

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

January 31, 2019

The Board of Trustees of Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater County met in special session on January 31, 2019, at 3:00 PM with Mr. Richard Mathey, President, presiding.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mathey called the meeting to order and announced a quorum. The following Trustees were present: Mr. Marty Kelsey, Mr. Taylor Jones, Mr. Richard Mathey, Dr. Barbara Sowada, and Mr. Ed Tardoni.

Officially present: Mr. Ron Cheese, Patient Financial Services Director; Dr. Lawrence Lauridsen, Medical Staff President; Ms. Jan Layne, Controller; Ms. Tami Love, Chief Financial Officer; Ms. Irene Richardson, Chief Executive Officer; Mr. Jeff Smith, Sweetwater Board of County Commissioners; and Ms. Erika Taylor, Fiscal Services.

WORKSHOP – BEGIN BUDGET RPOCESS FOR FY 2020

Ms. Richardson introduced Ms. Love, Ms. Layne, Ms. Taylor, and Mr. Cheese. She said the workshop will give everyone an opportunity to discuss all aspects of the budget process. She reviewed the budget philosophy and said our priority is to meet the healthcare needs of the community. She said it is difficult to compare our hospital to one, two or several hospitals not knowing the details. Ms. Richardson said one of the pillars in the strategic plan is financial stewardship. She reviewed the budget process and timeline. Mr. Mathey said if the Finance and Audit Committee wants to meet as a full Board at any time it can be a workshop. Ms. Richardson reported we are very conservative with the budget for revenue. Mr. Tardoni said he is interested in strategies around reduction of revenue. Ms. Richardson said we have reduced expenses and maintained revenue in the provider clinics. She said the payer mix is better in the clinic. Mr. Kelsey said he assumes Ms. Richardson will involve the Board on prioritizing and deciding on the six-cent tax project. She said yes and said we want to be transparent. Mr. Mathey said it is beneficial for the Board to get a common perspective on the budget. He said he is very interested going forward in the options presented in the budget. Dr. Sowada said we have been following financials closely for two years and noted some marked improvements in Quality. Ms. Richardson said we want to make sure finances are understood and agreed finances are not the main focus.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion to go into Executive Session for the reasons noted on the agenda was made by Mr. Jones; second by Mr. Tardoni. Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

The Board of Trustees reconvened into Regular Session at 6:01 PM.

OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Approval of Privileges

The motion to approve the January 8, 2019, Credentials Committee Recommendations as follows for appointment to the Medical Staff was made by Mr. Jones; second by Dr. Sowada. Motion carried.

1. Initial Appointment to Locum Tenens Staff (1 year)
 - Dr. Michael Neyman, Hospitalist
2. Initial Appointment to AHP Staff (1 year)
 - Tenny Hanson, FNP
3. Reappointment to Active Staff (2 years)
 - Dr. Chandrashekar Yeshlur, Pediatrics
 - Dr. Kurt Hunter, Family Practice
 - Dr. David Duckwitz, Podiatric Surgery
4. Reappointment to Locum Tenens Staff (1 year)
 - Dr. Elizabeth Wuerslin, Pediatrics
5. Reappointment to Consulting Staff (2 years)
 - Dr. Muhammad Chauhan, Tele Stroke (U of U)
 - Dr. Gregg Sydow, Tele Radiology (VRAD)
 - Dr. Ronald Sonken, Tele Radiology (VRAD)
 - Dr. Celine Melitz, Tele Radiology (VRAD)
6. Old Business
 - Dr. Mihail Chelu, Cardiology (U of U)

The motion to authorize the CEO to execute contracts with physicians as discussed was made by Mr. Jones; second by Mr. Kelsey. Motion carried.

Capital Expenditure Requests

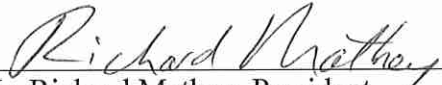
The motion to approve capital expenditure request FY19-24 for the central plant upgrade engineering for 85% of the engineering fees at an estimate of \$3M was made by Mr. Kelsey; second by Mr. Jones. Mr. Kelsey said the issues with article 30 in the terms and conditions were resolved. The new upper limit is \$1M. Motion carried.

The motion to approve capital expenditure request FY19-27 for a Muse cardiology system for \$174,093.40 as presented was made by Mr. Kelsey; second by Mr. Jones. Motion carried. The motion to approve a license/professional service fee for Quadramed Affinity for \$25,000 was made by Mr. Kelsey; second by Mr. Jones. Motion carried.


The motion to approve capital expenditure request FY19-28 to replace core network switches as presented for \$93,812.50 was made by Mr. Kelsey; second by Mr. Jones. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.


Mr. Richard Mathey, President

Attest:


Mr. Ed Tardoni, Secretary