

Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Lori Penner
Jeff Yarrow
Richard Cott
Terri Parry
Sandy Fox

OTHER PERSONS PRESENT

Austin Gillard, CEO
Angela Kobel, CFO
Dr. John Kelley, CMO

CALL TO ORDER

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

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Lori Penner asked if there were any corrections to the board minutes from September 8, 2025.

Motion made by Richard Cott, seconded by Jeff Yarrow, to approve the board minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

AGENDA REVIEW

Nothing to add

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to add

ANGELA KOBEL, CFO

- a. Cash Receipts & Disbursements for August 2025

Angela Kobel presented the cash receipts and disbursements for August 2025.

- b. Financial Review for August 2025

Angela Kobel presented the financials for August 2025. After discussion, motion made Terri Parry, seconded by Sandy Fox, to approve the cash receipts and disbursements and financials as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Scottcare Workstation

Austin Gillard presented a quote from Scottcare for a new workstation. The cost is \$9,693. With Microsoft ending support for Windows 10 in October 2025, we need to replace the main ScottCare workstation in Cardiac. Because the ScottCare software is licensed to a single machine, this requires the purchase of a complete new system with updated software. ScottCare will handle migration of all data from the old system, configure the existing interface, and provide one hour of training on the new features. After discussion, motion made Sandy Fox, seconded by Richard Cott, to approve the Scottcare Workstation for a cost of \$9,693. Motion carried 4-0.

- b. Camera Server

Austin Gillard presented a quote for a new camera/video server. The cost is \$10,253.36. We recommend replacing one of our two video surveillance servers, which has been in continuous use since 2017. To maintain reliability, support future growth, and reduce the risk of system failure, we propose replacing the server. After discussion, motion made Richard Cott, seconded by Terri Parry, to replace the camera server from 2017 for a cost of \$10,253.36. Motion carried 4-0.

- c. Water Heaters – Laundry & Wellness Center Building
Austin Gillard presented a quote for two new 100-gallon hot water heaters. We received three bids. Central Mechanical for \$43,200. Kruse Corporation for \$41,875. Mel's Pump & Plumbing for \$43,934.10. The current hot water heaters are a 2005 model. Heater #1 has the bottom rusting out and the igniter is starting to corrode away. Heater #2 has the bottom rusting out and broken ceramic on igniter. At the end of this year, they will stop making this model, so part will be very hard to find. New hot water heaters will supply 40 gallons more of water per hour with like equipment. If these hot water heaters went down, it would shut hot water off to laundry and the 2-story wellness center building. Laundry would have to be outsourced out at a speculated cost of \$800 per week. After discussion, motion made Terri Parry, seconded by Sandy Fox, to replace the two hot water heaters by Kruse Corporation for a cost of \$41,875. Motion carried 4-0.
- d. Nihon Kohden Bedside Monitors
Austin Gillard presented a quote for eight new Nihon Kohden Bedside Monitors. The cost is \$36,590.64. The current monitors are a 2014 model that are end-of-life. The warranty expires at the end of February 2026. We use these monitors for vital signs and 12 lead EKG in ER, med-surg, and other clinical locations. Nihon Kodan has a lead time of 90 days to receive these new monitors, so ordering now is ideal before our current monitors are no longer supported. After discussion, motion made Sandy Fox, seconded by Richard Cott, to purchase eight new Nihon Kohden Bedside Monitors for a cost of \$36,590.64. Motion carried 4-0.
- e. Water Heater – Hospital
Austin Gillard presented two quotes for a new water heater for the main hospital, OR, and OB. The current hot water heater tank leaks and we are running on our backup water heater. These water heaters are dual fuel (natural gas and diesel) due to CMS requirements. Unfortunately, we cannot replace the leaking tank, the manufacturer stopped making this water heater years ago. Central Mechanical sent us a quote for \$179,250. Kruse Corporation sent us a quote for \$113,960. The hot water heater alone is just over \$87,000 of the cost. A crane is needed to remove the old water heater and to lift the new water heater into the mechanical penthouse on the roof. After discussion, motion made Richard Cott, seconded by Terri Parry, to replace the hospital water heater by Kruse Corporation for a cost of \$113,960. Motion carried 4-0.
- f. Vaccine Policies
Austin Gillard presented three policies for approval for our new vaccine and immunization service line. These policies were approved by our medical staff and KDHE. The policies are 1) Vaccine for Children Storage and Handling, 2) Private Stock Storage and Handling, and 3) Routine Vaccine Storage and Handling Plan. Motion made Jeff Yarrow, seconded by Terri Parry, to approve the policies as presented. Motion carried 4-0.
- g. Credentialing
The board reviewed the credentialing files recommended by the Medical Staff for the following:
Active Staff
David Larson, MD - Family Medicine, Reappointment
Timothy Penner, MD - Family Medicine, Reappointment
Courtesy Staff
Justin Kerby, MD - Radiology, Reappointment
Patrik Leonard, MD - Radiology, Reappointment
Bashar Ababneh, MD - Cardiology, Initial Appointment, SMV Proxy
Steven Seals, MD - Cardiology, Initial Appointment, SMV Proxy
Paul McGinnis, MD - Psychiatry, Reappointment, SLS Proxy
Allied Health
Kayla Dieball, APRN – Orthopedics, Reappointment
Danielle Rothfuss, APRN – Emergency, Reappointment
Motion made by Sandy Fox, seconded by Jeff Yarrow, to approve the credentialing files recommended by the Medical Staff. Motion carried 4-0.

