

A meeting of the McAlester Regional Health Center Authority was held at 04:00 PM, on Wednesday October 02, 2024, at McAlester Regional Health Center in the Administration Board Room. Public notice, set forth there on the day, time and place for this regular meeting had been delivered to the office of the City Clerk at 10:37 AM on September 30, 2024.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Marti Fields ~ Johnny Zellmer, MD ~ Mary Shannon ~ Brent Grilliot ~ Sayer Brenner ~ Damon Mascoto ~ Christopher Beene, MD ~ Susan Kanard ~ James Bland

TRUSTEES ABSENT: None

HOSPITAL STAFF: Julie Powell ~ Sonya Stone ~ Whitney Hull ~ Scott Yoder ~ Cheryl Perry ~ Lucy Muller

OTHER ATTENDEES: Weldon Smith ~ Karen Hendren, Consultant ~ Andrew Hejtmanek, Forvis ~ Elizabeth Scott, Atty

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Beene called the meeting to order at 04:00 PM

Consent Agenda:

1. MRHCA Board of Trustees Minutes for September 04, 2024
2. September 2024 Agreement Log
3. Appointment of Dr. Brian Blick as Anesthesia Medical Director replacing Dr. Justin Evenson
4. Duties of Respective Role (Officers) Required by CMS
5. Credentialing & Privileging Appointments

Approval of Appointment: (Provisional)

- A. Joanna Brown, CRNA ~ CRNA/Anesthesia ~ One year

Approval of Reappointment: (Active Staff)

- A. Norman McAlester, MD ~ Emergency Medicine ~ Two years
- B. Jeremiah Jansen, MD ~ Pediatric Radiology ~ Two years
- C. M. Kaleem Ishaq, MD ~ Pulmonology/Telemedicine ~ Two years
- D. D. Randel Allen, MD ~ Pulmonology/Telemedicine ~ Two years

Approval of Reappointment: (Allied Health)

- A. Walter "Clint" Maxcey, APRN ~ APRN-CNP ~ Two years

Approval of Proxy Reappointment: (Telemedicine)

- A. Howard Heller, MD ~ Radiology/Telemedicine/StatRad ~ Two years.

Approval of Advancement: (Active):

- A. Martin Cooper, MD ~ Family Medicine/Critical Care ~ One year
- B. Talla Rousan, MD ~ Cardiology ~ One year

Approval of Advancement: (Active Affiliate):

- A. John Burke, MD ~ Neurological Surgery (OU Health) ~ One year

Approval of Advancement: (Allied Health):

- A. Sammie Stone, APRN ~ APRN-CNP ~ One year

Approval of Temporary Privileges:

- A. Nazurl Chowdhury, MD ~ Internal Medicine/Critical Care ~ 09/05/24 – 01/02/25

Resignations (Acknowledge & Accept):

- A. Abhijit Gundale, MD ~ Otolaryngology ~ 08/18/24

A **motion** was made (Fields) and seconded (Zellmer) to approve items 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 of the Consent Agenda as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Marti Fields, Johnny Zellmer, Md, Sayer Brenner, Susan Kanard, James Bland, Mary Shannon, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Finance Committee Reports:

