

TO: Skagway Traditional Council

FR: Judean Gordon 
SEARHC Board Member

RE: Board of Directors Update – August 2022

The SEARHC Board of Directors (Board) assembled in person and virtually for the July Quarterly Board Meeting in Petersburg on July 28, 29, 2022.

Accreditation Governing Body Committee

The Senior Vice President/Chief Medical Officer (SVP/CMO) presented updates on the behavioral health programs, including two new grants. The report also included the status of the specialty care clinics and the success of the weight management program, with an update on the weight loss surgery program. The Committee reviewed the regulatory activity for hospitals and clinics, plus quality improvement indicators and other topics from the Leadership Report.

Joint Conference

The Chief of Staff provided a presentation explaining the Medical Staff Leadership's delegation of duties and responsibilities in accordance with the Accreditation Governing Body. After the SEARHC Medical Staff Officers introduced themselves, the Chief of Staff explained that “the foundation of the medical staff is the partnership and trust of SEARHC patients.” The Chief of Staff then described the role and duties of the Medical Executive Committee, which foremost ensures all patients receive the highest quality of care while taking the necessary actions to uphold the SEARHC mission.

Executive Committee

Once the Committee reviewed and approved the agenda and the minutes from April 27, 2022, they moved to approve Resolution 2022-10 to accept the donation property from St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Haines, Alaska. This property was donated in hopes of a new clinic in the future.

Finance Committee

The Senior Executive Vice President/Chief Finance Officer (SEVP/CFO) reviewed the third quarter financials including revenue, operating expenses, volumes, specialty care and payor mix. The review of the proposed FY23 operating budget included an operating margin of 6%,

announcement that Senator Murkowski supports hospitals in Haines and Klawock. The report also included an update on the Sitka Behavioral Health's move to duplicate the Juneau Opioid Treatment Program by the end of the year. Board members commented on the need for after-care for patients returning home from treatment.

After the board approved Resolution 2022-10 authorizing the acceptance of the Haines property donation from St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, they approved the 2023 Capitol and Operating Budget.

Key accomplishments from the July 2022 Board Meeting include:

- Approval of the Consortium-wide Credentials List.
- Approval of the Changes in Privileges Requests
- Approval of the Providence TeleICU TeleStroke Provider Roster, vRad Credential, and ANTHC Telemedicine List.
- Approval of the updated General Surgery Privilege Request Form.
- Approval of the leadership staff of the SEARHC Home Health program in accordance with the Joint Commission Standards.
- Approval of the Resolution 2022-10 Authorization of Acceptance of Real Property Donation from St. Michael and All Angles Episcopal Church in Haines, Alaska.
- Approval of the 2023 Capitol and Operating Budget.

Thank you for your continual support of SEARHC's important mission: Alaska Native People working in partnership to provide the best healthcare for our communities.