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Board of Directors Special Study Session of the Full Board and Lease and Building Committee Wednesday, May 31, 2017

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chair Jennifer Rienks called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call / Approval of Agenda / Approval of Minutes

Committee Members Present: Chair Jennifer Rienks; Harris Simmonds, MD

Board Members Present: Ann Sparkman; Jennifer Hershon

Staff Members Present: Jon Friedenberg, COO; Louis Weiner, Executive Assistant

Community Member Present: Brian Su, MD

Guests Present: Matthew Katics, DO, MGH Medical Director of Palliative Care; Jan Sams,

MGH Director of Risk Management

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the agenda as presented.

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the Lease and Building Committee meeting of May 3, 2017.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Review Draft of Marin Healthcare District Policy on the California End of Life Act (EOLA)

Mr. Friedenberg reported that Marin General Hospital, through the Medical Executive Committee and the Quality and Patient Safety Committee, is currently forming a policy regarding the EOLA. The Marin Healthcare District, through its 1206(b) clinics, is concerned with the outpatient issues of the law, hence the draft policy presented here for review.

Dr. Katics and Ms. Sams worked with legal counsel in forming this Policy. Dr. Katics noted that the Policy itself is short and simple: a directive to follow the law, and that participation by any party is entirely voluntary. The remainder of the Policy document consists of details of the law: Purpose, Process, Definitions, and Forms. Also presented was an illustration flowchart, an added attachment that will be submitted as part of the Policy. At "Process: Step 6: Obtaining the Aid-In-Dying Drug," Ms. Sams will insert the pertinent section of the law before submitting the Policy for approval by the MHD Board.

Discussion ensued regarding the involving of legal counsel in the application procedure, the number of patient cases in the Bay Area since the law was enacted, and Prima Medical Group's own separate formation of such a policy.

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Dr. Simmonds moved to recommend the Policy, with the "Step 6" change and the added flowchart, to the MHD Board of Directors for approval. Ms. Sparkman seconded. Vote: all ayes.

Educational events and forums, focused separately for physicians and for the general community, will be presented. This will be discussed and planned at the next meeting of this Committee, in Board Special Study Session, on June 28.

5. Adjournment

Chair Rienks adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m. The next meeting of this Committee will be Weds. June 28 at 5:30 pm.