A meeting of the McAlester Regional Health Center Authority was held at 04:00 PM on Wednesday, August 06, 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 01:25 PM on August 04, 2025.

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

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

HOSPITAL STAFF: Julie Powell ~ Sonya Stone ~ Whitney Hull ~ Scott Yoder ~ Lucy Muller ~ Destanie Wilson ~ Jonathan Rohloff, DO, Matthew Sims, DO ~ Kayla Rovnak

OTHER ATTENDEES: Karen Hendren ~ Belinda Kelley ~ 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 July 09, 2025
2. August 2025 Agreement Log
3. Credentialing & Privileging Appointment List.

Consideration & Approval of Provisional:

1. Tanner Hessman, DO ~ Emergency Medicine/OSU ~ One year
2. Codi Demere Bowker, DO ~ Emergency Medicine/OSU ~ One year
3. Kurtis Young, DO ~ Emergency Medicine/OSU ~ One year
4. Lucille "Lucy" Stevens, DO ~ Emergency Medicine/OSU ~ One year
5. Landon Stallings, DO ~ Emergency Medicine/OSU ~ One year

Consideration & Approval of Advancement (Active):

1. Jennifer Briggs, DO ~ Emergency Medicine ~ One year
2. Brianne Roepke, DO ~ Emergency Medicine ~ One year
3. Aubrie Trammell, APRN ~ Nurse Practitioner ~ One year

Consideration & Approval of Reappointment (Active):

1. James Vodvarka, MD ~ Internal Medicine/Critical Care ~ Two years
2. Nedal Elass, MD ~ Internal Medicine/Critical Care ~ Two years
3. Shaun Grewal, MD ~ Urology ~ Two years

Consideration & Approval of Reappointment (Allied Health):

1. Ryan Knoerdel, PA-C ~ Physician Assistant ~ Two years

Consideration & Approval of Provisional Telemedicine Distant Site Credentialing by (Proxy)

1. George Rappard, MD ~ Telemedicine/Radiology/RadPartners ~ One year

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

Finance Committee Report ~ James Bland, Chairman

1. **Consideration and discussion of June 2025 Financial Reports:** Ms. Destanie Wilson provided an overview of the June 2025 Financial Reports. She discussed the June 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.

A **motion** was made (Bland) and seconded (Wansick) to approve the June 2025 Finance Reports as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: James Bland, Janet Wansick, Brent Grilliot, Damon Mascoto, Marti Fields, Johnny Zellmer, MD, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: Sayer Brenner (stepped out of the Board Room). Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

2. **Consideration and discussion of FY 2026 Budget**: Ms. Karen Hendren presented the FY 2026 Budget that was included in the meeting packet. A **motion** was made (Bland) and seconded (Brenner) to approve the FY 2026 Budget as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: James Bland, Sayer Brenner, Janet Wansick, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Marti Fields, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

3. **Consideration and discussion of FY 2026 Capital Budget**: Ms. Karen Hendren presented the FY 2026 Capital Budget that was included in the meeting packet. A **motion** was made (Wansick) and seconded (Mascoto) to approve the FY 2026 Capital Budget as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Janet Wansick, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, James Bland, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Marti Fields, Sayer Brenner, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

4. **Consideration and discussion of revised Expenditure Policy**: Ms. Destanie Wilson presented an updated Expenditure Policy establishing the guidelines for the review, approval, and payment of business-related expenditures incurred by MRHCA. The Policy is to ensure that company funds are spent responsibly, ethically, and in alignment with company goals and budgetary constraints. A **motion** was made (Bland) and seconded (Mascoto) to approve the expenditure policy as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: James Bland, Damon Mascoto, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Sayer Brenner, Marti Fields, Janet Wansick, Brent Grilliot, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Strategic Plan Update 3.2A Implement Strategies to Address Social Determinants of Health Within Our Patient Population: Ms. Whitney Hull provided an update on Strategic Plan Initiative 3.2A Implement Strategies to Address Social Determinants of Health Within Our Patient Population. Social Determinant screening includes housing instability, food insecurity, interpersonal safety, utility difficulties, and transportation needs. The goal of this initiative is to achieve a 5% decrease in patients having positive screening of Social Determinants of Health by 2026 through targeted interventions and community partnerships.

