

**Martin County Hospital District  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Monday, August 30, 2021**

Members Present: Morgan Cox, Albert Garza, John Myrick, Frances Hernandez, Terry Franklin, Clay Parker

Members Absent: None

Hospital Staff Present: Nancy Cooke, Becky Brandon, Freddy Ollvarez, Tara Lopez, Corina Mckiskl, Dr. Cargill, Linda Wiebe, Tonya Gllsan, Tamara Sanford


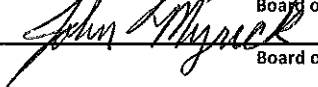
Other Attendees: Brian Jackson - Hospital Attorney

Meeting called to Order at 11:45am by Board President Morgan Cox.

Agenda Item	Presentation/Discussion	Action Taken
Reading and Approval of Minutes from July27, 2021	Minutes reviewed with no corrections.	Motion by Frances Hernandez to approve the minutes from the July 27, 2021 meeting with no corrections, seconded by Albert Garza. No opposition, motion carries.
Reading and Approval of Minutes from August 10, 2021	Minutes reviewed with no corrections.	Motion by John Myrick to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2021 Tax Hearing meeting with no corrections, seconded by Frances Hernandez. No opposition, motion carries.
Public Comment	None	
Tax Rate Adoption	Committee recommends adopting the 2021 Tax Rate at \$.260000.	Motion was made by Terry Franklin, seconded by Clay Parker, to adopt the 2021 Tax Rate at \$.260000. No opposition, motion carries.
Medical Staff Report	Dr. Cargill gave a summary of the medical staff report.	Motion was made by Albert Garza, seconded by John Myrick, to approve the Medical Staff Report. No opposition, motion carries.
Medical Staff Privileges and Terminations	<p>Ms. Wiebe presented the providers for Appointment, Re-appointment and Expiring Terms, listed</p> <p><b>Appointment:</b> Akshat Goel, MD - V-Rad - Diagnostic Radiologist</p> <p><b>Re-appointments:</b> Megan Chandier, FNP-C - MCHD Matthew Friez, MD - Forensic Pathology Rolando Rodriguez, MD - Concord Josiah Wrensford, MD - Concord</p> <p><b>Expiring Privileges:</b> Katy Bagwill, CRNA Manual Carrasco, MD Kevin Funk, MD - Concord Shylesh Ganta, MD Rouchdy Haddad, MD Derrick Hernandez, CRNA Weston Jones, DDS Nam Kim, DDS Karen King, DDS Sabino Lopez, CRNA Kevin McCarver, MD Joe McFarland, CRNA Mary Nguyen, DDS Govld Patel, MD Mrunal Patel, MD Dean Ports, CRNA Manish Shroff, MD Leatha Tampke, NP Thomas Youngblood, DDS</p>	Motion was made by John Myrick, seconded by Frances Hernandez, to approve the appointments, re-appointments and expiring providers as presented. No opposition, motion carries.

Contracts: Remedy Pain Management	Tabled until after Executive Session	
Contracts: TruBridge - Penetration Testing and Risk Management Assessment	Ms. Cooke stated this contract is part of the District's program for cyber-security. TruBridge performs penetration testing to determine vulnerabilities in our network environment. This information is then used to make any adjustments necessary to secure the network. The annual cost is \$16,700. In addition, TruBridge performs a comprehensive Risk Assessment. This is very comprehensive. It complies with requirements as specified by the Meaningful Use Guidelines. This is a two-year contract and the cost is \$30,000 plus travel costs. These services were budgeted for 2021-2022.	
Contracts: Biomedical Services	Ms. Cooke presented the Biomedical Services include preventive maintenance on medical equipment, electrical checks, performance testing and repairs. The Hospital has been using STAT Biomed for this service since 2018. The service provided has not been satisfactory. Bids were solicited to provide these services. Bids were received from two companies: First Choice Biomedical and Specialty Biomedical. First Choice Biomedical-located in Lubbock. Bid for services \$16,000 based on current inventory. Specialty Biomedical-located in College Station. Bid for services \$14,821 based on current inventory. Staff is recommending contract with First Choice.	Motion by Clay Parker to approve all contracts as presented, seconded by John Myrick. No opposition, motion carries.
Contracts: Shirlene Sulatan, FNP - Nurse Practitioner for Psychiatric Evaluations	Ms. Cooke stated CMS requires that all Swing Bed programs provide for consultation for psychiatric evaluations and consults for patients. Ms. Sulatan has agreed to provide this service. An FMV has been completed by JTaylor and associated. The rate is \$75.00 per hour, on an as needed basis.	
Contracts: Hima Parchuri, DO - Nurse Practitioner Supervision	Ms. Cooke stated Dr. Parchuri has agreed to provide physician supervision for Ms. Sulatan, as required. An FMV has been completed and the rate is \$500 per month. An amendment will be added to Dr. Parchuri's contract.	
Keith Gist, CRNA - Anesthesia Services	Tabled until after Executive Session	
Equipment: Electrosurgery Unit for Surgery	Ms. Cooke stated Surgery has requested the purchase of an electrosurgery unit to be used with our existing endoscopy equipment. This will be used by Dr. Salcone. It will allow him to perform minimally invasive polyp removals, as well as treatment of certain gastritis and diverticulitis conditions. The cost of this equipment is \$24,477.50. This was not budgeted, but the recent purchase of laparoscopic equipment was \$36,000 under budget. Staff is requesting that these excess funds be transferred to this purchase.	
Equipment: C-Mac Monitor and Blades	Ms. Lopez stated we currently use a C-Mac laryngoscope in the Emergency Department however, the monitor and blades have reached their end of life for service. The new C-Mac monitor and laryngeal scope has improved resolution to improve visualization of anatomy for intubations during emergent situations and care of critical patients in the Emergency Department. With improved visualization, first-attempt success rate during intubation will improve patient outcomes during critical care and emergency situations. The current monitor and blades have reached their end of life and will be costly to replace individually. The compatibility of new blade replacements with use of the old monitor cannot be guaranteed by the manufacturer and will affect the warranty to these items. Purchasing both, C-Mac and blades, will avoid purchasing separate pieces of equipment throughout the year, which delays accessibility for the ER providers. The total purchase price is \$27,137.50 which does not include extended warranty. This is typically obtained at time of maintenance expiration. The purchase for the C-Mac and blades does include the trade-in of our current equipment. This purchase will come with a 4 drawer cart, Monitor, a variety of 4 blades and connection cable.	Motion by Albert Garza, to approve the Equipment Purchases as presented, seconded by Terry Franklin. No opposition, motion carries.
Equipment: Wireless Surge Solution for Monitoring for Med/Surg Unit	Ms. Cooke stated Patient census has increased dramatically the last month with the recent COVID surge. We are now keeping patients that in the past, we would have transferred. Most of these patients require monitoring. Attached is a quote for a portable monitoring system. This will not be connected to the central monitoring system. The system is self-contained. The cost of this system is \$45,000. It was not budgeted as we did not anticipate the need for this system at the time budget was being prepared.	

