DEAF SMITH COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT — Hereford Regional Medical Center

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 23, 2024

The Deaf Smith County Hospital District Board of Directors met in a regular monthly meeting on Thursday May 23, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Board Room of Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Directors present: Tim Laws, Carla Purcella, Chris Woodard, and Uriel Villa.
Other attendees: Candice Smith, CEO, Paul Gafford, CFO, Kristin Delossantos, CNO.

1. **Call to Order, Pledge, and Invocation**
   Chris Woodard, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Mr. Laws led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the invitation.

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

3. **Approval of Minutes**
   Mrs. Purcella made a motion to approve the April 25, 2024 board minutes. Motion was seconded by Mr. Villa. Motion carried.

4. **Chief Financial Officers Report**
   Review and approve financial statements and statistical reports for period ending April 30, 2024.
   Mr. Gafford presented April's financial information. The financial package included statistical data, balance sheets, and statements of revenue and expense with prior year comparisons and budget comparisons. HRMC experienced improved acute patient days, RHC visits, and Rehab/PT visits this month compared with last April. The month was highlighted by the receipt of Disproportionate Share (DSH) funds and improved collections on patient receivables after the Change Healthcare cyberattack slowed billing and care authorization portals. Operating expenses exceeded revenues which resulted in a ($538,303) operating loss for the month which is a $39K improvement over last April. Non-operating revenue of $684,619 brings the net gain to $146,316 for the month. Mr. Villa made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Mrs. Purcella seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **Chief Executive Officers Report**
   Fair Market Value Analysis
   Mrs. Smith presented the Fair Market Value Analysis contract. The scope of services for fair market value compensation study will be performed of the expected contractual compensation using far market value standard of value. The analysis could be subject to different interpretations, however the approach documented in the contract will be based on supportable market evidence, when available, and contain analyses of relevant factors. At the end of the work a written report will be submitted to the district explaining the approach, evaluation of the various factors, and the conclusion of the accuracy of the pools as outlined in the agreement. The report will be for regulatory compliance purposes. Mrs. Smith and Mr. Gafford answered all questions relating to the analysis. Mr. Laws made a motion to approve the analysis as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Villa. Motion carried unanimously.

Update on Federal Grant for Surgical Robotic Equipment
Mr. Smith also reported on the status of the surgical robot equipment. Committee. The grant is still unknown to the District till the end of July. Ronnie Jackson staff with Texas Tech will visit the facility to evaluate the needs.

6. **Chief Nursing Officer Report**
Review and approve HRMC Department Polices and Procedures
Mrs. Delossantos presented HRMC policies and procedures approvals to the board. She presented a summary of changes and answered the board's questions. Mrs. Purcella approved of the Policies and Procedures as presented. Mr. Laws seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

7. **Executive Session**
At 6:04 pm, Mr. Woodard 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 and Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code 551.074. At 6:24 pm, Mr. Laws made a motion to reconvene in open session. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Purcella.

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

Initial Appointments- Provisional Status
Calles, Pedro, DO – Emergency Medicine
Tatah, Andrew, MD - Emergency Medicine
Turney, Matthew, MD - Emergency Medicine
Reappointment
Active Status
Rohm, Trevor, MD – Family Medicine
Courtesy Status
Lynn-Macrae. Alastair, MD – Otolaryngology
Consulting Status
Volger, Phillip, PA – Radiology
Lennard, Luke, MD – Radiology
Mehta, Nilay, MD – Radiology
Advancement
Agers, Gage, MD – Radiology
Kureti, Magha, MD – Radiology
Parker, William MD – Radiology
Voluntary Resignations
Sbar, Alan, MD – General Surgery
Rivera, Servando, MD – Emergency Medicine
Hawes, Ashley, MD – Family Medicine
Nwoye, Chisom, MD - Emergency Medicine
Allied Health Initial Appointment – Provisional
Gammon, Sharleen, NP – Nurse Practitioner

Mrs. Purcella seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Adjournment

Mrs. Purcella made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Villa. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

The next meeting of the Deaf Smith County Hospital District will be determined at the June 27, 2024 meeting.

Chris Woodard, Board Vice Chairman