



## **NHCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**October 14, 2021 at 6 p.m.**

**Via Zoom**

**MINUTES**

### Board Members in Attendance:

- Edward Farbenblum, Chairman of the NHCC Board
- Linda Reed, Board Member
- Jan Figueira, Board Member
- Warren Zysman, Board Member
- Dr. Bobby Kalotee, Board Member
- Ajit K. Abraham, Board Member
- Soraya Campbell, Esq., Board Member
- Frank J. Saracino, Board Member
- Steve Cohn, Esq., Board Member
- John Sardelis, Dr.PH, Board Member

### Board Members Not in Attendance:

- Martin Glennon, Esq., Board Member
- Eva Pearson, Board Member
- Waylyn Hobbs, Jr., Board Member
- Russell Caprioli, Board Member
- Victor Gallo, Board Member
- Giuseppe Caruso, Board Member

### NUMC Attendance:

- Dr. Anthony Boutin, CEO/CMO/ EVP
- John Donnelly, EVP/COO
- Megan Ryan, EVP/CLO/General Counsel
- Richard Rank, Director of Finance
- Janice Pateres, EVP/CNO

## **I. Call to Order**

Chairman Farbenblum called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

## **II. Roll Call**

Ms. Ryan did a roll call and noted there was a quorum to proceed. The quorum was made up of the following (voting) Board members:

1. Edward Farbenblum, Esq
2. Steve Cohn, Esq.
3. Linda Reed
4. Dr. Bobby Kalotee
5. Warren Zysman
6. Jan Figueira
7. Soraya Campbell
8. Ajit Abraham

## **III. Public Comment**

- Robert Harris (CSEA representative to be present at the meetings for the future plans of NHCC; public comment be moved to the end of the session)

Chairman Farbenblum replied that as to the first request of having a CSEA representative at meetings regarding future plans for NHCC, he would be happy to accommodate that request. He also stated that with regard to the second request he would send an email out to get input from the other Board members regarding moving public comment back to the end of the agenda. He also noted that it was a CSEA request to move Public Comment to the beginning of the meeting and that it used to be at the end.

## **IV. Chairman's Remarks**

Chairman Farbenblum's remarks included:

- NUMC passed the Joint Commission survey without any conditionals in the past week
- Kick-off meeting with FreedMaxick in the past week

## **V. Report by Chief Executive Officer**

Dr. Boutin's report included:

- Vaccine mandate was implemented with religious and medical exemptions granted
- Passed Joint Commission survey
- Kick-off meeting with FreedMaxick for executive staff
- Chairman Farbenblum working diligently to finish a NIFA response
- NHCC is on track and on budget for this year
- Average daily census is up at both NUMC and AHP
- Case mix index is up from last month
- Increased volume in the Emergency Department
- Ambulatory surgery volume is up
- New program at AHP is above budget
- Successful open house at NUMC and AHP – recruited about 200 personnel
- Working with union to increase rates to incentivize staff
- Looking to hire new graduates in nursing and clinical staff
- Ongoing discussions with outside physician group for the IPA
- Some capital projects in the hospital already underway

## **VI. Report by Chief Legal Officer**

Ms. Ryan's report included:

- Collection of \$25,000 by the Legal Department in no-fault fees since the last Board meeting
- Two grants for breast cancer screening received - \$5,000 from Senator Brooks and \$7,000 from Senator Thomas – strictly to pay for mammograms for patients who cannot afford it

## **VII. Approvals**

### 1. Approval of Full Board Minutes (9/13/2021)

**Action:** Dr. Kalotee made a motion and Mr. Cohn seconded. All were in favor and the vote was unanimous.

### 2. Approval of Legal & Audit Minutes (9/13/2021)

**Action:** Dr. Kalotee made a motion and Ms. Campbell seconded. All were in favor and the vote was unanimous.

3. Approval of Resolutions

**Action:** Dr. Kalotee made a motion and Ms. Campbell seconded. All were in favor and the vote was unanimous.

4. Approval of MPAC Minutes (8/5/2021)

**Action:** Ms. Reed made a motion and Mr. Cohn seconded. All were in favor and the vote was unanimous.

**VIII. Finance Committee Report**

1. Financial Statements – July 2021

Mr. Rank presented his report.

There was a discussion and Dr. Kalotee raised questions regarding Billing and asked Richard Rank to follow up with him.

**IX. Motion to Adjourn**

There being no further business to discuss, Dr. Kalotee made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Cohn seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Dated: October 18, 2021



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Edward Farbenblum, Esq., Chairman  
Board of Directors, NHCC