

The Deaf Smith County Hospital District Board of Directors met in a regular monthly meeting on Thursday July 25, 2024, at 5:30 pm in the Board Room of Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Directors present: Tanner Black, Becky Bridwell, Kevin Bunch, Tim Laws, and Chris Woodard.

Other attendees: Candice Smith, CEO; Paul Gafford, CFO; Kristin De Los Santos, Interim CNO; Jodi Jordan, Admin Asst.; Jim Steiert, Hereford Brandal Director.

1. Call to Order, Pledge, and Invocation

Kevin Bunch, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Mr. Bunch led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the invitation.

2. Public Comment

No public comments.

3. Chairman Report

Order of General Elections

Mr. Woodard made a motion to approve the order of general election for Deaf Smith County Hospital District. Motion was seconded by Mr. Black. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Purcella made a motion to approve June 24, 2024, board minutes. Motion was seconded by Mr. Woodard. Motion carried.

4. Chief Financial Officers Report

Review and approve of presentation of financial statements.

Mr. Gafford presented the June 2024 month end financial statements along with comparative statistical graphs for the nine months ended June 30th. The net income for the month is \$37K. Medicaid supplemental payments are up as the final DSH IGT has been made for fiscal 2024 and the monthly estimate is adjusted accordingly. June is a good month for operating revenues with a \$275K increase in net patient service revenue over last June. The loss from operations is (\$653k), but that is a \$381k improvement over last June and \$209k favorable budget variance. Mrs. Bridwell made a motion to approve the financials presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Woodard. The motion carried.

5. Chief Executive Officers Report

Physician Recruitment

Mrs. Smith Gave a brief update on physician recruitment and have been looking at a suitable FPOB. Continue with search with recruiters.

TORCH Conference Panel Discussion

Mrs. Smith will be attending the TORCH conference in September and has been asked to discuss our RNEC program on the panel.

Executive Session

At 6:02 pm, Mr. Bunch 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 6:59 pm, Mrs. Bridwell made a motion to reconvene in open session. Motion was seconded by Mr. Laws

The following action was taken:

Mr. Woodard made a motion to reappoint, appoint and voluntary resignation the following providers:

Physician Initial or Reappointment

Advancement

Larry McCullough, MD – OB/GYN
Alejandro Toscano, DO – Emergency Medicine
Amin Valdes, MD – Emergency Medicine
Gage Agers, DO – Radiology
Tadeusz Ciszak, MD – Radiology
Megha Kureti, MD – Radiology
William Parker, MD - Radiology

Allied Health

Initial Appointment

Provisional

Samantha Dominguez, NP
Tina Leasure, CRNA
Peggy Smith, CRNA

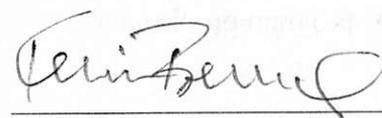
Advancement

George Gauamis, CRNA – Nurse Anesthetist

Mrs. Bridwell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Adjournment

Mr. Laws made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Black seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.



Kevin Bunch, Board Chairman