AUSTIN GILLARD, CEO

- a. CMS 5-star Cleanliness
Congratulations to our EVS team for making CCMC one of the cleanest hospitals in the nation! CCMC has earned a coveted 5-star cleanliness rating from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. CCMC is one of only 368 hospitals nationwide to achieve this top honor.

b. Rural Health Transformation Program

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA), signed into law July 4, established the Rural Health Transformation Program, which appropriates \$50 billion in funding for rural health care delivery, with \$10 billion allocated each year for fiscal years 2026 through 2030. Half of the funding will be equally distributed among all states with an approved application. The other half of the funds will be distributed in a method determined by CMS, taking into account state metrics related to rural health. The Kansas Hospital Association and the State of Kansas are working on the application together at this time. The deadline for states to apply is November 5. There is only one application opportunity for this program. CMS will announce awardees by December 31, 2025. More details to come.

c. Mammography Machine

Our current mammography machine is going on eight years old. This machine will need to be replaced soon and costs are coming in a little over \$360,000. Eight years ago, we purchased the current mammography machine for \$262,000.

d. Construction Update

We will start a few demo item in the physical therapy space this week. Work in this area will really pickup next week. Over at Riley Family Physicians, everything is going very well. The building is 'dried in' and Austin will complete a box walk later this week. FF&E is in the process of being ordered for the physical therapy and Riley Family Physicians.

e. General Update

- We have two family practice residents interviewing for the second time in a few weeks.
- Linda Bott, FNP-C is still on track to start with us in November 2025.
- Salina Tech and Austin are still talking with USD 379 on more college credits being offered. Especially around welding, construction, etc. Austin would like to see a satellite campus of a tech college in Clay Center within the next five years.
- In January 2026, we will start conversations and gather pricing for a new Da Vinci 5 surgical robot.
- OSMC will move over to the new CCFP space in November. We expect our first total knee replacement to occur in December 2025.
- Dr. Kelley and Austin will be attending the Kansas Career Opportunities Health Care Career Fair in Wichita on Thursday. This is a great opportunity to meet with medical residents and medical students in the Wichita area.
- Via Christi Hospital in Manhattan lost their 340B status. Due to this change, they will no longer be providing infusion services for several medications. This list includes: Actemra, Cimzia, Entyvio, Evenity, Fasenra, Inflectra, Nucala, Ocrevus, Orencia, Prolia, Skyrizi, Stelara, Truxima, Tysabri, Vyepti, and Xolair
- Federal fiscal year 2025 ends Tuesday, Sept. 30. In order to avoid a government shutdown this week, Congress must pass a continuing resolution funding the government at FY 2025 levels for a period of time. Health care policy features prominently in this debate. The inclusion of health care extenders, Disproportionate Share Hospital cut waivers and Medicare Dependent Hospital, Low Volume Hospital and home health and telehealth extensions remains vital.
- Throughout the year, the Kansas Hospital Association has advocated with our congressional delegation on the need to extend the Enhanced Premium Tax Credits (EPTCs) before they expire on Dec. 31, 2025. Approximately 160,000 Kansans benefit from the EPTCs by lowering their monthly insurance premiums. If the EPTCs expire, the average Marketplace enrollee in Kansas will see estimated premium increases of \$700 annually (approximately 77 percent increase) adding substantial strain to family budgets. A Kansas family of four would experience premium hikes of over \$2,500 annually. A 60-year-old couple's premiums would rise by over \$18,000. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas will likely increase rates by four to six percent solely attributable to the expiring EPTCs.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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