

Nehalem Bay Health District  
Nehalem Valley Care Center LLC Board  
Special Meeting

January 24, 2022, 2:00 pm on Zoom

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Marc Johnson at 2:02 pm.

Attendance:

Board: Marc Johnson, Jacki Hinton, Anupam Nayaran, Debbie Moberly, Lynda Chick.

CEO and Contractor: Jeff Slamal, Jennie Meyers.

Nehalem Valley Care Center: Kim Sorenson, Mark Remley.

Public: Jerry Spegman, Ted and Marlene Weissbach.

The purpose of this meeting is to establish an Annual Review of Operations at the Nehalem Valley Care Center to include the LLC Board, NBHD CEO, Aiden Health Services, Inc., and other parties of interest including community members.

A letter was sent to Aiden/Mark Remley on November 23, 2021 expressing serious concerns on the part of the LLC Board about ongoing staffing issues, static patient census and communication/coordination issues between the administrator of the Care Center and Aiden Health.

An extensive period of discussion ensued to address the letter to Aiden and the response received from Mark Remley of Aiden.

Clarification of the status of the business and future potential condition was outlined by Mark Remley and Kim Sorenson. Explanation was given as to how the Care Center has come to the current staffing, census, and financial condition. Serious concern was voiced by members of the Board with regard to the continuation of the Care Center and how that will play out going forward.

After considerable time, thought and discussion there was consensus by the LLC Board for the following items to be accomplished:

1. Anupam and Lynda will work together on short term focus by meeting weekly with Kim to review current status reports for all staffing, census and financials.
2. Jacki and Debbie will continue work on the draft RFP seeking a consultant to conduct an operational assessment of NVCC.
3. Marc Johnson and Mark Remley will address our State and County officials to urge more support for high-quality rural healthcare and specifically for NVCC.

4. Jeff will finalize the RFP after the Board approves the draft and prepare the document for publication.

There was consensus of the LLC Board that this work must progress at a good pace and that the public needs to be kept informed of progress.

There is a consultant's report concerning Nehalem Bay House and Kilchis House that was prepared prior to their closings that may be helpful in determining the best way forward for the Care Center. Mark Remley will attempt to get a copy of that report.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennie Meyers, Recording Clerk