

The Deaf Smith County Hospital District Board of Directors met in a regular monthly meeting on Thursday June 24, 2021, at 5:30 pm in the Education Room of Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Directors present: Tanner Black, Cynthia Cooper, Mike Schueler and Chris Woodard.

Other attendees: Jeff Barnhart, CEO; Javier Vallejo, CFO; Candice Smith, CNO; Jodi Jordan, Admin Asst.; Christina Lucio, Happy State Bank; Jim Steiert, Hereford Brand; Dr. Trevor Rohm, Medical Director.

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 offered the invitation.

2. Public Comment

No public comments.

3. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Black made a motion to approve the April 22, 2021, board minutes. Motion was seconded by Mr. Woodard. Motion carried.

4. Medical Staff Report – Dr. Rohm

Dr. Rohm gave an update on COVID statistics and vaccination efforts, The State FEMA staff have been a great resource with the overflow of patients during out peak months. He reported that we are currently recruiting Nurse Practitioners to replace a couple of positions and for FPOB.

5. Chief Financial Officers Report

Review and approve financial statements and statistical reported for period ending April 30, 2021, and May 31, 2021.

Mr. Vallejo presented the financial statements and statistical reports related to income, expenses, and budgeted operations for the periods ending April 30, 2021, and May 31, 2021. For the month of April, the district had a net gain of \$1,138,521 for the month, which was above budget and prior year. This gain was attributed to the recognition of grant revenue from Covid expenditures. Year to date, the hospital has a net gain of \$4,765,654 which is higher than prior year and budget. For the month of May, the district had a net gain of \$2,900,826 for the month, which is above budget and prior year. This gain was attributed to the recognition of grant revenue from Covid expenditures and the forgiveness of PPP loans. Year to date, the district has a net gain of \$7,666,480, which is higher than prior year and budget. Mr. Woodard made a motion to accept both April and May's financials as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Cooper. Motion carried.

Review and approve to seek bids for banking services.

Jeff Barnhart and Mike Schueler left the room while discussing and approving banking services.

Mr. Barnhart has a relative as a Happy State Bank Officer and Mr. Schueler is the President at First Bank Southwest Hereford Branch.

Mr. Vallejo presented the submitted bid proposals to the board. Mr. Vallejo received bid packets from three local banks, Happy State Bank, First Financial Bank and First Bank Southwest. His

recommendation to the board was to accept the bid of First bank Southwest. His recommendation is due to the bank’s attention to detail and signing the proposal, offering remote deposit and waiving related service charges. Mr. Vallejo answered all questions from the board. Mr. Black made a motion to switch banks and based on the recommendation of Mr. Vallejo to move business to First Bank Southwest. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Bridwell. Motion carried.

6. Chief Executive Officers Report
Physician Recruitment

Mr. Barnhart updated the board on physician recruitment. He continues working with a recruiting company to recruit a Family Practice/Obstetrics physician.

Hospital/Clinic connector corridor project Bids

Mr. Barnhart gave a brief update on the project and the timeline for the project’s bids and start date. The bids were reviewed and considered. Mr. Barnhart answered all questions from the board relating to the project and bids. Mrs. Bridwell made a motion to approve Wily Hicks bid as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Woodard. Motion carried.

7. ADT Notification Policy and Procedure – Jodi Jordan

Mrs. Jordan presented the new ADT Notification Policy and Procedure to the board. She answered all questions relating to the policy. Mr. Black made a motion to approve the policy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Woodard. Motion carried.

8. Chief Nursing Officer Report – Mrs. Smith

Mrs. Smith presented updated HRMC departmental policies and procedures, then answered questions related to the policies. Mr. Woodard made a motion to approve the HRMC policies on the recommendation of the staff that the policies are written based on best practices and in compliance with regulations. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Bridwell. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

At 6:44 pm, Mr. Schueler announced that a closed meeting would be held pursuant to Tex. Gov Code 161.032, Tex. Gov Code 551.071 and Health and Safety Code 161.032. At 7:10 pm, Mr. Black made a motion to reconvened in open session. Motion was seconded by Mr. Woodard

The following action was taken:

Mrs. Bridwell made a motion to reappoint, appoint and voluntary resignation the following providers:

Initial Appointment: Reappointment - May

Consulting Status

Thetford, David, MD – Emergency Medicine

Voluntary Resignations

Kizzart, Jerome, MD – Emergency Medicine

Khan, Imtiaz, MD – Emergency Medicine

Lindquest, Samuel, MD – Emergency Medicine

Poage, Frederick, MD – Emergency Medicine

Initial Appointment

Provisional

Tran, Michael, DPM - Podiatry

Voluntary Resignations

Algilani, Kamran, MD – Emergency Medicine

Attia, Khaled, MD – Emergency Medicine

Caire, Samuel, MD – Emergency Medicine

Ireland, Rhiana, MD – Emergency Medicine

Kaya, Dersim, MD – Emergency Medicine

McElaney, Patrick, MD – Emergency Medicine

Turkowski, Walter, MD – Emergency Medicine

Mrs. Cooper seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Adjournment

Mr. Woodard made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Black seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.



Mike Schuler, Board Chairman