

SJCPHD#3: Orcas Island Health Care District  
Special Board Meeting – Minutes  
January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024



**Orcas Island Health Care District**  
**Minutes of the January 11, 2023**  
**Board of Commissioners**  
**Special Board Meeting**

**Commissioners Present:**

Dave Zoeller  
Diane Boteler – Joined at 6:10 p.m.  
Pegi Groundwater  
Chelsie Guilford  
Mark Salierno

**Staff:**

Chris Chord, Superintendent

**I. Call To Order – Special Board Meeting**

President Zoeller called the January 11<sup>th</sup> Special Board Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with a quorum of commissioners present. Commissioner Boteler joined at 6:10 p.m.

**II. New Business**

A. Superintendent Chord and Commissioner Groundwater provided background on the Washington State Attorney General’s Office letter regarding the Reproductive Privacy Act (RPA) and the expected response from Public Hospital Districts. The commissioners reviewed the proposed letter, drafted with the district’s legal counsel.

**Motion to approve** the OIHCD letter to the Attorney General’s office as drafted and to authorize the district superintendent and district board president to sign on behalf of the district, made by Commissioner Groundwater; seconded by Commissioner Boteler. Motion approved 5 – 0.

B. Superintendent Chord and Hilary Canty from the Orcas Island Community Foundation provided background on the history of volunteer based dental services for Orcas Island. Hilary discussed the community foundation’s plan to purchase a dental van for volunteer based dental services to Orcas which is a different project than the Rural Health Clinic associated Medicaid dental program, funded by the Department of Health Grant. The Community Foundation is proposing that the District take ownership of the van, but the Foundation would pay for purchasing and refurbishing it and a community coalition would continue to provide the dental services. Commissioners were interested but sought information about insurance and liability.

**III. Public Comment**

No public comment.

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**IV. Adjourn - Action**

Motion to adjourn Special Board Meeting made by Commissioner Boteler; seconded by Commissioner Groundwater. Motion approved 5 – 0. The Special Board Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Minutes approved this 23rd day of January, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Salierno", positioned above a horizontal line.

Attest: Mark Salierno, OIHCD Board Secretary