

A meeting of the McAlester Regional Health Center Authority was held at 02:00 PM on Wednesday, October 01, 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 08:17 AM on September 29, 2025.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Christopher Beene, MD ~ Marti Fields ~ Johnny Zellmer, MD (arrived at 4:07) ~ Brent Grilliot ~ Damon Mascoto ~ Janet Wansick ~ Sayer Brenner ~ James Bland.

TRUSTEES ABSENT: None

HOSPITAL STAFF: Julie Powell ~ Sonya Stone ~ Scott Yoder ~ Lucy Muller ~ Destanie Wilson ~ Matthew Sims, DO ~ Whitney Hull ~ Patrick Gannon, MD ~ Dr. Colton Smith ~ Dr. Stephen Ferry ~ Dr. Akaas Rana ~ Dr. Lori Peters ~ Dr. Jonathan Rohloff ~ Dr. Ty Dilley ~

OTHER ATTENDEES: Belinda Kelley ~ Christina Crow ~ Robby Vanvehoven ~ Steve Bernard ~ Randy Roden ~ John Titsworth ~ Dr. Kamron Torbati

CALL TO ORDER: Christopher Beene, MD, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

Consent Agenda:

1. MRHCA Board of Trustees Minutes for September 03, 2025
2. October 2025 Agreement Log
3. Appointment of Lori Wampler to the MRHC Foundation Board of Managers

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

Consideration and discussion to approve the Resolution approving Lifecare Purchasing Group Single Signatory Proposal for Captis:

Ms. Julie Powell reported that currently, all 9 Lifecare hospitals have individual purchasing contracts with Vizient and Captis. Each hospital has one B-class share valued at \$75K, and each hospital purchases at B-class prices. The consolidation will include transitioning to a new Lifecare Purchasing Group, LLC (LPG), that will execute proposed transactions with a single signature by Lifecare Health Services (LCHS). Each hospital will transfer its B share to LPG, which will use 4 of 9 shares for an A1 tier price structure that provides better pricing and reduced service fees by 50%. LPG retains 5 of 9 shares as a B-tier price structure. The value of LPG acting in a contract management role will benefit all hospitals by distributor and vendor optimization, standardizing procurement process and inventory management tools, and it will have capital purchasing leverage. The Resolution authorizes Julie Powell, Chief Executive Officer, to enter into the proposed transaction agreements with Lifecare Purchasing Group, LLC, on behalf of the MRHC Board of Trustees. A motion was made (Bland) and seconded (Fields) to the Resolution approving Lifecare Purchasing Group Single Signatory Proposal for Captis as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: James Bland, Marti Fields, Brent Grilliot, Damon Mascoto, Sayer Brenner, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Janet Wansick, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the motion carried.

Consideration and Ratification of Execution of Second Amendment to the Arvest Bank Forbearance Agreement: Ms. Julie Powell reported the Second Amendment to the previously approved Forbearance Agreement with Arvest Bank amends the current agreement by deleting the reference to 'August 31, 2025' and replacing it with a reference to 'December 31, 2025', therefore extending the agreement to the end of the year. Ms. Powell requested authorization to execute the Second Amendment to the Arvest Bank Forbearance Agreement on behalf of the Board. A motion was made (Grilliot) and seconded (Zellmer) to approve the Ratification of Execution of Second Amendment to the Arvest Bank Forbearance Agreement, extending it to December 31, 2025, and authorizing Julie Powell's signature authority to sign the agreement on behalf of the MRHCA Board of Trustees as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Brent Grilliot, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Janet Wansick, Marti Fields, Sayer Brenner, Damon Mascoto, James Bland, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the motion carried.

Consideration and discussion of August 2025 Financial Reports: Ms. Destanie Wilson provided an overview of the August 2025 Financial Reports. She shared the revenue for August, acute discharges, Emergency Department, surgery volumes, clinic activity, and bad debt impact on net patient revenue. Ms. Wilson also shared operations for labor, supplies, and expense control. She

discussed the total income/loss statement, compared collections to net patient revenue, and cash and accounts payable. She stated August brought a mixed financial picture, but many positive signs are pointing to strong operational momentum and growth. A **motion** was made (Bland) and seconded (Brenner) to approve the August 2025 Finance Reports as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: James Bland, Sayer Brenner, Brent Grilliot, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Damon Mascoto, Marti Fields, Janet Wansick, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Board QI Committee Report: Ms. Whitney Hull reported that the Board QI Committee met on September 30, 2025. The Quality Management System scorecard was reviewed. Noteworthy efforts were in inpatient medication reconciliation, Levophed titration, and the medical record delinquency rate. She shared that emergency room medication reconciliation, restraint documentation, pain reassessment documentation, and avoidable stay days were discussed as areas of continued improvement. She shared that the Quarter two Star Rating Scorecard showed HCAHPS and Left without being seen rates were among noteworthy efforts. Sepsis Bundle Compliance and medical imaging efficiency were areas of continued improvement. Ms. Hull reported that the DNV Survey condition level deficiency requiring fire door repairs and replacement is complete. The hospital is currently anticipating a site visit from DNV to clear the deficiency.

