

Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Lori Penner
Jeff Yarrow
Richard Cott
Sandy Fox
Terri Parry

OTHER PERSONS PRESENT

Austin Gillard, CEO
Erin Kurtz, CFO

CALL TO ORDER

Lori Penner called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Lori Penner asked if there were any corrections to the board minutes from July 10, 2023. Motion made by Richard Cott, seconded by Jeff Yarrow, to approve the board minutes from the July 10, 2023 board meeting. Motion carried 3-0. Terri Parry joined the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

AGENDA REVIEW

Add: Executive Session

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to add

ERIN KURTZ, CFO

- a. Cash Receipts & Disbursements for June 2023
Erin Kurtz presented the Cash Receipts and Disbursements for June 2023.
- b. Financial Review for June 2023
Erin Kurtz presented the Financials for June 2023. After discussion, motion made by Terri Parry, seconded by Sandy Fox, to approve the Cash Receipts & Disbursements and Financials for June 2023 as presented. Motion carried 4-0.
- c. The Midland Group
Erin Kurtz reviewed a performance report from The Midland Group. In June, we helped 15 patients qualify for public benefits, completed six financial assistance applications, and completed 244 zero interest payment plans for our patients.
- d. Revenue Neutral Rate Public Hearing
The Revenue Neutral Rate Public Hearing will be on September 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center. CCMC will not be increasing our mill levy on county tax payers.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Meadowlark Hospice HVAC
Austin Gillard presented a quote for \$19,875 from Central Mechanical for the removal and replacement of two furnaces and condensers at Meadowlark Hospice. One unit has failed and the other unit is well over 15 years old. After discussion, motion made by Sandy Fox, seconded by Richard Cott, to approve the quote for \$19,875 as presented. Motion carried 4-0.
- b. Credentialing
The board reviewed the credentialing files recommended by Medical Staff for the following:
Active
None

Courtesy

Adam Chase, MD – Ortho - Reappointment
Daniel Hulse, MD – Radiology - Reappointment
Felipe Rosso, MD – Urology – Reappointment
Fadi Bedros, MD – Nephrology – Reappointment
Jack Jones, MD – Cardiology – Reappointment
Patrik Leonard, MD – Radiology – Reappointment

Allied Health

Pamela Brabec, APRN – Family Practice - Reappointment
Angela Riesen, APRN – Emergency Medicine – Reappointment
Lisa Price, PAC – Ortho – Reappointment
Nicole Samuelson, AuD – Audiology – Reappointment

CRNA

Gregg Rickabaugh, CRNA – Nurse Anesthetist – Reappointment

After discussion, motion made by Sandy Fox, seconded by Terri Parry, to approve the credentialing files recommended by Medical Staff as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

AUSTIN GILLARD, CEO

- a. Top 8 In Kansas – Nurse Communication
Congratulations to our inpatient nursing team! Clay County Medical Center was recognized as one of eight hospitals in Kansas with a five star rating for nurse communication. The nurse communication star rating combines data from three HCAHPS survey questions and summarizes how well patients feel that their nurses explained things clearly, listened carefully to the patient, and treated the patient with courtesy and respect.
- b. CMS, Mental Health, and Rural Hospital Innovation Grant
CMS did not approve a new location for mental health services in Clay County. The state did ask Austin Gillard to talk with the Rural Hospital Innovation Grant Program Analyst, Andy Jones, about funding options for a mental health building addition to Clay Center Family Physicians (CCFP). Andy said these grant funds could be used for the building addition and would pay for 33% of the project. SPT Architecture is going to draw a few options of adding four mental health offices, a Deep TMS room, reception area, and lobby. This addition would be located to the south of CCFP and would remove the front parking spaces. We also found out that Mental Health Counselors will now be covered as a RHC Provider beginning January 1, 2024.
- c. WPS Targeted Probe and Education (TPE) – Pain Management
Since September 2022, WPS has requested to review 25 claims as part of the TPE review process. 14 claims were accepted and 7 claims were denied in part, and 4 claims were denied in full. WPS will be auditing around 20 more pain management claims starting in August 2023. We should not have any further denials due to working with Flint Hills Pain Management on more concise documentation.
- d. Technical College
Austin Gillard met with Greg Nichols, President of Salina Area Technical College last week. Greg is going to talk with his Board of Trustees this week about a possible satellite location in Clay Center. If approved by his Board of Trustees, Greg will reach out to Manhattan Area Technical College for permission to enter Clay County since this area is in the Manhattan Area Technical College district. If they all agree, it will move to the nine-member Kansas Board of Regents for approval. This process could take nine months or longer.
- e. General Update
 - Austin Gillard will serve as the President of the Kansas Association of Health Care Executives in 2024. This association is the Kansas chapter of the American College of Health Care Executives.
 - The following specialty medical providers will stop visiting Clay County Medical Center:
 - Dr. Raymond Dattilo, Vascular Disease Specialist. He was not busy enough.
 - Dr. Eric Carlson, Medical Oncologist/Hematologist. He is moving to Missouri.
 - Dr. Travis Koeneke, Medical Oncologist/Hematologist. Since Dr. Carlson is moving, he will be the only provider in their Manhattan location and not have time for satellite locations.
 - When we were replacing the water culvert, we found out that our water main pipe to the building had a small leak. We are waiting on a bid to replace the water main pipe. The pipe is over 60 years old.

- Congratulations to Meadowlark Hospice for ranking second best in Kansas when it comes to quality care! This is out of 36 other non-profit hospice organizations in Kansas.
- United Parcel Service (UPS) contract negotiations with the Teamsters Union is ongoing. The current contract between these parties expires July 31, 2023. If the contract does expire and the Teamsters Union goes on strike, many of UPS's non-union U.S. employees could help UPS safely serve their customers. CCMC uses UPS for around 80 percent of our drug and various other items.

Motion made by Sandy Fox, seconded by Jeff Yarrow, for the board to enter executive session for a period of five minutes, from 9:40 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. in order to discuss negotiations with outside providers, which includes data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships, as permitted under K.S.A. 75-4319(5).

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: August 14 at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Austin M. Gillard