

**3-4 Mission Statement**

Enriching lives through better health

**True North Statement**

To be the healthcare partner of choice for our community.

**Values**

Compassion – Showing empathy and respect

Integrity – Demonstrating moral and ethical principles

Quality – Achieving the best possible outcome

Safety – Committing to Safe Practices

Teamwork – Caring for the success of the team

*This institution is an equal opportunity provider*

**HARNEY COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday April 1, 2026 @ 5:30 pm**

**JOIN VIA ZOOM:** E-Mail invitation, with instructions & links

**HCHD Board Members Present:** Sharon Davis, Jolene Cawlfild, Julie Riel, Robert Paramore, Shana Withee

**HCHD Board Members Present via Zoom:** Debbie Bentz

**HCHD Board Members Absent:** Kathy Cook

**HCHD Staff Present:** Bob Gomes, Catherine White, Dr. Linda Selby, Jen Hoke, Karen Reed, Olivia Wilson, Yolanda Ryckman, Bret Bossuot, Erik Olson, Dr. Lincoln Mosier, Kathy Huffman

**Visitors Present:** Amy Paul

Sharon Davis called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

**Agenda Additions / Changes:**

- No additions or changes to the agenda.

**Adjourn to Executive Session:** Per: ORS 192.660(2)(c), ORS Id and ORS 441.055, Public hospital Medical Staff, (credentialing) including but not limited to ORS 41.675, ORS 192.501, good faith effort to promote quality of care & patient safety & is protected from discovery & use in legal proceedings at 5:34 pm.

*(Complete, credentialing folders available during meeting for Board to review)*

Safety & Quality Committee Report: *(Confidential information packet – NOT for General Public Viewing)*

Reconvene from Executive Session at 6:09 pm.

**ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of February 4, 2026:

*It was moved to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of February 4, 2026. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2026:

*It was moved to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2026. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2026:

*It was moved to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2026. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM:** Re-Appointments:

*It was moved to approve the re-appointments, as recommended by Medical Staff of Stephany Barreto, MD-Radiology, Steven Kjobech, MD-Radiology & Michael McLaughlin, MD-Radiology. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM:** Initial Appointments:

*It was moved to approve the initial appointments, as recommended by Medical Staff of Denas Andrijauskis, MD-Radiology. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM:** Policy 850.0001, Emergency Operations Plan: (Oliva)

*It was moved to approve Policy 850.0001, Emergency Operations Plan, as presented. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM:** Policy 675.0021, Infection Control Plan and Risk Assessment: (Yolanda)

*It was moved to approve Policy 675.0021, Infection Control Plan & Risk Assessment, as presented. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**Public Comment for Agenda Items:**

- No public comment on agenda items.

**Presentation / Board Development / Education:**

Board Education Topics

- ✓ Overview of Charge Master - Catherine
- ✓ AHA Rural Conference Highlights - Jolene
- ✓ Top Ten Rules for Hospital Board Members – Sharon
- ✓ The 3 Hats of a Board Member – Sharon

**Review/Discussion:**

**Administrative Report:**

- No additions to the written report.

**Governance Committee Report:**

- No additions to the written report.

**ACTION ITEM:** Board Policy, 100.17500, “Board of Trustees and Just Culture”:

*It was moved to approve the retirement of Board Policy 100.17500, as presented. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**Finance Committee Report:**

- No additions to the written report.

**ACTION ITEM:** Resolution – Opt-in Limit Liability for Certain Claims on District lands:

*It was moved to approve Resolution, Opt-In Limit Liability for Certain Claims on District Lands. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM:** Approve Budget Calendar:

*It was moved to approve the Budget Calendar for FY 26/27. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM:** Appoint Budget Officer:

*Motion was made to appoint Catherine White as Budget Officer for FY 26/27. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM:** Appoint Budget Committee:

*It was moved to approve Petrina White, Ramonda Thompson, Rhonda Karges, Kaeko Blackburn, Fred Flippence, Sue Weathers and Kimberlee Olson to serve as community representatives to review Harney County Health District’s Budget for FY 26/27. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**ACTION ITEM: Bank of Eastern Oregon Signature Card.** (Current signers; Bob Gomes, Elaine Wulff, Dr. Linda Selby, Jen Hoke, Erik Olson, Toni Siegner, Sharon Davis, Kara Bowen, Shana Withee and Kathy Cook):

*It was moved that the Bank of Eastern Oregon create a signature card authorizing Bob Gomes, Jen Hoke, Linda Selby, Karen Reed, Erik Olson, Sharon Davis, Shana Withee and Julie Reil as authorized check signers on the account of Bank of Eastern Oregon. Motion was seconded and passed six to zero.*

**Old Business:**

- Updated Healthcare 101 – Acronyms/Terminology Handout

**New Business:** (see attached flyer)

- August 15 – Harney Hospital Foundation Golf Scramble & Cornhole Tournament
- August 20 – Community Appreciation Barbeque
- November 21 – Harney Hospital Foundation’s Gala
- December 4 – Harney District Hospital Holiday Party
- The board toured the Physical Therapy Department

**Public Comment for non-Agenda items:**

- No public comment for non-Agenda items.

Shana Withee recognized LaToya Pitts for being able to help a family member. It was truly appreciated.

**The Board adjourned at 7:26 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jolene Cawlfeld, Board Secretary

**Next Board Meeting: Wednesday May 6, 2026 @ 5:30 pm**

**Budget Board Meeting for FY 26/27: Wednesday May 20, 2026 @ 3:00 pm**