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The regular monthly meeting of the Newberg Community Hospital Commission was held in the Conference Room of the hospital on Tuesday, March 27, 1979. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Bob Hurford, at 6:00 P. M. with Andy Anderson, Bill Dolan, Virginia Ostlund, Joe Plews, Ernie Smith, Don Tarlow and Don Wilson present. Also present were Mayor Elvern Hall, Dr. Stan Kern, Chief of Staff, Agnes Haugen, Director of Nursing, Terry Mahr, City Attorney, Patti Renne, President of the Hospital Auxiliary, Dr. Leonard Silvers, Hank Lewis, H. C. F. C., and Justine Pfeiffer and Milt Robins of the administration.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and the February financial statement was discussed.

Hank Lewis reported that there had been \$27,000.00 deposited from the fund drive. Don Wilson reported that the contract with Health Care Financial Consultants terminated on Friday, March 30, but that he had contacted Jim Moniz in an attempt to persuade him to extend it a few weeks. A motion was made by Andy Anderson that Bob Hurford, Joe Plews, Don Wilson and Terry Mahr meet with Jim Moniz sometime the week of April 1st-7th in an effort to negotiate a continuation of the contract. Seconded by Ernie Smith and passed.

A motion was made by Ernie Smith that the application for staff membership of Paul W. L. Mallett, M. D. in General Practice be approved and that he be assigned to the Active Staff of the hospital. Seconded by Virginia Ostlund and passed.

The budget submitted by the Budget and Finance Committee was approved and Bill Dolan and Don Tarlow, with the assistance of the administrator, are to present it at the city Budget Committee meeting on April 4, 1979.

A motion was made by Don Wilson that the 1st Annual Board-Staff Dinner be held in May and that the committee be limited budgetwise to \$10.00 per person. Seconded by Andy Anderson and passed. Dr. Stan Kern and Don Tarlow were appointed as a committee to work out details.

Terry Mahr reported on the meeting with the bonding attorney and stated that General Obligation bonds would be advisable because of the lower interest rate. This would require approval of the voters of Newberg. A motion was made by Don Tarlow that we proceed with General Obligation Bonds with the Finance and Budget Committee to decide the amount later. Seconded by Don Wilson and passed.

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Don Wilson suggested that Mike Carlson of H. B. E. should be involved in any decision. Terry Mahr was to check with FHA to see if they would buy the bonds. May 22, 1979 was the date set for the public vote on the bonds.

Joe Plews read a report he had compiled from information he had obtained from talking to various people at A. E. Brim and Associates, Ltd. A motion was made by Don Tarlow that the Board reconsider the action taken at the February board meeting with reference to management firm or administrator concept of running the hospital. Seconded by Virginia Ostlund and passed.

A motion was made by Don Tarlow that we contract with a management firm to manage the hospital and that we investigate further applicants before deciding on any one. Seconded by Joe Plews and passed.

Bill Dolan reported on a visit he had made to McMinnville Hospital, which is owned by Hospital Corporation of America.

It was decided that the board should meet with representatives of Hospital Corporation of America, Hyatt Medical Management Services and Medical Environments before making any decision on a management firm. Thursday evening, April 5th, was set as a tentative date for the board to meet with representatives of these firms. The Mayor suggested that a standard set of questions should be prepared to ask each group. These were to be given to the Administrator by Monday, April 2nd, so that they could be consolidated.

After a report from the Joint Conference Committee indicated that they favored Dr. Stan Kern to fill the vacancy on the hospital commission, a motion was made by Joe Plews that the board recommend to the Mayor that Dr. Stan Kern be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Newberg Community Hospital Commission. Seconded by Ernie Smith and passed.

It was announced that the Budget and Finance Committee would meet Monday morning to discuss a raise in the Daily Service Charge and X-Ray charges.

The Administrator reported that:

- 1..The Image Upgrade System had been installed and is operating.
- 2.. Checks totalling \$40,355.00 have recently been received from the auxiliary.
- 3..The forms for an application for staff membership had been picked up by LeRoy McHarry, M. D.

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- 4..The hospital has paid over \$96,000.00 to the planner, architect and fund raiser which is posing a problem with our cash flow.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 P. M.

Approved,

Bob Hurford, Chairman

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C M Robins".

C. M. Robins, Secretary

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