WHITE PLAINS HOSPITAL
MEDICAL STAFF MEETING SCHEDULE
JUNE, 2011

2	Thursday	Tumor Board	7:30	am	Centennial Bd. Rm.
2	Thursday	OB/GYN	5:00	pm	Centennial Bd. Rm.
3	Friday	Neuroradiology Conference	8:00	am	X-Ray Department
3	Friday	Transfusion Committee	12:00	Noon	Medical Library
6	Monday	Bylaws Committee Meeting	5:00	pm	Centennial Bd. Rm.
7	Tuesday	Anesthesia Conference	7:15	am	Medical Library
7	Tuesday	Multidisciplinary Breast Conference	7:30	am	Centennial Bd. Rm.
7	Tuesday	Cardiology Grand Rounds	4:30	pm	Centennial Bd. Rm.
8	Wednesday	Neonatology-Pediatric Conference	7:30	am	5B Classroom
9	Thursday	Tumor Board	7:30	am	Centennial Bd. Rm.
9	Thursday	Epilepsy Conference	4:00	pm	Auditorium
10	Friday	Neuroradiology Conference	8:00	am	X-Ray Department
10	Friday	Credentials Committee	12:00	noon	Centennial Bd. Rm.
13	Monday	Medical Board	4:00	pm	Centennial Bd. Rm.
14	Tuesday	Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee	1:00	pm	Centennial Bd. Rm.
14	Tuesday	Gastroenterology Conference	3:30	pm	Dickstein Cancer Ctr.
14	Tuesday	Echo/Non Invasive Conference	4:00	pm	Cardiology Lounge
14	Tuesday	GI Cancer Conference	4:30	pm	Dickstein Cancer Ctr.
14	Tuesday	Anesthesia Conference	7:15	am	Auditorium
15	Wednesday	Ethics Committee	12:00	noon	Centennial Bd. Rm.
16	Thursday	Tumor Board	7:30	am	Centennial Bd. Rm.
16	Thursday	Department of Medicine	5:00	pm	Auditorium
17	Friday	Neuroradiology Conference	8:00	am	X-Ray Department
20	Monday	ICU Committee	12:00	noon	5B Classroom
21	Tuesday	Anesthesia Conference	7:15	am	Medical Library
21	Tuesday	Multidisciplinary Breast Conference	7:30	am	Centennial Bd. Rm.
21	Tuesday	Urology Conference	7:30	am	Medical Library
21	Tuesday	Cardiac Care Committee	4:30	pm	Medical Library
23	Thursday	Tumor Board	7:30	am	Centennial Bd. Rm.
23	Thursday	Pediatric Conference	6:30	pm	Centennial Bd. Rm.
24	Friday	Neuroradiology Conference	8:00	am	X-Ray Department
27	Monday	Perinatology – OB/GYN Conference	8:00	am	Centennial Bd. Rm.
28	Tuesday	Surgical Mortality/Morbity Conference	7:30	am	Auditorium
28	Tuesday	Anesthesia Conference	7:15	am	Medical Library
28	Tuesday	Vascular Surgery Workshop	8:30	am	Radiology Dept.
29	Wednesday	GYN Oncology Conference	7:30	am	Centennial Bd. Rm.
30	Thursday	Tumor Board Committee	7:30	am	Centennial Bd. Rm.

SAVE THE DATE

MEDICAL STAFF QUARTERLY

Tuesday, September 13, 2011
4:30 pm
White Plains Hospital Auditorium

Reception to follow

To Honor

Peter Ebenstein, MD
Bonnie D. Eilen, MD
Shari E. Glickstein, MD
David M. Goldberg, MD
Lawrence E. Grolnick, Ph.D
Henry Hartman, Ph.D
Steven R. Landau, MD
Gary P. Orentlicher, DMD, PC
Norman P. Pandorf, DMD
Karen M. Pechman, MD
Mitchell Reuben, MD
Neil A. Spielsinger

For 25 Years of Dedicated Service on the Medical and Dental Staff

5:30 pm
Centennial Board Room

INVITATION

SAVE THE DATE

32nd ANNUAL FALL OUTING
White Plains Hospital Center
Medical and Dental Staff

DATE: Wednesday, October 12, 2011

PLACE: **Old Oaks Country Club**
3100 Purchase Street
Purchase, NY 10577
683-6000

Golf
Tennis
Cocktails & Buffet Dinner
Staff members whose dues are current are not charged for dinner.

Further details will follow in later mailings

Roger Cappucci, MD
President, Medical Staff

Martin Barschi, MD
Chairman, Outing Committee

Medical Board April 11, 2011
Centennial Board Room 4PM

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 PM by Roger Cappucci, MD

Voting Members:

Present were:	Drs.	Michael Palumbo
		Roger Cappucci
		Dan Costin
		Mark Gordon
		Jay Lupin
		Benjamin Marano
		Steven Meixler
		Robert Reiffel
		Mitchell Reuben
		Robert Rosenberg
		Robert Small
		Nina Soberman
		Richard Weinstein
Absent:	Drs.	Serle Levin
		Alfred Roston
		Philip Weber

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Present were	Drs.	Rodney Ashir
		Rajesh Gupta
		Timothy Haydock
		Paul Khoury
		Bradford Perry
		Deena Shah
		Joli Yuknek
	Mr.	Edward Leonard
	Ms.	Leigh Anne McMahon
	Mr.	Jon Schandler
Excused:	Dr.	Andrew Goldstein
Absent:	Drs.	Joseph Ho
		Joseph Leanza
		Karen Pechman
		Kathryn Siao
		Louis Vizioli
Invitees:	Ms.	Susan Fox
	Ms.	Michelle Shields
	Dr.	Jonathan Wynn

The minutes of the March 14, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

The first order of business was to welcome Michelle Shields, the new Director of the Medical Staff Services office.