Audit and Corporate Compliance Committee Report: Ms. Kayla Rovnak provided an overview of the Audit and Corporate Compliance Committee Meeting held on July 22, 2025. She discussed the Open Records Report, HIPAA Breach Assessment/Privacy/Security Compliance Report, and the 340B Audit Report. She reported no activity on the Quarter Vendor Sanction Check and the Compliance Activity Log.

Board QI Committee Report: Ms. Whitney Hull provided an update from the Board QI meeting held on July 29, 2025. She reported that the Quality Management System data was reviewed, bringing attention to noteworthy efforts and areas of continued improvement. The HCAHPS Star Rating Scorecard for the first quarter of 2025 was shared, showing areas that are exceeding the goal and areas of improvement. Ms. Hull reported DNV arrived on July 1 for a three-day survey. She stated that overall, the survey went well, resulting in 5 non-conformities from the 2024 survey being cleared. The survey resulted in 9 non-conformities cited in 2025, including 1 condition level, 6 non-conformities - level 1, and 2 non-conformity-level 2 findings. Corrective actions have been put in place to correct the deficiencies that were found.

Chief of Staff Report: Dr. Matthew Sim reported that Dr. Landon Stallings, Orthopedic Physician from OSU, will be starting his clinic on Monday. He will be here two days a week starting out, and he will be in the rotation for weekend call service. He will have a focus on sports that will help keep these services local. Dr. Sims reported that MRHC went live with OU Cardiology Telemedicine, which is proving to be successful. Patients and Providers are pleased with the interactions. He reported that Dr. Samantha Burnside and Dr. Joseph Hunsaker, two OSU Residency Graduates, joined the MRHC Hospitalist Program. Patients are responding well to them, and the E.R. is glad to have them on board. Dr. Sims reported that a committee was established to standardize documentation/billing criteria to improve the chart documentation and reimbursement process. He stated the E.R. volumes have improved during the summer months, resulting in better patient throughput and satisfaction. The E.R. is working with the Family Medicine Residency Program and Caring Hands to quickly follow up with patients after ER visits, strengthening the E.R. to Family Practice community bonds.

CEO Report: Ms. Julie Powell reported that MRHC's Information Technology Team has successfully concluded negotiations with Microsoft for the renewal of a Microsoft Enterprise Agreement. As a result, the team secured a cost saving of $228k over the next three years, all while maintaining full access and functionality of the entire Microsoft product suite. Ms. Powell reported that the

McAlester Ambulatory Surgery Center Insurance Claim is expected soon. She reported that approximately 850K-900K in recoverable funds is expected. MRHC has been working with Merchant McIntyre since 2024 on a grant application for the Cancer Center expansion. A representative from US Senator Mark Wayn Mullin's office recently visited the hospital to assess the project. Ms. Powell reported receiving notice that the MRHC Cancer Center Grant application made it through the first stage of approvals, and she is hopeful it will move through the entire approval process. The grant funds, if approved, will be utilized for the expansion of the Cancer Center, while City Sales Tax funds will be utilized for renovations of the current facility to bring it up to code.

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

A **motion** was made in public session at **5:11** PM by (Zellmer) and seconded by (Brenner) to enter Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Johnny Zellmer, MD, Sayer Brenner, James Bland, Brent Grilliot, Damon Mascoto, Marti Fields, Janet Wansick, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. 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 **6:28** PM by (Fields) and seconded by (Bland) to come out of the Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Marti Fields, James Bland, Janet Wansick, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Sayer Brenner, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, 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:

ACTION: None

Adjournment: A **motion** was made (Zellmer) and seconded (Wansick) to adjourn the meeting at **6:29** PM. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Johnny Zellmer, MD, Janet Wansick, 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.

Christopher Beene, MD ~ Chairman
/sds

James Bland ~ Vice-Chairman