

A meeting of the McAlester Regional Health Center Authority was held at 04:00 PM, on Wednesday May 03, 2023, at McAlester Regional Health Center in the Administration Board Room. Public notice, setting forth there on the day, time and place for this regular meeting had been delivered to the office of the City Clerk at 11:00 AM on May 01, 2023.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Mary Shannon, Chairwoman ~ Sayer Brenner (arrived @ 4:09 PM) ~ Marti Fields ~ Damon Mascoto ~ Johnny Zellmer, MD ~ Christopher Beene, MD ~ Susan Kanard ~ Brent Grilliot

TRUSTEES ABSENT: James Bland

HOSPITAL STAFF: Sonya Stone, Recording Secretary, Cheryl Perry, Julie Powell, T. Shawn Howard, Lucy Muller, Ken Matthews, Dr. Jonathan Rohloff, Jimmy Davenport, Kayla Rovnak

OTHER ATTENDEES: Maggie Martin, Legal Counsel, John Titsworth

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Shannon called the meeting to order at 04:00 PM.

Public Comment: None

Consent Agenda:

1. MRHCA Board of Trustees Minutes for April 05, 2023
2. April 2023 Agreement Log
3. Credentialing & Privileging List and Physician Scorecard for QTR 3 & 4
4. Updated Medical Staff Rules & Regulations

A motion was made (Fields) and seconded (Beene) to approve items 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Consent Agenda as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Marti Fields, Dr. Christopher Beene, Dr. Johnny Zellmer, Susan Kanard, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, and Mary Shannon. Nay: None. Absent: James Bland, Sayer Brenner. Abstain: None. Chairwoman Shannon declared the motion carried.

Finance Committee Report:

1. **Discussion and consideration of March 2023 Financial Reports:** Ms. Cheryl Perry provided an overview of the March 2023 Financial Reports. She reviewed the Income Statement, Month to Date Actuals, Net Revenue Report, Salaries & Wages, Expenses, and the Loan Covenant report. She also shared highlights of the Revenue Cycle Team, and a Forvis Consulting Company update. Ms. Perry shared with the Board strategies that are underway for the next year that will improve the income. A motion was made (Zellmer) and seconded (Grilliot) to approve items to approve the March 2023 Finance reports as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Johnny Zellmer, MD, Brent Grilliot, Susan Kanard, Damon Mascoto, Sayer Brenner, Marti Fields, Christopher Beene, MD, and Mary Shannon. Nay: None. Absent: James Bland. Abstain: None. Chairwoman Shannon declared the motion carried.
2. **Discussion and consideration of ROCHE Diagnostics Corporation Enterprise Agreement:** Ms. Cheryl Perry opened the floor to Mr. Jimmy Davenport, Director of Laboratory Services. He reported the request is to change the approval for the Chemistry Analyzer Reagent Rental from Siemens Atellica System to the option offered by ROCHE Diagnostics. Previously, a proposal was submitted from Siemens and approved. Following the approval, it was discovered Siemens could not assure primary or backup analyzer uptime 24/7 with the proposed agreement. He reported MRHC backed out of negotiations with Siemens and re-evaluated other companies. ROCHE Diagnostics was the next best value that meet specifications and would save approximately \$40,000 annually compared to Siemens' proposal. Ms. Perry reported the agreement is a multi-year agreement that will allow MRHC to have equipment on site that we would otherwise have to purchase. A motion was made (Brenner) and seconded (Mascoto) to approve the ROCHE Diagnostics Corporation Enterprise Agreement as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Sayer Brenner, Damon Mascoto, Christopher Beene, MD, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Marti Fields, Susan

Kanard, Brent Grilliot, and Mary Shannon. Nay: None. Absent: James Bland. Abstain: None. Chairwoman Shannon declared the motion carried.

3. **Discussion and consideration of new Capital Substitutions:** Ms. Cheryl Perry presented the proposed capital substitutions to fund unbudgeted and immediate need items. Ms. Perry reported a budgeted Umano Bariatric Bed and Mattress will be substituted to fund a vaccine refrigerator & Freezer for Kidz Choice. A motion was made (Fields) and seconded (Beene) to approve the proposed Capital Substitutions as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Marti Fields, Christopher Beene, MD, Susan Kanard, Brent Grilliot, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Damon Mascoto, Sayer Brenner, and Mary Shannon. Nay: None. Absent: James Bland. Abstain: None. Chairwoman Shannon declared the motion carried.

Audit & Corporate Compliance Committee Report: Ms. Julie Powell reported the Audit & Corporate Compliance Committee meeting was held on April 25, 2023. She stated only one open records request was received and processed. She shared that a Quarterly Vendor Sanction Check report will be added as a standing report on all future meetings. She stated for this quarter all the required OIG & SAMs checks were done according to regulation. Ms. Rhonda Falconer, HIS Director reported there were four HIPPA breaches, three were closed without merit and one is pending further review. Kayla Rovnak, Compliance Officer assisted by Scott Yoder, IT, shared the results of an IT security self-audit. They reported a lot of work was done in 2021-2022 to improve IT security and they continue to see improvements moving into 2023. Mr. Brent Grilliot, Chairman of the Committee reported in addition to the self-audits, the IT Department outsources the audit to a professional group every two to three years. He stated in his opinion, the IT Department does a phenomenal job considering the complexity of this department.

Chief of Staff Report: Dr. Jonathan Rohloff reported overall all is going well at the hospital. The new ER group is transitioning nicely and as a result, the Length of Stay is going down. The Residency Program is doing well and have a wellness retreat planned for this weekend in Broken Bow. Most of the senior Residents took their Boards within the last two weeks so they needed some relaxation. Mr. Shawn Howard attended the last Medicine Committee to update MRHC providers on changes in the MRHC service lines. He allowed providers to voice their opinions and ask questions. Dr. Rohloff reported he is now meeting monthly with the CEO to stay updated on operations so he can share with the provider staff.

CEO Report: Mr. Shawn Howard reported having three meetings with OU, Mercy, and Saint Francis to discuss how to network better together in Southeast Oklahoma. The meetings were very productive. Some of the discussions included sharing strategies and where patients go for care that can't be treated in McAlester. He reported he met with the new Executive teams at OU and Saint Francis who have very different leadership style. Mr. Howard provided a legislative update regarding House Bills that are active and could impact MRHC. The Bills are related to workplace violence, protection from doxing of employees, Rural Emergency Hospital Designation, Cyber Security, Funding for Rural Hospitals, Access to Tort Claim Limits for all physicians working at a hospital, a syphilis bill, Scope of Practice for Nurse Practitioner, Hospital requirement for issuing narcan, and allowing Pharmacist to read pregnancy test and prescribe meds. In addition, McAlester has more Councilors per capita than any other place in Oklahoma. A Bill to increase coverage for adolescent counseling is also on the table. He added, McAlester is being looked at for a grant because of the need in this area. Mr. Howard shared Bills that died including a bill that would have allowed Insurance Companies to send meds to patients while in the hospital and a bill to raise limits for tort claims. Free Standing ER and Diploma Nursing within a hospital were also among the Bills that died.

Adjournment: A motion was made (Zellmer) and seconded (Fields) to adjourn the meeting at 05:11 PM. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Johnny Zellmer, MD, Marti Fields, Sayer Brenner, Susan Kanard, Christopher Beene, MD, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, and Mary Shannon. Nay: None. Absent: James Bland. Abstain: None. Chairwoman Shannon declared the motion carried.


Mary Shannon ~ Chairwoman
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James Bland ~ Vice-Chairman