health
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Palomar Medical Center, Graybill Auditorium, Escondido
Monday, December 15, 2003

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	CONCLUSIONS/ACTION	FOLLOW-UP/RESPONSIBLE PARTY
CALL TO ORDER	6:02 pm		
OPENING CEREMONY	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison, followed by an inspirational reading by Chaplain Hard (<i>attached</i>).		
MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT	Director Krider		
	<p>The PPH mission and vision statements were read by Director Krider, as follows:</p> <p><i>The mission of Palomar Pomerado Health is to heal, comfort and promote health in the communities we serve.</i></p> <p><i>The vision is that PPH will have the highest patient satisfaction in California.</i></p>		
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	Bassett, Berger, Kleiter, Krider, Larson, Rivera, Scofield		
NOTICE OF MEETING	Notice of Meeting was mailed consistent with legal requirements		
PUBLIC COMMENTS	None		
APPROVAL OF MINUTES			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 20, 2003 Joint Board & Strategic Planning Meeting 		<p>MOTION: by Kleiter, 2nd by Scofield and carried unanimously that the minutes of the November 20, 2003 Joint Board & Strategic Planning Meeting be approved as submitted.</p>	
CONSENT AGENDA		<p>MOTION: by Bassett, 2nd by Scofield and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.</p>	
PRESENTATION			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Crusade Study 	Barbara Buesch, RN, BSN Quality Management, introduced Dr. Robert Stein who		

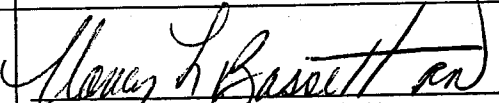
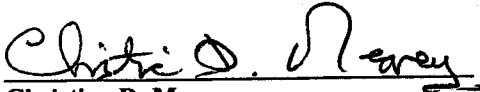
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance Report – Annual Evaluation including 4th Qtr FY 03 and 1st Qtr FY 04 	<p>Jim Neal, Director of Corporate Compliance and Integrity, provided for Board information, a verbal report and slide presentation for the Annual Evaluation Compliance Report, including 4th Qtr FY 2003 and 1st Qtr FY 2004. FY 04 Goals were reviewed and in Summary the compliance program remains a dynamic evolving program and we are establishing ethical collateral.</p> <p>Regarding our program effectiveness, Attorney Paul DeMuro commented that our current compliance program is doing a fine job, there can always be improvement, but that the program is as good as in many other hospital systems. In response to a question from Director Krider, Mr. Neal replied that Compliance and QA staff work well together. Chairman Larson then thanked Mr. Neal for his informative report and was gratified by his passion and thoroughness.</p>		
REPORTS			
Medical Staff			
Palomar Medical Center			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Credentialing 	<p>Duane Buringrud, MD, Chief of Staff presented PMC's requests for approval of Credentialing Recommendations.</p>	<p>MOTION: by Scofield, 2nd by Kleiter and carried to approve the PMC Medical Staff Executive Committee credentialing recommendations for the PMC Medical Staff, as presented. None opposed. Directors Larson and Rivera abstained to avoid potential conflict of interest.</p>	<p>It was noted that credentials can be for members of a combined medical group or sub-specialty or, based on the credentialing of a particular member.</p> <p>Attorney Paul DeMuro was asked to put this into writing for the Orientation packet.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Increase in Application/ 	<p>Duane Buringrud, MD, presented PMC's</p>	<p>MOTION: by Scofield, 2nd by</p>	

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<p>Regulations</p>	<p>Orthopaedic Surgery/Rehabilitation Rules and Regulations, Emergency Department Consultation Policy. The revision is intended to insure that patients who present to the ED are able to be seen locally for follow-up care. Revision was reviewed by legal counsel.</p> <p>Discussion ensued between the Board and Dr. Buringrud regarding patient care and safety and that some patients live outside our area. PMC Executive Committee felt that patients acquired by taking emergency call should be seen locally (within an approximately 15 minutes drive of PMC) to provide readily available follow-up care without undue delay by other physicians who may be outside the area.</p> <p>Director Rivera was concerned about the arbitrary nature of 15 minutes in a district that is 800 square miles and what that means for patients in outlying areas. Further discussion ensued and Attorney Paul DeMuro was asked to get back to Dr. Buringrud on the matter. Chairman Larson felt that there could be big reimbursements for Ortho/Trauma patients whereby medical coverage from outside areas such as Los Angeles/Riverside could adversely impact us and we may be unable to provide good local follow-up care.</p> <p>As this was Dr. Buringrud's last meeting during his tenure as PMC Chief of Staff, he was sincerely thanked by Chairman Larson for his attendance and input at Board meetings.</p>		
<p>Escondido Surgery Center</p>			
<p>▪ Credentialing</p>	<p>L. Richard Greenstein, MD, Medical Director, presented requests for approval of Credentials</p>	<p>MOTION: by Scofield, 2nd by Kleiter and carried to approve the</p>	