- A. **Consideration and discussion of MRHC Audited Financial Report for FY ending June 30, 2024:** Mr. Andrew Hejtmanek with FORVIS MAZARS shared the results of the 2024 Financial Statement Audit for FY year ending June 30, 2024, including required communications. Mr. Hejtmanek opened the floor for questions and answers. A **motion** was made (Bland) and seconded (Grilliot) to approve the MRHC Audited Financial Report for FY ending June 30, 2024 as presented. The vote was taken as follows: James Bland, Brent Grilliot, Susan Kanard, Damon Mascoto, Sayer Brenner, Marti Fields, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Mary Shannon, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.
- B. **Consideration and discussion of August 2024 Financial Reports:** Ms. Cheryl Perry provided an overview of the July Financial Reports. She reviewed the Income Statement, Month to Date Actuals, Net Revenue, Expenses, Operating & Non-Operating Revenue, and the MRHCA Loan Covenants, A **motion** was made (Brenner) and seconded (Bland) to approve the August 2024 Finance Reports as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Sayer Brenner, James Bland, Mary Shannon, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Marti Fields, Damon Mascoto, Susan Kanard, Brent Grilliot, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.
- C. **Strategic Planning Sub Committee Report:** Ms. Whitney Hull shared the Strategic Plan Proposal for FY 2025-FY 2028. The proposal was reviewed by the Strategic Planning Committee prior to reaching the MRHCA Board of Trustees for final approval. Ms. Hull discussed the objectives of the plan which included the purpose of revisions, proposed additions to the strategic plan, list of accomplishments, and next steps. She opened the floor to questions and answers before recommending approval. A **motion** was made (Zellmer) and seconded (Shannon) to approve the Strategic Plan Proposal for FY 2025- FY 2028 as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Johnny Zellmer, MD, Mary Shannon, Susan Kanard, Brent Grilliot, James Bland, Damon Mascoto, Marti Fields, Sayer Brenner, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Chief of Staff Report: Dr. Matthew Graves reported two full time Hospitalist joined MRHC. The Hospitalist Department is glad to have them onboard. Dr. Graves shared he is attempting to pull the medical staff together for a Medical Staff meeting; however, he had two failed attempts. He stated he is utilizing surveys to determine a better day and time for the majority, flyers, text messages, and email reminders in hopes of a better turn out in November.

CEO Report: Ms. Julie Powell reported two employees from MRHC were honored at the 2024 Oklahoma Rural Health Conference in Oklahoma City. The conference brings together various leaders and stakeholders of the Oklahoma Rural Health Association. Jason Gibson, Pharmacist won the Rural Health Hero of the Year Award for 2024 and Dr. Patrick Gannon, Orthopedic Surgeon won the Rural Health Physician of the Year Award for 2024. She

shared how proud she is of both MRHC employees. Ms. Powell reported the Virtual Nursing Program will be up and coming over the next few months. The program is made possible through a grant paying 85%; MRHC is responsible for the remaining 15% payable over a three-year period. The grant provides the opportunity to prepare the facility for Virtual Nursing which includes an upgrade to the TV service. Ms. Powell stated the TV service at MRHC is a top complaint among patients. The hospital will be able to take care of this dissatisfier through the Virtual Nursing Grant.

Executive Session (25 O.S. § 307(C)) ~ Discussion and Potential Action ~ Christopher Beene, Chairman

A **motion** was made in public session at 4:59 PM by (Brenner) and seconded by (Zellmer) to enter Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Sayer Brenner, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Susan Kanard, James Bland, Marti Fields, Mary Shannon, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Executive Session (25 O.S. § 307(C)) ~ Discussion and Potential Action ~ Christopher Beene, Chairman

Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(C)(11): "All nonprofit foundations, boards, bureaus, commissions, agencies, trusteeships, authorities, councils, committees, public trusts, task forces or study groups supported in

whole or part by public funds or entrusted with the expenditure of public funds for purposes of conferring on matters pertaining to economic development, including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice a business to remain or to locate within their jurisdiction if public disclosure of the matter discussed would interfere with the development of products or services or if public disclosure would violate the confidentiality of the business."

- Discuss financial forecasts and strategic planning related to the core healthcare services provided by MRHCA.


A **motion** was made at 08:17 PM by (Zellmer) and seconded by (Brenner) to come out of Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Johnny Zellmer, MD, Sayer Brenner, James Bland, Brent Grilliot, Susan Kanard, Damon Mascoto, Marti Fields, Mary Shannon, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Proposed vote to approve or disapprove any action regarding the financial forecasts and strategic planning related to the core healthcare services provided by MRHCA: **No Action Taken**

Adjournment: A motion was made (Bland) and seconded (Zellmer) to adjourn the meeting at 08:19 PM. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: James Bland, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Susan Kanard, Brent Grilliot, Damon Mascoto, Marti Fields, Mary Shannon, Sayer Brenner, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.



Christopher Beene, MD ~ Chairman
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James Bland ~ Vice-Chairman