

**MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL MEETING
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF SWEETWATER COUNTY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

June 26, 2025

The Board of Trustees of Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater County met via Zoom in a special meeting on June 26, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. with Dr. Barbara Sowada, President, presiding.

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Sowada called the meeting to order. The following Trustees were present: Mr. Marty Kelsey, Ms. Kandi Pendleton, and Dr. Barbara Sowada. Judge Nena James and Mr. Craig Rood were excused.

Officially present during the meeting: Ms. Irene Richardson, Chief Executive Officer; Mr. Geoff Phillips, Legal Counsel; and Mr. Taylor Jones, County Commissioner Liaison.

FY 2026 BUDGET APPROVAL

Dr. Sowada thanked Ms. Richardson and staff for their work putting the budget together. Mr. Kelsey said the budget has been reviewed by the Trustees in a special workshop and by the Finance and Audit Committee. He said there are many unknowns out there. He said he feels good about the proposed budget and said it is sound and reasonable. The motion to approve the FY2026 Budget as presented was made by Ms. Pendleton; second by Mr. Kelsey. Motion carried.

Ms. Richardson thanked Ms. Tami Love, Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Jan Layne, Controller, Ms. Erika Taylor, Senior Accountant, and department leaders for their diligence and precision. She said she appreciates the Board's patience as we work through the process in our ever-changing world. Dr. Sowada thanked everyone who participated at all levels and noted this was her final official meeting. Ms. Richardson thanked Dr. Sowada again for all of her work in service on the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

Ms. Kandi Pendleton, President

Attest:

Judge Nena James, Secretary