

**MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL MEETING  
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF SWEETWATER COUNTY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
AND GENERAL MEDICAL STAFF**

**November 27, 2018**

The Board of Trustees of Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater County met in special session with the General Medical Staff on November 27, 2018, at 6:00 PM with Mr. Taylor Jones, Vice President, presiding.

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

Officially present: Mr. Irene Richardson, Chief Executive Officer, and Dr. David Dansie, Medical Staff President.

**WELCOME MEDICAL STAFF**

Mr. Jones welcomed the Medical Staff to the meeting. He thanked them for attending.

**MEDICAL STAFF UPDATE**

Dr. Dansie reported the nominating committee met. Elections for medical staff officers will be held later in the evening. The nominees for officers are: Dr. Lauridsen (President), Dr. Curry (Vice President), and Dr. Stewart (Secretary/Treasurer).

**HOSPITAL BOARD UPDATE**


Mr. Jones said he hopes work in the various board committees is helpful to the staff. We asked the County Commissioners for extra funding for some much-needed work. The Red Tie Gala is scheduled February 2. The Foundation voted unanimously to provide a gift of about \$200,000 in equipment purchases to the Hospital. Mr. Kelsey said one of the board's main concerns is the HVAC system for the Hospital. He said we are looking at a three year plan to make sure we care adequately cool in the summers and have better temperature control year-round. The cost will be several million dollars. Mr. Kelsey said we are looking at plans to start that. He said there are many other needs but that is one of the most pressing. Mr. Jones thanked everyone for all they do. He said their hard work and dedication are appreciated. Mr. Jones said the Hospital would not be what it is without the medical staff.

## CEO UPDATE

Ms. Richardson thanked everyone for all they do. She asked everyone to let her know if there are any questions or concerns. Ms. Richardson reviewed the strategic plan and schedule for Planetree information sessions. She said Planetree is the patient experience and person-centered culture group and invited everyone to attend an information session December 11 and 12 if at all possible. We continue to recruit in pediatrics, pulmonology, ortho and neurology. The community Christmas event is November 30. The lighted parade is December 1. The staff Christmas lunch and dinner is December 6. Ms. Richardson thanked physicians who have presented at the Kiwanis meetings held on-site weekly. The Hospital is a Tree of Sharing site. Ms. Kerry Downs, Medical Staff Services Manager, said we have four names left and invited anyone interested in helping provide Christmas for community children in need to contact her. Our staff and guests have already taken 27 children names. Dr. Jamias asked if Alicia Gray is still interested in coming. Ms. Richardson said the job is here if she wants it. Dr. Jamias asked about hospitalist coverage. Ms. Downs gave an update and said we have a schedule through the end of January and we are starting work on February. Dr. Symington said she knows someone who is a hard worker who may be interested in helping provide coverage.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:17 PM.

  
Mr. Richard Mathey, President

Attest:

  
Mr. Ed Tardoni, Secretary