Report of the Executive Vice-President/Medical Director

Three letters of resignation were read: Dr. Asaf Cohen, M.D. in the Section of Internal Medicine, effective June 30, 2011. Dr. Brenda Ayers, in the Section of Internal Medicine, effective March 14, 2011. Dr. Kruan Keolamphu, M.D. in the Section of Internal Medicine, effective March 31, 2011. All three letters were accepted by the Medical Board.

A leave of absence was requested by Dr. Laurie Hirsh, M.D. in the Section of Orthopedics, effective April 11, 2011. Dr. Hirsh has agreed that this leave of absence will be effective when she has arranged for appropriate coverage of her emergency department call, as currently scheduled. Medical board accepted the leave of absence, with that contingency.

Dr. Palumbo introduced Michelle Shields. Ms. Shields is the new Director of Professional Services. Part of her responsibilities will include oversight of the Medical Staff Office. Ms. Shields outlined plans including increasing automatization of the Medical Staff Office, and streamlining both the initial application process as well as the reappointment process.

The policy regarding required review of pathology slides prior to any major surgical procedures, which was approved in 2006 by the Medical Board, was discussed. Dr. Mark Gordon and Dr. Deena Shah participated in the discussion. There was agreement that the existing policy was appropriate, however, has been inconsistently enforced. It was agreed that the policy would be distributed to both the Medical Staff and Department/Section leadership for more clear description of these requirements. Medical Board will be kept informed going forward, as this process is developed.

Medical Board was updated regarding a concern with Lovenox dosing in patients with renal impairment. A literature search has been completed by the Pharmacy Department .This information has been shared with Dr. Joshua Raff, Section Chief for hematology-oncology. Dr. Raff will meet with his section to make recommendations regarding Lovenox dosing.

Medical Board was updated regarding ongoing IT issues. The process of developing standardized evidence-based order sets is ongoing. A meeting was held last week with the software support company, Zynxs. The four Stellaris hospitals are developing the process flow for reviewing and developing these order sets- initially at the individual hospitals, followed by a process for approval on the standard sets. Stellaris intends to hire a temporary CMIO and an IT resource to assist and coordinate with this process. Secondly, the new functionality regarding discharge instructions and medication reconciliation was also discussed. After an extensive pilot project with both employed and private hospitalists, we are ready to roll this functionality out to the entire Medical Staff. This was discussed at Medical Board and an agreement was reached, that the best method for this training would include large group sessions followed by individual instruction as needed with super users available to assist physicians.

Report of the President, Medical and Dental Staff

Roger Cappucci, MD reported the hospital physician dinners have been going well. There have been two dinners with Jon Schandler, Susan Fox, Michael Palumbo, MD and Medical Staff members. There have been informal dinners re State of the Hospital.

MD Lounge construction will start next week.

Condolences to Bradford Perry, MD on the passing of his father.

Report of the President, CEO

Jon Schandler reported admissions have been up 4.5%, year over year. The LOS have been steady. Medicare LOS is 15% to 20% higher compared to other hospitals. Our census has been roughly 226 patients, per day. The Department of Emergency Medicine admissions have been up 19.5%, year over year, and the first quarter they are up again an additional 9%. Mr. Schandler stated he was disappointed the Governor's budget they did not cap the medical malpractice. He did report on a fund for neurologically impaired children. To pay for this there will be a tax on OB services. He also announced the retirement of
Mr. Michael LaCalamita and Mary Spengler has resigned to become the CEO of Westchester Hospice. Jon also commended the Nursing Department for filing the Magnet documents.

Vice-President, Nursing

Leigh Anne McMahon reminded everyone to visit the Cardiology hallway where Nursing project displays will be posted.

Report of the Bylaws Committee

The WPH Medical Staff Bylaws are being updated to comply with TJC requirements. It was suggested that if a History & Physical is in a patient's chart from an outside physician, the WPH physician will have to sign off on it.

Also discussed was potentially requiring all new physicians joining the staff be board certified in the requisite amount of time required by their own boards. Physicians on staff who are not board certified will be grandfathered. Approximately 90% of our staff are board certified. The changes were unanimously supported by the Committee.

Report of Director, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Management

Deena Shah, MD reported that the turnaround for C-difficile testing is now 2.5 days as opposed to 4 days in the past.

Report of Director, Department of Anesthesia

Mitchell Reuben, MD reported that IV Tylenol has been approved. The Anesthesia Department finds this very useful in the PACU.

Report of Director, Department of Surgery

Dr. Mark Gordon commented on a 2006 letter by Dr. Lawrence Kadish re pathology requirements for major surgical cases. He suggested each department will determine which cases should be required to submit pathology.

With nothing further to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 4:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Small, MD
Secretary/Treasurer, Medical Staff