

**North Dakota Hospital Association**

**Annual Member and Business Meeting Minutes**

**October 1, 2019**

**Holiday Inn, Fargo**

**Members Present**:

Keith Heuser, Market President, CHI Mercy Health, Valley City and CHI Lisbon Hospital, Lisbon

Brad Wehe, CEO, Altru Health System, Grand Forks

Mike Delfs, President/CEO, Jamestown Regional Medical Center, Jamestown

Theo Stoller, CEO, Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center, Elgin

Mariann Doeling, CEO, CHI St. Alexius Health Carrington Medical Center, Carrington

Jeff Herman, CEO, Prairie St. John’s, Fargo

Marcus Lewis, CEO, First Care Health Center, Park River

Robert Black, CEO, Linton Hospital, Linton

Nikki Johnson, Administrator/CEO, Cooperstown Medical Center, Cooperstown

Jac McTaggart, Senior Director, Sanford Hillsboro Medical Center, Hillsboro, and Sanford Mayville Medical Center, Mayville

Pete Antonson, CEO, Northwood Deaconess Health Center, Northwood

Alan O’Neil, CEO, Unity Medical Center, Grafton

Darrold Bertsch, CEO, Sakakawea Medical Center, Hazen

Dan Kelly, CEO, McKenzie County Healthcare Systems, Watford City

Bev Vilhauer, CEO, Wishek Hospital, Wishek

Jeff Stanley, CEO, Cavalier County Memorial Hospital, Langdon

Ben Bucher, CEO, Towner County Medical Center, Cando, and Mountrail County Medical Center, Stanley

Tod Graeber, Administrator, CHI St. Alexius Health Garrison, Garrison, and CHI St. Alexius Health Community Memorial Hospital, Turtle Lake,

Andrew Lankowicz, President, CHI St. Alexius Health Devils Lake Hospital, Devils Lake

Kurt Schley, President/CEO, of CHI St. Alexius Health, Bismarck

Eric Heupel, CEO, Ashley Medical Center, Ashley

Matt Shahan, Administrator/CEO, West River Health Services, Hettinger

Nat White, Executive Vice President, Sanford Health, Fargo

Jody Nelson, Administrator/CEO, St. Luke’s Medical Center, Crosby

Steve Forde, Administrator, Nelson County Health System, McVille

**Others Present**: Tim Blasl, Callen Cermak, Melissa Hauer, Lori Schmautz, Kim Granfor, John Schreier, Dan Gannon, John Flink, Jen Porter, Angie Svihovec, Marnie Walth, Barb Anderson, Bruce Viessman, Dan Olson, Dave Molmen, Susan Mau Larson, Pam Sagness and Reed Reyman.

The Annual Member and Business Meeting of the North Dakota Hospital Association (NDHA) was called to order at 1:47 p.m. (CT) by Keith Heuser, NDHA Board Chair, at the Holiday Inn, Fargo, ND on October 1, 2019. A quorum of members was present.

**Award Presentations**:

* Jen Porter, the American Hospital Association (AHA) Region VI Executive, presented the AHA Grassroots Champion Award to Dave Molmen, Executive Director of Advocacy for Altru Health System. Susan Mau Larson, Director Public Affairs, LifeSource, presented the North Dakota Partner Award to Essentia Health, Fargo.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Heuser presented to the membership for approval the minutes of the October 9, 2018, Annual Member and Business Meeting. Upon a motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the October 9, 2018 minutes were approved.

**Reports:**

* The NDHA Board Chair report was given by Mr. Heuser
* The President’s report was presented by Tim Blasl, President
* The NDHA 2019-2020 Budget was presented by Callen Cermak, Finance Manager
* The Legislative Report was given by Mr. Blasl and Melissa Hauer, General Counsel/VP.
* Proposed amendments to the NDHA Bylaws were presented by Ms. Hauer. Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and adopted, the proposed amendments to the NDHA Bylaws were approved.
* The North Dakota Hospital Foundation (NDHF) report was presented by Theo Stoller, NDHF Board Chair.
* The Hospital Services, Inc. (HSI) report was given by Kim Granfor, Vice President.
* The GPO report was presented by John Schreier, Director of Supply Chain.
* The American Hospital (AHA) Advocacy report was presented by Ms. Porter
* A Washington D.C. update was presented by John Flink, NDHA Federal Advocacy Consultant.

**Presentation**: Pam Sagness, Behavioral Health Director, North Dakota Department of Human Services gave an overview of the state’s behavioral health system project.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business and upon a motion duly made, seconded, and adopted, the Annual Member and Business Meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m. (CT).

Lori Schmautz

Recording Secretary