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	Raymond. The Annual Fall Appeal was successful and raised over \$59,000 from employees.		

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	<p>Treasurer Chairman Larson noted that this position will probably be held by the Chairman of the Finance Committee for 2004. Outcome to be awaited.</p>		
<p>President and CEO</p>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commendations 	<p>Michael Covert acknowledged Duane Buringrud, MD and George Kung, MD, each of whom had provided counsel and leadership for their respective medical staffs during their tenures. He also acknowledged Mr. Jim Neal, Director of Compliance and Integrity, noting that he and Jim Neal meet on a monthly basis with the Board Chairman, Legal Counsel regarding compliance matters and that it is good to have Mr. Neal in this role.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 2003 Values in Action Recipient 	<p>Michael Covert announced that the Values in Action recipient for November 2003, was Lorie Harmon, Assistant to Marcia Jackson in the Planning and Marketing Department. Ms Jackson then introduced Ms Harmon to the Board stating that Ms Harmon had done an excellent job and was always willing to assist in whatever way she could and was deserving of this award. It was noted that a new Vision Statement is in process which incorporates input from former Employees of the Month.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goals FY 2004 Update 	<p>Michael Covert introduced Marcia Jackson to present the FY 2004 Goals Update to the Board. Ms. Jackson, in conjunction with Gerald Bracht, Bob Hemker, Elizabeth Renfree, Lorie Shoemaker, Gil Taylor and Dr. Tesoro then reported via overheads (<i>attached</i>).</p> <p>Michael Covert stated that there will be continual updates via respective committees or board meetings in this regard with additional information provided by him if necessary.</p>		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSUSM Extended Studies – Requested Funding for Nursing Refresher Program 	<p>Director Rivera relayed to the Board the information from Finance Committee whereby CSUSM has developed a proposal for consideration by area hospitals to participate in a two-year funding commitment to ensure the continuity of the Nurse Refresher Program. The full two-year cost is \$300,000 to fund the program. CSUSM request a two-year commitment from PPH of \$60,000 per year, or a total of \$120,000. The funding commitment would ensure 10 spots per session for PPH return-to-work nurses. Other hospitals had also received such a proposal. CSUSM expects the program to be self-sustaining at the end of two years.</p> <p>The Committee had inquired if additional funding over the \$60,000 would result in additional spots allocated to PPH. Since they are considered scholarships from PPH, the answer was affirmative. As a result, the Committee deemed a higher level of participation appropriate.</p>	<p>MOTION: By Bassett, 2nd by Kleiter and unanimously carried that an amount of up to \$100,000 per year for each of two (2) years for funding of the program be approved. Unanimously carried.</p>	<p>Director Rivera cautioned about this being only a \$60,000 per year request, and asked that the CEO follow up on the matter.</p>
<p>BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH</p>	<p>Chairman Larson stated that he was very honored and privileged to have been asked to serve as Chair again for 2004 and he had enjoyed working with the Board and being involved in the Board's Annual Self-Evaluation. He believes it to be possibly one of the best cohesive boards there has been. Director Scofield concurred. He continued that everyone will be learning their various Board oversight functions and thanked everyone for their confidence.</p> <p>In retrospect, Chairman Larson acknowledged our recently hired legal counsel, and the work undertaken by Christine Meaney as Assistant</p>		

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SIGNATURES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board Secretary ▪ Board Assistant 	 <hr/> Nancy L. Bassett, R.N., M.B.A.  <hr/> Christine D. Meaney		