Equipment: Nihon Kohden Vital Sign Monitors	<p>Ms. Cooke stated Nihon Kohden Spot Vital Monitors are used by staff in obtaining and monitoring of patient vital signs. Vital signs are needed to provide crucial information to treat patients and make accurate decisions for the patient care. These monitors are portable on a rolling stand, which allows use in all areas of the facility.</p> <p>We purchased two Spot Vital Monitors earlier this year and are proposing 3 additional monitors. These will help accommodate the need for the recent additional areas in our workflow. The areas include a trlage area outside of the ER, treatment room in ER hall and the new Regeneron Infusion area on MedSurg.</p> <p>The cost is \$11,923.14. This was not included in the budget for 2021.</p>	Motion by Albert Garza, to approve the Equipment Purchases as presented, seconded by Terry Franklin. No opposition, motion carries.
CFO Report	<p>Ms. Glisan presented the Financial Statements for the month ended July 31, 2021 for review. She noted that cash on hand for July was 392 days. July Restricted cash totaled \$4,459,817. Total patient revenue for July was \$4,810,867. July Cash Disbursement totaled \$2,097,492.82 which included \$329.45 of patient refunds.</p>	Motion by Terry Franklin, to approve the Financial Reports for July 2021, seconded by Albert Garza. No opposition, motion carries.
Community Healthcare Needs Assessment Discussion	<p>Ms. Cooke discussed the purpose of the CHNA and asked the Board members some of the questions that will be asked to the participants.</p>	
Administrative Report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Construction update - everything moving along and going good, walls are going up.</li> <li>2. Roof update - The hospital, EMS and the Bunkhouse is complete. Waiting on material to complete the barn and Home Health.</li> <li>3. Our staff has stepped up to the challenge of increased workload with the rise in COVID patients. Nursing staff from other departments have worked the floor when needed.</li> <li>4. We have begun the Regeneron Antibody infusions for COVID+ patients, we have done 15 so far and patients feel better the next day, some the same day.</li> <li>5. Marketing Update - We have put a hold on Marketing. The digital billboard in Big Spring is up and running.</li> <li>6. Recruiting - We have several positions open, in Lab, Nursing and Home Health.</li> <li>7. SHIP Grant - We received a SHIP Grant in the amount of \$250,000 for COVID Vaccine Education. We will start looking into ways to utilize the money.</li> <li>8. CMS Survey Prep - Corina has been performing mock surveys to prepare us for the actual survey next year.</li> <li>9. Buffcare - Buffcare is up and running. We have seen some patients already.</li> <li>10. Visitation Policy - As of September 1, 2021, we can limit visitors but not prohibit visitors.</li> <li>11. New signs for the new Firearm changes have been ordered.</li> <li>12. THT Virtual Meeting in included in the packet for anyone interested in attending sessions.</li> </ol>	Motion by Frances Hernandez, to approve the Administrative Report, seconded by Clay Parker. No opposition, motion carries.
Quarterly Management Plan Update	<p>Ms. Cooke gave a brief update on the status of the management plan. We have been working on the plan, still have some work to do.</p>	
Adjourn to Executive Session at 12:55p.m.		
Reconvene to Open Session at 1:46pm		
Motion on Items Discussed In Executive Session		Motion by Clay Parker, to approve the contract with Keith Gist, CRNA and proposed Remedy Pain Management contract as presented, seconded by Albert Garza. No opposition, motion carries.
Adjourn Meeting at 1:47pm		Motion by Albert Garza, to adjourn meeting, seconded by Frances Hernandez. No opposition, motion carries.

  
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