

AGENDA
Thursday, August 22, 1996 4:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Lancaster Room/Burnham Yates Conference Center
Cornhusker Plaza

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| 1. Call to Order
Review/approval of August 7 Minutes
Introduction of New Members | Dr. John White |
| 2. Presentation on National Trends in
Health Care | Terri Wareham |
| 3. Local Hospital Presentations
• Lincoln General Hospital
• Bryan Memorial Hospital
• St. Elizabeth Healthcare Center | Arlan Stromberg
Lynn Wilson
Bob Lanik |
| 4. Update on Stakeholder Interviews,
Public Opinion Survey | Dr. John White
and Staff |
| 5. Other Business | |
| 6. Confirm Date, Agenda for next Meeting | |
| 7. Adjourn | |

If you are unable to attend, please notify Rachel Rezabek at 441-7511.

Minutes for August 22, 1996

PRESENT: Dr. John White, Chair; Ann Seacrest, Vice-Chair; Marshall Borchert, Linda Crump, Susan Dunn, Dr. William Griffin, Mark Hesser, Lloyd Hinkley, Roger Massey, Kay Reed, Annie Scott, and Michael Tavlin.

OTHERS: Bill Austin, Larry Bare, Polly McMullen, Arlan Stromberg, Terri Wareham, Bob Carroll, Kerry Eagan, and Rachel Rezabek.

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Chair Dr. John White. A motion to approve the August 7 minutes was passed unanimously. The meeting was an educational session. Dr. White explained that the primary purpose of the meeting was to learn about trends in national healthcare and to learn about the three hospitals in Lincoln. The Committee also discussed the stakeholder interviews.

Terri Wareham gave a presentation on current trends in national healthcare. (Handout was provided.) Terri's presentation included the following topics for discussion:

Why We're Here

Status of the Healthcare Industry

Ownership and Affiliation Options

Next Steps

Dr. White asked the Committee for any questions. Mark Hesser asked for a clarification of the charge to the Committee in considering points and issues as we look at the future of Lincoln General Hospital. It is Mark's understanding that the Committee will be looking at Lincoln's expectations and values for healthcare as they analyze two proposals presented. Dr. White stated that the charge to the Committee is to look at two proposals one from Bryan Memorial Hospital and one from St. Elizabeth. Ms. Wareham added that it is important for the Committee to know the context in which the proposals are being offered relative to what's happening in healthcare. The Committee must also determine what people's expectations are relative to values and healthcare provided. Dr. White reiterated that the Committee will focus on what is best for healthcare in Lincoln.

Arlan Stromberg, Administrator and CEO of Lincoln General Hospital, thanked the Committee for the opportunity to talk about Lincoln General and gave a presentation on the hospital. (Handout was provided.) Mr. Stromberg talked about Lincoln General's mission and goals as well as its history. He explained the hospital's corporate structure and governance and discussed Lincoln General's centers of excellence, services, and community programs. Arlan presented Lincoln General Hospital's 5-year financial highlights and discussed the need for change. He closed by talking about what LGH feels are important healthcare issues and expressed their vision of healthcare delivery in Lincoln.

Dr. White asked for questions. There were none. Dr. White stated on behalf of the Committee that he appreciated the hospitals giving presentations for a better understanding of the nature of the hospitals in Lincoln.

Tom Henning, President and CEO of Security Mutual Life and current Chairman of the Bryan Board of Trustees, thanked the Committee for the opportunity to present information about Bryan Memorial Hospital and commended them for their commitment to participate in this public process.

Lynn Wilson, President and CEO of Bryan Memorial Hospital, shared information on Bryan Memorial Hospital. (Handout was provided.) Mr. Wilson discussed Bryan's history; mission; values for quality service; corporate structure; governance; services; services unique in Lincoln; community programs and services; collaborative community programs and services; centers of excellence; accreditation, affiliations and memberships; teaching programs; community benefit, Fiscal 1995; payor mix and financial highlights. Lynn also talked about important issues to Bryan and how they are responding. He explained Bryan's reasons for seeking affiliation with Lincoln General Hospital and closed with their vision for the future.

Dr. White asked for questions. There were none.

Bob Lanik, President of St. Elizabeth Community Health Center, gave his presentation on St. Elizabeth. (Handout was provided.) Mr. Lanik highlighted four points:

1. St. Elizabeth believes it is in the best interest of the community to have balance and choice in healthcare systems
2. St. Elizabeth is flexible in their approach to finding what is best for the community and are willing to work together to find the right solution

3. St. Elizabeth is asking the Committee and City government to approve a solution that will leave Lincoln with two strong, balanced healthcare systems

4. St. Elizabeth wishes to demonstrate the value of their hospital to the community.

Sister Barbara Ann Braun took a few moments to give the history of St. Elizabeth.

Brad Korell, President of NBC and Vice-Chair of the St. Elizabeth Board, talked about two issues -- local governance and balance and choice in Lincoln's healthcare. Brad also thanked the committee for the opportunity to speak and commended them on their commitment to this issue.

Bob Lanik discussed St. Elizabeth's vision of healthcare, mission and values, community programs and services, services and centers of excellence, teaching programs, affiliations, joint ventures, market share information and financial highlights. Dr. White asked for questions from the Committee. Kay Reed asked Bob Lanik and Arlan Stromberg to clarify their figures for indigent care. Bob Lanik gave percentages of 1.8 and 2.0 and stated that St. Elizabeth's dollar amount was \$1.349 million. Arlan Stromberg stated Lincoln General Hospital's charity care was \$1,477,000.

Dr. White thanked all the presenters for giving the Committee the amount of information they did in a short amount of time. The presentations were helpful in giving the Committee a broad perspective of healthcare in Lincoln.

Dr. White explained the various ways the public can share their input in this process. They include:

Rebroadcast of Committee meetings on Cable Channel 5

Interviews with stakeholders representing several categories

24-hour hot line (Begins August 28 at 8:00 a.m.)

Web Page

Written Correspondence/Letter

3 Public Forums/Commentary

Gallup Survey

Communication with Committee Members

All of the information received will be analyzed by the Committee.

Dr. White discussed the stakeholder interview process. He stated that every citizen in Lincoln and the surrounding area is a stakeholder because they have expectations and priorities for healthcare in Lincoln. To find out what is important to these citizens, Consultant Terri Wareham will conduct private interviews with approximately 50 stakeholders who represent the community. Over 100 names were suggested to be interviewed. Due to the amount of time the Committee has to complete this process, all of them will not be personally interviewed. Ms. Wareham has identified 15 categories of individuals from which the Committee will select people to serve as representatives from each category. In addition to the ones being interviewed, a letter will be sent to those individuals the Committee suggested but were not interviewed asking for their written response to the same types of questions discussed in the interview.

Dr. White suggested that he appoint a subcommittee to formulate the stakeholder interview list. The subcommittee would include Dr. White, Ann Seacrest and two other members of the Committee.

Roger Massey made a motion to allow Dr. White to appoint the subcommittee. Marshall Borchert seconded the motion. Discussion was held. Annie Scott asked when the subcommittee would meet. Dr. White said tomorrow -- soon. Annie Scott suggested the subcommittee meet following the Committee meeting. Dr. White asked Dr. Griffin and Linda Crump to serve on the subcommittee. Dr. Griffin and Linda Crump agreed to serve and decided to meet following the adjournment of the Committee meeting. The question was called and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. White asked for any comments from staff. There were none.

Dr. White announced that the next meeting will be September 12 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Cornhusker. The agenda will include a report on the current status of Lincoln General Hospital, results from some of the stakeholder interviews, and a public comment period.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.