

Johnson County Hospital District

BOARD MINUTES

April 29, 2020

The Board of Trustees of Johnson County Hospital District met for its April Board Meeting on Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 6:34 P.M. in Sean McCallister's office via Zoom conferencing. The following members were present:

Mark Schueler, M.D., President
Cristy Kinghorn, Secretary
Tom Holt, Board Member
Bill Dooley, Treasurer
Tom Berry, DVM, Board Member
Alecia Kozisek, Board Member

Those Absent:

Others Present:

Sean McCallister – CEO
Becky Rodriguez – Administration
Linda Greenough – County Commissioner
Dr. Ryan Ludwig – Chief of Staff
Steven Dow – Buffalo Bulletin
Aaron Palmer – Big Horn Mountain Radio

Dr. Schueler called the meeting to order. Alecia Kozisek made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2020 Board meeting. Bill Dooley seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Dr. Ludwig, Chief of Staff, informed the board the Medical Staff are doing well. He stated the hospital has implemented important and effective steps to handle COVID-19. The response thus far has gone exceptionally well. Staffing issues have been accommodated and the morale is very good.

Bill Dooley asked about contact tracing of positive COVID-19 cases. Dr. Schueler and Dr. Ludwig explained how the process works with local and state public health departments

All leadership reports were included in board packets for board members to review in advance and during the meeting.

There were no applications for appointment or reappointment.

Sean McCallister informed the board that mammography services will resume soon. Many patients waiting for the new 3D technology will now receive the service. Telestroke services are moving forward, but will not be ready for a few more weeks. Sean also referred to the quality reports provided by Laurie Hansen and highlighted improvements stemming from daily team safety huddles and heightened awareness among staff across all service lines.

Sean reviewed the following list of major projects on hold due to COVID-19:

- Radiology contract renegotiation with Sheridan Memorial Hospital
- Master Plan – Phase One
- Moving all physicians to a single professional liability policy
- Physician compensation model
- EMR/CPSI and the next steps

Becky Rodriguez and Sean McCallister presented March 2020 month-end and year-to-date financial performance results and summarized the FY21 budget schedule.

Sean presented the proposed FY21 Amie Holt Care Center price increase and addressed questions about AHCC's resident payer mix (Medicaid vs. self-pay), regional price comparisons, reimbursement rates and resident waiting list.

Following the discussion, Tom Berry made a motion to approve increasing the daily price rate from \$275 to \$283 in Amie Holt Care Center effective July 1, 2020. Cristy Kinghorn seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Dr. Schueler provided an update on the COVID-19 virus pandemic status in Johnson County. Sean discussed local statistics, in-house testing capability and critical PPE supply quantities. He also overviewed JCHC's phased plan for resuming standard hospital operations and services in line with federal and state guidelines.

Sean presented JCHC's cash-on-hand status and cash conservation strategy, including a detailed accounting of cost report settlement and COVID-19 stimulus funds received in the month of April. JCHC remains financially solvent during the virus outbreak and is able to maintain our existing payroll and support our workforce.

Dr. Schueler informed the board that he, Bill Dooley and Cristy Kinghorn are up for re-election in November 2020. He reiterated the board's prior decision to reduce board membership from six to five. Sean and Becky will work through those details with County officials.

The FY19 Home Health and Hospice annual reports were presented and discussed. Tom Holt inquired if a "Home Health Advisory Board" is required based on the title of the presentation. Sean said he would research it and report back to the board.

There was no executive session.

Cristy Kinghorn made a motion to adjourn the regular Board meeting at 7:50 p.m. Alecia Kozisek seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Cristy Kinghorn, Secretary