

COMMUNITY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
REDFIELD, SD 57469
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING
May 23rd, 2022

The Community Memorial Hospital Board of Governors held their regular Board meeting on May 23, 2022 in the CMH Board Room and via teleconference at Redfield, South Dakota. Board members present: Joe Morrissette, Eric Schueth, Lynn Brace, Dr. Kristine Wren, Frank Schwartz, and Joseph Lutter

Board members absent: Carmen Mason

Others present: Kristen Kocekian , and Karen Sjurseth, CEO

President Joe Morrissette called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Joseph Lutter made a motion to amend and adopt the agenda by removing item 12 “Enter Executive Session: SDCL 1-25-2 (1).” Dr. Kristine Wren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Board of Governors minutes from the meeting held April 25, 2022 were reviewed. Frank Schwartz made a motion to approve the April 25, 2022 Board minutes, seconded by Eric Schueth. Motion carried.

The Board of Governors minutes from the special meeting held May 17, 2022 were reviewed.

Joseph Lutter made a motion to approve the May 17, 2022 Special Board meeting minutes.

Second by Lynn Brace. Motion carried.

The Community Memorial Hospital Medical Staff minutes from the May 18, 2022 meeting were reviewed by the Board.

Financial Report:

Karen Sjurseth, CEO presented the April 2022 financial report to the Board for review and approval.

April 2022 Payroll & Benefits for CMH Campus with Accruals: \$870,863.00.

Frank Schwartz made a motion to approve the April 2022 financial reports as presented, seconded by Lynn Brace. Motion carried.

Karen Sjurseth CEO Report:

Karen Sjurseth, CEO reported that MRI’s will be here every Thursday for services instead of every other Wednesday. Expanse go-live is still set to begin on November 1st. We are currently doing a lot of super user training. These super users will help guide others once we go live. There are weekly sessions to help learn about this transition as well. The majority of training will be done this summer. So far we are on track with no concerns and will keep the Board updated. Redfield Clinic’s Friday summer hours have been advertised. CMH held an employee barbeque for National Hospital Week. Went through each payroll paper to look at PTO, ESL for Covid leave.

Old Business:

Karen Sjurseth, CEO reported that the hospital pharmacy is getting very close to being finished. The Board was in favor of Karen Sjurseth, CEO to reach out to the architect about enclosing the front entrance of the Redfield Clinic in the near future.

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New Business:

Eric Schueth reported that we are in need of two new ambulances. An ambulance option being looked into is similar to the one we currently have, but is 4 inches longer with other beneficial features. Eric proposes that we get one for now and look into getting another next year.

Lynn Brace made a motion to proceed with purchasing an ambulance, contingent upon approval of city and county. Frank Schwartz seconded, with Eric Schueth abstaining. Motion passes.

In light of the hospital nursing shortage, Karen Sjurseth, CEO inquires about the Board's opinion on offering a sign-on bonus for high-need areas such as this. If approved, the sign-on bonus would be added to our job posting advertisements. The Board held discussion on the implementation and delivery of this sign-on bonus. The consensus was positive, and Karen Sjurseth will be doing more research on this.

Other Business/Concerns:

7:55 p.m.: Motion to enter into Executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(4) made by Lynn Brace, second by Joe Lutter. Motion carried by a roll call vote with all members present voting "Yes".

7:55 p.m.: Enter Executive session

8:09 p.m.: Exit Executive session

Eric Schueth made a motion to authorize CEO to increase hospital nurses wages based upon certification and years of service. Lynn Brace second. Motion carried.

Adjourn 8:10

The next regular Board of Governors meeting will be held on Monday, June 27th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.