



Peninsula Health Care District

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING
Thursday, January 29, 2009**

The Board of Directors of the Peninsula Health Care District was called to order for Special Session on Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 16:00 hours, at the Hyatt Regency, Sandpebble Room A, in Burlingame, California.

ROLL CALL: On roll call there were present, Don Newman, MD, Chair, Dan Ulyot, MD, Vice Chair, Helen Galligan, RN, Secretary, and Rick Navarro, MD, Director. Sue Smith, CPA, Treasurer was present via teleconferencing.

Also present were: Cheryl A. Fama, Chief Executive Officer, Colin J. Coffey, General Legal Counsel, and Jan Matejcik, District Administrative Assistant.

CONSENT CALENDAR: The Consent Calendar consisting of the minutes for the December 4, 2008 Regular Meeting and the unaudited Financial Statements for November and December 2008 were presented.

Director Ulyot moved and Director Navarro seconded the motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Pat Giorni, Burlingame reported to the Board that Ms. Fama gave a good presentation to the Burlingame City Council meeting on January 22. Ms. Giorni provided the website information for the Directors so that they might visit the site to see the videotaped presentation. [<http://www.burlingame.org/Index.aspx?page=1306>]

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Chair Newman invited Dr. Renee Navarro to come up front and administer the Oath of Office to Director Dr. Ricardo Navarro. Chair Newman then invited Mr. Sarkis Sarkisian up to administer the Oath of Office to Director Dr. Daniel Ulyot. Certificates from the county's Elections Officer, Warren Slocum, were presented to Directors Navarro and Ulyot. The documents formally acknowledged that both Directors, having not been opposed in the 2008 election, were duly reaffirmed for their second, 4-year terms of office.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

CHAIR:

Chair Newman opened the nominations for Chair of the Board of Directors. He then turned the gavel and meeting over to Vice Chair Ulyot. Director Newman nominated Director Ulyot to

serve as Chair. There were no other nominations. Chair Newman resumed chairing the meeting and, there being no further names presented, closed the nominations.

It was moved by Director Newman and seconded by Director Galligan to appoint Director Dan Ullyot as Chair of the Board of Directors. The motion passed unanimously.

VICE-CHAIR:

Chair Newman opened the nominations for Vice Chair of the Board of Directors. Director Ullyot nominated Director Rick Navarro. There being no further names presented, Chair Newman closed the nominations.

It was moved by Director Ullyot and seconded by Director Galligan that Director Rick Navarro be appointed to the position of Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER:

Chair Newman opened the nominations for Treasurer. Director Navarro nominated Director Sue Smith. There being no further names presented, the nominations were closed.

Director Navarro moved and Director Galligan seconded the motion to appoint Sue Smith as Treasurer of the Board of Directors. The motion passed unanimously.

SECRETARY:

Chair Newman opened the nominations for Secretary. Director Ullyot nominated Director Helen Galligan. There being no further names presented, the nominations were closed.

Director Ullyot moved and Director Navarro seconded that Director Galligan be appointed to Secretary of the Board of Directors. The motions passed unanimously.

REMARKS FROM THE RETIRING BOARD CHAIR:

Director Newman's remarks: *We now have all our officers in place and at this point I get to say goodbye as Chair and to thank the Board and to thank the public for a number of years of fun and excitement. I think we have a wonderful Board here and a wonderful slate of Officers. This Board helped to get [the new hospital] going up north of here. It is something that this Board can be very proud of and certainly something that I am pleased to have been a part of. It's been a very exciting time for me as I have been in this medical community for the past forty-five years. Seeing the new hospital go up is a culmination of my professional career. I thank the public and I do thank my Board; and now I will turn this gavel over to our new Chair.*

Chair Ullyot thanked Director Newman for his years of leadership. *I would like to acknowledge his leadership. His are very big shoes for me to try to fill. He's had a remarkable influence going back to several years of negotiations, culminating in "The Agreements" between the District and Mills-Peninsula. He was helped in that effort with Sue Smith at his side and Colin Coffey, and that has resulted in a new hospital of which we are all very proud. I want to thank*

Don - you have been an inspirational leader and we are very, very lucky to have worked under your leadership. I have here for you a little token of our esteem.

He then presented Director Newman with a plaque and read the inscription: *Donald E. Newman, M.D., Chair of the Board of Directors, Peninsula Health Care District, January 2003 – January 2009, – In recognition and appreciation for you and your leadership, commitment, and humor.*

Director Newman thanked his colleagues again.

NEW BUSINESS:

BOARD RESOLUTIONS TO HONOR COMMUNITY LEADERS:

Chair Ullyot referenced Tab D in the Board materials that had been distributed previous to the meeting. Four draft resolutions were presented:

1. Resolution 2009-01: In appreciation to Donald Newman, for his Board Chair leadership during a critical six-year period in the history of the District; specifically the negotiations with MPHS/Sutter Health. During these negotiations, Dr. Newman maintained productive, respectful relationships with the MPHS leaders, advocated on behalf of the taxpayers, brought charm and humor to the process, which resulted in the 50-year “Agreements” that are building a new, state-of-the-art hospital on District land. Chair Ullyot read the content in its entirety to honor Director Newman and his service.
2. Resolution 2009-02: In appreciation to Congresswoman Jackie Speier for her contributions to our community’s health; especially her work during negotiations with Sutter Health on behalf of the District and its residents.
3. Resolution 2009-03: In appreciation to Assemblyman Jerry Hill for his contributions to the creation of the Children’s Health Initiative, co-chairing the Blue Ribbon Task Force on expansion of adult health coverage, and successful District negotiations with Sutter Health.
4. Resolution 2009-04: In appreciation to Supervisor Carole Groom for her contributions to the community’s health on behalf of MPHS and the District’s hospital during her 18 years as the MPHS Vice President for Community Relations.

It was moved by Director Ullyot, seconded by Director Navarro to approve the Board Resolutions as presented. The motion passed.

CALPERS SUPPLEMENTAL INCOME 457 PLAN:

Director Smith referred the Directors to the material found under Tab E in the meeting packet. She summarized the earlier Board decision to authorize the CEO to pursue retirement benefits, the complications in this process due to the District’s previous history with the CalPERS Pension Plan [Prior to 1985], and that the 457 Plan is the government equivalent to a 401 Plan for non-governmental employers. She then explained the importance of the timing on this agenda item relative to pursuing CalPERS’ health benefits for the employees before the annual renewal of the current California Choice coverage up for renewal by April 1, 2009. CalPERS health benefits were estimated by Robert Mackler of Pacific Health Alliance, to be 40% less cost for the District. Director Smith stated that the draft resolution is a standard CalPERS requirement and approval by the Board authorizes CalPERS to administer the plan. There is no cost to the

District; however, she suggested that the Board may want to discuss an employer contribution at a future time.

Chair Ulyot asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board. There were none. He asked if there were any public comments; there were none.

Director Newman moved and Director Navarro seconded that Resolution 2009-05, Approving Adoption of California Public Employee's Deferred Compensation Plan be approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

In the interest of time and our gala, which is going to occur right after the meeting, Chair Ulyot deferred items C and D, under New Business, until our next Board meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chair Ulyot noted the correspondence in the meeting packet and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Ulyot at 16:35 hours. He noted that the District's Community Partners Event would be starting at 17:00 hours across the lobby.

By:

Jan Matejcek, Administrative Assistant

Approved:

Helen C. Galligan, Secretary

Daniel J. Ulyot, M.D., Chair