



Board of Trustees Meeting
Regular Meeting
May 25th, 2023
Minutes
10:00 am

Members Present:

Rod Waeckerlin, *President*
Mark Kostovny, *Vice President*
Jerry Steele, *Secretary*
Gary Goergen, *Treasurer*
Lisa Engstrom, *Member (Via Zoom)*

Absent Members:

Administration:

Rex Walk, *Interim Chief Executive Officer*
Wayne Colson, *Interim Chief Financial Officer*

Guests:

Abbi Forwood, *Legal Counsel (via Zoom)*
Lena Moeller, *Legal Counsel (via Zoom)*
Woody White, *Ovation Healthcare Senior VP Finance (via Zoom)*

Rod Waeckerlin, President, called the Memorial Hospital of Carbon County Board of Trustees meeting to order at 10:01am. The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence in recognition of those affected by COVID-19 followed. President Waeckerlin took a moment to thank Mr. Harman for his years of service to MHCC.

Approval of Agenda:

Mark Kostovny made a motion, and Jerry Steele seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Board of Trustees Open Session Minutes from April 27th, 2023:

Mark Kostovny made a motion, and Jerry Steele seconded the motion to accept the minutes from the regular meeting on April 27th, 2023 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Meet and Greet: Rex Walk, *Interim Chief Financial Officer*

- President Waeckerlin welcomed and introduced Mr. Walk to the Board of Trustees and those attending on Zoom. A brief biography was provided. Mr. Walk then took the opportunity to thank Mr. Harman for taking the time to brief Mr. Walk on any ongoing projects and other happenings.

Employee Recognition presented by Rod Waeckerlin, *Board President*:

- President Waeckerlin recognized Aimee Hickman, as May Employee of the Month. Aimee represents the heart of MHCC by continually going above and beyond to help others.

Medical Staff Report presented by John Lumb, *MD, Chief of Staff*:

- There was not a Medical Staff Report presented this month.

Financial Report presented by Wayne Colson, *Interim Chief Financial Officer*:

- Mr. Colson asked if the Board of Trustees would honor reviewing the financial report in Executive Session as there is sensitive information that needs to be discussed. The Board agreed with Mr. Colson's request.

Motion to Recess Board of Trustees Public Meeting to go to Executive Session:

Lisa Engstrom made a motion, and Jerry Steele seconded the motion to move the Board of Trustees to Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Recess Board of Trustees Public Meeting for Executive Session:

Lisa Engstrom made a motion, and Jerry Steele seconded the motion to recess the Board of Trustees Public Meeting for Executive Session at 10:15 am. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board convened to Executive Session at 10:15 am to discuss personnel issues and to consider or receive any information classified as confidential by law.

Resume Board of Trustees Public Meeting:

Mark Kostovny made a motion, and Jerry Steele seconded the motion to resume the Board of Trustees Public Meeting at 3:35 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report (Continued) presented by Wayne Colson, *Interim Chief Financial Officer*:

- Mr. Colson provided a brief financial report to the Board of Trustees. Mr. Colson stated there are three major vendors that MHCC owes significant money to; Ovation Healthcare, Cerner (Oracle) and MedHost. Extra cash collected is going towards these vendors to allow MHCC to catch up on late payments.

Mr. Colson stated there is progress being made with the AR. Wound Care Clinic charges have been fixed and accounts are ready for billing. There was a discussion regarding the difference in reimbursement for a hospital based service versus a clinic based service. Mr. Walk stated a committee will be formed going forward to bring in and start new services to allow for a cleaner set up.

Mr. Colson also made the Board aware of the recent payroll, which amounted to \$550,000. Mr. Goergen inquired about the amount, seeking clarification as to why it was so high, even with the current open positions. Mr. Colson stated many employees had overtime hours due to staffing shortages. This is an area that needs attention as it is currently a large problem. Mr. Colson suggested managers better monitor contract labor and overtime in their departments.

Mark Kostovny made a motion, and Gary Goergen seconded the motion to approve the financial summary as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Kostovny made a motion, and Gary Goergen seconded the motion to approve the vouchers for period ending April 30th, 2023 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

At this time, the Board decided they would cover item A under New Business, approve Credentialing and other provider contracts presented during Executive Session. The Board will decide on a date to reconvene to cover the remaining items.

New Business:

- **Bank Account Authorization Changes, Wayne Colson, *Interim Chief Financial Officer***
Mr. Colson asked the Board to approve the removal of former Chief Financial Officer, Jon Smith and former Chief Executive Officer, Ken Harman to be removed from any bank accounts with Memorial Hospital of Carbon County. Mr. Colson requested he and Mr. Walk be added to the authorization cards and bank accounts for Memorial Hospital of Carbon County.
 - Bank of Commerce
 - Rawlins National Bank
 - US Bank
 - Pinnacle Bank (BHG Lending)
 - Bank of the West

Gary Goergen made a motion, and Lisa Engstrom seconded the motion to remove Mr. Smith and Mr. Harman from the MHCC bank accounts and approved adding Mr. Colson and Mr. Walk to the accounts and authorization cards for the above banks. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Discussion/Citizen Participation:

- Mr. Waeckerlin stated he would like to have further discussion about selling the Visiting Specialist Clinic building in the next Board meeting.

New Business Continued:

- **Credentialing:**
 1. Vincent Hinshaw, DO, Emergency Medicine – Recommend Reappointment to Courtesy Staff.
 2. Abdur Khan, MD, Cardiology (EKG reads) – Recommend Reappointment to Courtesy Staff
 3. Alicia Bennett, DO, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 4. Ray Bogitch, MD, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 5. Christopher Fanale, MD Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 6. Saad Mir, MD, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 7. Maninder Kaur, MD, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 8. Ira Chang, MD, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 9. Elizabeth North, DO, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 10. Jeffrey Wagner, MD, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 11. Kouros Kakheshani, DO, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 12. Lise Labiche, MD, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff
 13. Richard Monroe, MD, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff

14. Umair Saeed, MD, Neurology (Telestroke) – Recommend Appointment to Telemedicine Staff

Mark Kostovny made a motion, and Jerry Steele seconded the motion to accept the Medical Executive Committee’s recommendation to approve credentialing privileges for the individuals listed above and as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Employment Contracts**

1. Dr. Christopher Williams

Jerry Steele made a motion, and Gary Goergen seconded the motion to approve the Employment Contract for Dr. Christopher Williams. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Gary Goergen made a motion, and Mark Kostovny seconded the motion to adjourn the Board of Trustees public meeting at 3:46 pm and to reconvene on June 6th, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

The next Board of Trustees meeting will reconvene on June 6th, 2023.

Respectfully submitted.

Abbie Webster, *Executive Assistant*

Jerry Steele, Board of Trustees, *Secretary*