

Newberg Community Hospital

Newberg, Oregon

June 24, 1977

The regular monthly meeting of the Newberg Community Hospital Commission was held in the Conference Room of the hospital on Friday, June 24, 1977. The meeting was called to order at 11:45 A. M. by Chairman Bob Hurford with all members present except Martin Redding. Mayor Elvern Hall and Justine Pfeiffer and Milt Robins of the hospital administration were also present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as mailed and the financial statement was presented and discussed.

Before the meeting, representative of Copy Office Products, Inc. demonstrated the Sharp Copy Machine to the board. The chairman requested that all board members that could have a demonstration of the Savin machine at the City Hall or in his office so that a comparison could be made between the two machines.

A motion was made by Don Wilson that we table any action on the proposal of National Health Search to supply some doctors for the Newberg area. Seconded by Mildred Renne and passed.

A motion was made by Don Wilson to accept the salary schedule to be effective July 1, 1977 as proposed by the administrator and approved by the Personnel Committee. Seconded by Ernie Smith and passed.

The administrator suggested that another board member be authorized to sign checks due to Martin Redding's illness. The chairman appointed Ernie Smith.

The board approved the request of the Maintenance Department that a loading dock be built outside the freight entrance.

A motion was made by Don Wilson that the hospital send two people to the Program on Hospital Accreditation Standards to be presented by the Joint Commission in Reno on July 25 - 26, 1977. Seconded by Virginia Ostlund and passed.

The administrator reported that the March of Dimes had offered to purchase the combination Labor Bed and Delivery Table which was 5th on the priority list of equipment. The board accepted this offer.

The administrator told the board of the ever increasing patient load in the Emergency Department and the problem of coverage by our local staff physicians. A motion was made by Don Wilson that we authorize the administration and medical staff to hire an Emergency Room physician to work in the Emergency Department from 12:00 Noon on Saturday until 8:00 A. M. on Mondays for a trial period of three months. If none can be found, Residents could be hired, if the medical staff approved. Seconded by Ernie Smith and passed. The administrator was instructed to make monthly reports to the board on the financial impact on the hospital as no monies are budgeted for this expected additional expense.

Don Wilson, chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee, reported on the meeting with the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff and indicated that his committee should proceed to investigate the possibility of remodeling certain areas of the hospital or rebuilding to better serve our present needs. He called a meeting for the hospital board, the medical staff and the city council for Thursday, July 30, 1977 at St. Michaels Episcopal Church to discuss what action should be taken along this line.

The discussed hospital foundation, the proposed installation of television sets, the planned painting, etc. will be held in abeyance pending further decisions of the Long Range Planning Committee.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,



C. M. Robins, Secretary

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