DSHD Hereford Regional Medical Center
DEAF SMITH COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2023

The Deaf Smith County Hospital District Board of Directors met in a regular monthly meeting on Thursday April 17, 2023 at 5:30 pm in the Board Room of Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Directors present: Tanner Black, Kevin Bunch, Carla Purcella, Mike Schueler, Chris Woodard, and Uriel Villa.
Other attendees: Jeff Barnhart, CEO; Paul Gafford, CFO; Candice Smith, CNO; Jodi Jordan, Admin Asst.; Dr. Trevor Rohm, Medical Director.

1. **Call to Order, Pledge, and Invocation**
Mike Schueler, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Schueler led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. Bunch offered the invitation.

2. **Public Comment**
No public comments.

3. **Approval of Minutes**
Mr. Black made a motion to approve the March 22, 2023 board minutes. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bunch. Motion carried.

4. **Chief Financial Officers Report**
Review and approve financial statements and statistical reports for period ending March 31, 2023.
Mr. Gafford presented March financial information. The financial package included statistical data, balance sheets, and statements of revenue and expense with prior year comparisons and budget comparisons. Stats show a continued declining inpatient census and an increasing outpatient volume. Financial indicators continue to show a strong days cash on hand and current ratio. The month ended March 31, 2023, was a net gain of $324,423 and for the year a net gain of $363,060. Mr. Woodard made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Mrs. Purcella seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Review and approve Presentation of the Financial Year End Audit – Debra Whitley, Forvis.
Deborah Whitley, CPA, Forvis presented the audit. She answered questions from the board regarding several audit items. Mr. Bunch made a motion to approve the audit as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Black. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **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.

6. **Chief Nursing Officer Report** – Mrs. Smith
Mrs. Smith presented updated HRMC departmental policies and procedures, then answered questions related to the policies. Mr. Black 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. Purcella. Motion passed unanimously.

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7. **Medical Staff Report – Dr. Rohm**
Dr. Rohm gave an update on statistics for the clinic and the hospital. We have slowed down over the last month or two. The district has decreased inpatients and our clinic/outpatient has increased. The summer months the district is typically slow across the district.

8. **Adjournment**
Mr. Woodard made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Black seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.

Mike Schuler, Board Chairman