

The Deaf Smith County Hospital District Board of Directors met in a regular monthly meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room of Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Directors present: Tanner Black, Mark Collier, Bob Josserand, Mike Schueler and Chris Woodard.

Other attendees: Jeff Barnhart, CEO; Sharon Hunt, CFO; Candice Smith, CNO; Jodi Jordan, Admin Asst. and Becky Bridwell.

1. Call to Order, Pledge and Invocation.

Mike Schueler, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. Mr. Schueler led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mrs. Smith offered the Invocation.

2. Public Comment.

No comment.

3. Approval of Minutes for October 24, 2019 and November 21, 2019 Meetings.

Mr. Collier made a motion to approve October 24, 2019 and November 21, 2019 minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Woodard. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Chairman's Report

Appoint a Director to fill unexpired term of Tim Burkhalter

Mr. Josserand made a motion to appoint Becky Bridwell to fill unexpired term of Tim Burkhalter. Motion was seconded by Mr. Woodard. Motion passed unanimously.

Administration of the Oath of Office and Statement of Officers to Becky Bridwell.

The board welcomed the new board member. Jodi Jordan, a Texas Notary Public, administered the Oath of Office and Statement of Officer to Becky Bridwell.

Committee Assignments.

Mr. Josserand made a motion to reappoint all officers for 2019-2020. Committee assignments will be made at a later date. Mr. Black seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Chief Financial Officers Report

Presentation of financial statements for October, November and December 2019

Sharon Hunt, CFO presented the financial reports for the month of October, November and December. The district realized a net gain in December of \$206,845, which is above budget and higher than last year's bottom line, which showed a net loss of \$88,263 for the year. Mrs. Hunt answered questions from the Board. Mr. Woodard made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Josserand. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Chief Executive Officer Report

Revisions to Deaf Smith County Hospital District Employee Handbook

Mr. Barnhart, CEO presented the revisions to Deaf Smith County Hospital District Employee Handbook to the board and explained the reason for the updates. Mr. Barnhart, Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. Smith answered questions from the board. Mr. Collier made a motion to approve the revisions. Mr. Woodard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Review and approve bid on parking lot repairs.

Mr. Barnhart presented two bids for the parking lot repairs to the board. Both bids, Doug Caperton and Lone Star Constructions were from September and November 2019. After discussions about the companies and the bids, the board would like rebids.

Physician Recruitment

Mr. Barnhart gave a brief update to the board regarding recruitment of physicians for our clinic. Mr. Barnhart is excited to announce that Dr. Davies verbally accepted a position in our clinic. She is out of the country but will be back the first week of February to sign paperwork.

Marketing Report

Mr. Barnhart gave a brief update on marketing plan with Groundswell Health. Groundswell Health has been promoting us on social media and will highlight our Medicare Wellness Center and clinic. Mr. Barnhart explained it is a good time to promote the hospital and the positive things going on here.

Report of Roof Project

Mr. Barnhart updated the board on the roof project with Rhynehart Roofing. The project is almost complete without any big issues.

Chief Nursing Officers Report

Review and approve HRMC nursing department policies and procedures.

Mrs. Smith presented updated DSCHD nursing department policies and procedures along with two new policies relating to the OB department. Mrs. Smith answered questions to the policies. Mr. Jossierand made a motion to approve the DSCHD nursing policies on the recommendation of the staff and the policies are written based on best practices and in compliance with regulations. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Bridwell. Motion passed unanimously.

Patient Satisfaction Survey

Candice Smith, CNO presented the most recent HCAHPS from J.L. Morgan with the board. She explained the issues we are currently having with the scores and also the successes. Mrs. Smith answered multiple questions from the board.

7. Executive Session.

At 6:40 pm, Mr. Schueler announced that a closed meeting would be held pursuant to Tex. Government Code 161.032 Appointments/ Reappointments of Medical Staff, and Non-Physician Clinical Providers to Hereford Regional Medical Center, pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code 161.032 & 161.0315 and Tex. Occup Code 160.07; Tex. Gov't Code 551.074, 551.078, 551.0785, 551.085 and 551.089 Presentation of Quality Reports also Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code 551.074 Yearly evaluation of DSCHD CEO.

At 7:40 pm, Mr. Black made a motion to reconvene into open session. Mrs. Bridwell seconded the motion. Motion passed. The following action was taken Mr. Woodard made a motion to appoint, reappoint, and voluntary resignations of the following providers except Dr. East:

Initial Appointments:

Provisional Status- November 2019

Caire, Samuel, MD – Emergency Medicine

Canchola, Samuel, MD – Emergency Medicine

East, David, DO – Emergency Medicine (Reg Flag)

Zekri, Sana, MD – Emergency Medicine

Provisional Status- January 2020

Chamblee, Cobra, DO – Emergency Medicine (Red Flag)

Hansen, Caom, MD – Emergency Medicine

Lynn-Macrae, Alastair, MD – Otolaryngology

McElaney, Patrick, MD – Emergency Medicine

Sexton, Jonathon, DO – Emergency Medicine

Turkowski, Walter, MD – Emergency Medicine (Red Flag)

Reappointment: November 2019

Consulting Status

Cox, Lane, MD - Cardiology

Voluntary Resignations

Barnes, Layne, DO – resigned moved

Hughes, Charles, MD – Emergency Medicine

Reappointment: January 2020

Active Status

Johnson, Howard, MD – Family Practice/OB

Consulting Status:

Andrews, John, MD – Radiology

Aragon, Gary, MD – Radiology

Clark, Crandon, MD – Radiology

Hall, Michael, MD – Radiology

Hashmi, Arouj, MD - Radiology

Hurly, James, MD – Pathology

Shah, Rakesh, MD – Radiology

Waugh, Kimberly, MD – Radiology

Zarian, Lawrence, MD – Radiology

Voluntary Resignations:

Rogers, Gregory, MD – Emergency Medicine

Motion was seconded by Mr. Black. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Josserrand made a motion to approve recommendation of CEO evaluation committee. Motion was seconded by Mr. Black. Motion passed.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. The motion was made by Mr. Woodard. Motion seconded by Mr. Collier. Motion passed unanimously.



Mike Schueler, President