A meeting of the McAlester Regional Health Center Authority was held at 04:00 PM on Wednesday, July 09, 2025, 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, was delivered to the office of the City Clerk at 11:30 AM on July 01, 2025.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Christopher Beene, MD ~ Sayer Brenner ~ Marti Fields ~ Johnny Zellmer, MD (arrived at 4:02) ~ Brent Grilliot ~ James Bland ~ Damon Mascoto (arrived at 5:00) ~ Janet Wansick.

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

HOSPITAL STAFF: Julie Powell ~ Sonya Stone ~ Whitney Hull ~ Scott Yoder ~ Lucy Muller ~ Destanie Wilson ~ Ken Matthews ~ Jonathan Muller

OTHER ATTENDEES: Karen Hendren ~ Belinda Kelley ~ Christina Crow ~ Laurie Reed

CALL TO ORDER: Christopher Beene, MD, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Consent Agenda:

1. MRHCA Board of Trustees Minutes for June 09, 2025
2. July 2025 Agreement Log
3. Retroactively appoint Lori Few & Jake Wood to the MRHC Foundation Board of Directors
4. Appoint Janet Wansick to the MRHC Foundation Board of Directors
5. Credentialing & Privileging Appointment List.

Consideration & Approval of Provisional:

1. Arash Karnama, DO ~ Cardiology/Telemedicine/OSU ~ One year
2. Andrew Hale, DO ~ Cardiology/Telemedicine/OSU ~ One year
3. Steven Kim, DO ~ Cardiology/Telemedicine/OSU ~ One year
4. David Wilkett, DO ~ Cardiology/Telemedicine/OSU ~ One year
5. Daniel Wildes, DO ~ Cardiology/Telemedicine/OSU ~ One year

Consideration & Approval of Advancement (Active):

1. Jehanzeb Riaz, MD ~ Oncology/Hematology/OU ~ One year

Consideration & Approval of Advancement (Allied Health):

1. Aubrie Trammell, APRN ~ Nurse Practitioner ~ One year

Consideration & Approval of Reappointment (Active):

1. James McGeady, MD ~ Urology/USO ~ Two years
2. Patrick Gannon, MD ~ Orthopedic Surgery/MRHC ~ Two years

Resignations (Acknowledge & Accept)

1. Victoria Keeton, DO ~ 05/1/25
2. Cynthia Sanford, APRN-CNP ~ 05/16/25
3. Michael Hiebert, DO ~ 06/01/25
4. Kelly Finnerty, APRN-CNP ~ 06/10/25

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

Finance Committee Report ~ James Bland, Chairman

1. **Consideration and discussion of May 2025 Financial Reports:** Ms. Destanie Wilson provided an overview of the May 2025 Financial Reports. She discussed the May revenue, inpatient discharges and admissions, ER visits, surgery volumes, clinic activity, bad debt, and the impact on net patient revenue, operations labor, operations supplies, and operations expense, total income /(loss), collections vs net patient revenue, gross accounts receivable, contributions, and solutions to

bad debt, and cash accounts payable. She concluded by sharing her final thoughts and outlining the actions for May 2025 activities. A **motion** was made (Bland) and seconded (Brenner) to approve the May 2025 Finance Reports as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: James Bland, Sayer Brenner, Brent Grilliot, Marti Fields, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Janet Wansick, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: Damon Mascoto. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Strategic Plan Update 1.2B Hazmat Preparedness: Mr. Scott Yoder provided an update on Strategic Plan Initiative 1.2B Hazmat Preparedness. The purpose of this Strategic initiative is to provide high-level awareness of Hazmat risks in a healthcare environment and outline regulatory obligations and risk exposures. The Plan also emphasizes the hospital's responsibility for preparedness and compliance and defines the leadership's role in governance and strategic oversight. He reported that the term Hazmat refers to substances that pose a risk to health, safety, property, or the environment. This includes chemicals, biological agents, and radioactive and nuclear materials. Some examples of common hospital hazards include oxygen cylinders, radiopharmaceuticals, chemotherapy agents, and cleaning/maintenance supplies. Mr. Yoder described areas of the Hospital where Hazmat exists and determining factors that make Hazmat an important focus in Healthcare. He added that Hazmat preparedness is under the watchful eye of several regulatory agencies, including CMS, OSHA, EPA, and DNV. He shared key risks to the Hospital, emergency preparedness expectations, and the implementation of HAZWOPR training. In closing, he shared the current status of the program, leadership roles, and strategic recommendations.

Chief of Staff Report: No Report

CEO Report: Ms. Julie Powell reported that the Van Buren House has no vacancies, with a waiting list of 77. The Wellness Center pool project is complete, and the pool is now open. The new HVAC system is expected to be completely installed by the end of next week. She stated that the membership numbers declined slightly due to pool and HVAC issues; however, growth is anticipated now that the projects are complete. Inpatient Rehab volumes show a 5% increase. The unit continues to receive consistent praise from patients and their families, reflecting high satisfaction and great success. The Imaging Department successfully completed the American College of Radiology accreditation and Mammography Quality Standards Act accreditation with full approval. In addition, the Department concluded a State inspection with no deficiencies. Nuclear Medicine completed a Department of Environmental Quality inspection with full compliance and also passed a State inspection with no deficiencies. Ms. Powell shared that the Clinics, including General Surgery, Family Practice in McAlester and Eufaula, Podiatry, Neurology, and Urgent Care in Eufaula, all increased in volume. Orthopedics and Occupational Medicine decreased in volume primarily due to vacations and a reduction of two providers. The Family Medicine Residency Program recently completed a productive and academically rich 2024-2025 academic year. The program is preparing for the start of a new year and remains fully accredited and in good standing with ACGME and OSU Center for Health Sciences. The program welcomed four new Interns in mid-June for the next program year. Two graduating Residents will be joining MRHC's Hospitalist Group in July 2025. In closing, Ms. Powell reported that all eyes are on the "Big Beautiful Bill" that recently passed the House and Senate, and the future is uncertain as to how it will affect the Hospital.

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

A **motion** was made in public session at **4:39** PM by (Brenner) and seconded by (Wansick) to enter Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Sayer Brenner, Janet Wansick, Johnny Zellmer, MD, James Bland, Marti Fields, Brent Grilliot, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: Damon Mascoto. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

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 **5:04** PM by (Fields) and seconded by (Zellmer) to come out of the Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Marti Fields, Johnny Zellmer, MD, James Bland, Brent Grilliot, Sayer Brenner, Janet Wansick, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: Damon Mascoto. 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:

ACTION: None

Adjournment: A **motion** was made (Grilliot) and seconded (Wansick) to adjourn the meeting at **5:05** PM. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Brent Grilliot, Janet Wansick, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Marti Fields, Sayer Brenner, James Bland, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: Damon Mascoto. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Christopher Beene, MD ~ Chairman
/sds

James Bland ~ Vice-Chairman