MRHC Foundation Board Update: Ms. Lucy Muller reported that the Foundation Board met on September 25, 2025. The Annual Health Fair that will be held on November 13, 2025, at the Southeast Expo Center was discussed. Ms. Muller reported that while assessing the Foundation's needs in regard to the policy and procedures, she found that there were none. Policies were created that would protect the donors, the MRHC and Foundation organizations, and future leaders. After developing the necessary policies, the Foundation Board reviewed and approved them to move forward to the MRHC Board of Trustees for final approval.

1. Consideration and discussion of Foundation Policies as follows:

- A. Foundation Fundraising Policy
- B. Gift Acceptance Policy
- C. MRHC Foundation Expenditure Policy
- D. Foundation Disbursement Policy
- E. Foundation Donor Privacy Policy

A **motion** was made (Wansick) and seconded (Mascoto) to approve the Foundation Fundraising Policy, Gift Acceptance Policy, MRHC Foundation Expenditure Policy, Foundation Disbursement Policy, and the Foundation Donor Privacy Policy as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Janet Wansick, Damon Mascoto, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Sayer Brenner, James Bland, Marti Fields, Brent Grilliot, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Personnel Committee Update: Ms. Lucy Muller reported that the Personnel Committee met on September 25, 2025. The 2026 Benefits were discussed in detail. Employee open enrollment will begin on October 13, 2025, through November 11, 2025.

Chief of Staff Report ~ Dr. Matthew Sims reported that volumes remain consistently high in the Emergency Department in months that typically show declines nationwide. Volumes are also trending positively on the inpatient side, resulting in maximum bed capacity due to collaborative efforts of the Hospitalist and the relationship with OSU cardiology telemedicine. Overall, everything is going well. Dr. Sims invited members of the OSU Residency Program to share their progress and experiences. Dr. Colton Smith served as spokesperson for the group.

CEO Report: Ms. Julie Powell reported that the annual Blitz for all employees is underway. The educational opportunity fulfills DNV requirements and ensures that staff remain up to date on critical information, revised policies, procedures, and new devices. The Nurse Extern Program has 11 externs and several on the wait list. The program focuses on their goals, strengths, graduation dates, and the potential to remain with MRHC after graduation. The MRHC Unique Boutique Gift Shop has a new coordinator, Ozlyn Lightle, who was challenged with growing and highlighting the shop. She has worked diligently to successfully expand the shop's offerings, including MRHC logo t-shirts and Tyler products. Ms. Lightle has more exciting ideas planned to roll out soon. Ms. Lucy Muller reported that the MRHC Foundation received a \$4,000 donation from the Heart of Oklahoma Corvette Club from proceeds of a recent car show at the Southeast Expo Center. MRHC is deeply grateful for their support and potential contributions from future events in McAlester. Ms. Powell reported that the Club was very interested in the Wellness Center and its preventative approach toward medicine. The Wellness Center currently has 2500 members and is doing great things. The re-opening of the pool and

installation of the new HVAC system has helped drive customer satisfaction. Ms. Lucy Muller reported that employees completed the third-quarter cultural training, which focused on crucial accountability. Staff learned practical tools for holding meaningful conversations that foster accountability without silence or conflict. The purpose is to push leaders to have accountability and growth.

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

A motion was made in public session at 2:35 PM by (Fields) and seconded by (Zellmer) to enter Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Marti Fields, Johnny Zellmer, MD, James Bland, Brent Grilliot, Damon Mascoto, Sayer Brenner, 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 6:13 PM by (Fields) and seconded by (Wansick) to come out of the Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Marti Fields, Janet Wansick, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Sayer Brenner, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, James Bland, 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: A motion was made (Grilliot) and seconded (Fields) to reach out to OSU Medical Center to work towards a development of a nonbinding Memorandum of Understanding setting forth the terms of an affiliation between MRHCA and OSU Medical Center consistent with the terms described in OSU Medical Center's RFP response to help assure the continued provision of the core healthcare services provided by MRHCA. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Brent Grilliot, Marti Fields, James Bland, Janet Wansick, Damon Mascoto, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: Johnny Zellmer, MD, Sayer Brenner. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion was made (Zellmer) and seconded (Fields) to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 PM. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Johnny Zellmer, MD, Marti Fields, Janet Wansick, Sayer Brenner, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, James Bland, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the motion carried.



Christopher Beene, MD ~ Chairman



James Bland ~ Vice-Chairman

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