

Old Business

- a) **ICD-10 Preparedness** – Chief Information Officer Jane Maskus presented an outside consultant’s assessment of Lawrence Memorial Hospital’s readiness to transfer to the ICD-10 diagnostic coding system. This system will add approximately 69,000 diagnostic codes with the goal of improving quality in patient care and reporting. The transition to ICD-10 must occur by October 1, 2014 and will require a projected 43,522 hours to implement and cost approximately \$1.2 million. The consultant has helped us develop a roadmap for implementation and estimates that nearly 700 staff members will be affected by the change.
- b) **Physician Recruitment** – Sheryle D’Amico, VP Physician Division, and Dr. Sherri Vaughn, VP Medical Affairs, were recognized for their tremendous efforts in recruiting four great physicians. Dr. Elizabeth Guastello, a cardiologist, Dr. Paul Kolkman, a general surgeon, Dr. Emily Riggs, an OB/GYN, and Dr. Hiten Soni, a psychiatrist, have all agreed to join the Lawrence Memorial Hospital Medical Staff.

New Business

- a) **LMH Charity Policy** – Chief Financial Officer Joe Pedley presented proposed revisions to our charity care policy which will expand eligibility to more people. Also included in the revised policy are provisions for those who are deemed medically indigent or those who have household incomes exceeding the charity guidelines but who have experienced a catastrophic medical event that has left them with extraordinarily high medical bills. Mr. Pedley stated that the policy will be brought back next month with a request for action.
- b) **2012 Year End Snapshot** – A preliminary look at 2012 inpatient statistics was provided.
- c) **March Board Meeting Date** – Because the regular Board meeting in March would occur during Spring Break, the meeting will be moved to March 27th.

Informational

The Lawrence Memorial Hospital Endowment Association Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 31, 2013.

Executive Session

MOTION: made by Chuck Heath, seconded by Mike Wildgen that the Board of Trustees recess to Executive Session for consultation with the hospital attorney which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, to include the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief of the Medical Staff and Director of Compliance. The open meeting is to resume in this room at 10:15 a.m. Motion carried.

MOTION: made by Mike Wildgen, seconded by Joe Flannery to extend the Executive Session to 10:20 a.m.

Thereafter, the open meeting resumed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Blocher, Secretary