

Phillips County Hospital
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
Education Conference Room, Phillips Co. Hospital
September 18, 2014

Board Members Present:

Art Henrickson
Stanley Kats
Sandi Preuss
Nicki Jones
De Suchsland

Hazel Ames
Arliss Hatcher
Stanley Robb
Mark Gervais

Staff Present: Dave Engel, CEO
Les Lacy, Regional VP for GPHA
Christi Driggs, CFO
Rhonda Kellerman, Clinic Administrator
Peggy Fabin, Recorder

Community Present:

Board Attorney Frankie Forbes, John Beim, Larry L. Hall, Max Dibble, Fred W. Hoppe, Artyce Hoppe, Christiana Criquet Cole, Jim Cole, Brennan Engle, Richard Ames, Jennifer Hamons, P.A. -C, Katie Heinzen, Gail Boaldin, Michelle Peak, Codi Gade, Becky Levin.

Art Henrickson called the Board of Trustees' meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Education/Conference Room at the Phillips County Hospital. Mark Gervais, made a motion to accept the agenda as emailed out. Hazel Ames seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Hazel Ames made a motion to accept the consent agenda with the deletion of the GPHA report. Arliss Hatcher seconded the motion. Motion carried. VP for GPHA, Les Lacy handed out the Spring/Summer GPHA update newsletter along with an article from Ken Moore of the United Methodist Health Ministry Fund on Grocery Bills and Medical Bills.

Public Comment: None

Reports:

Board Financial Report: Mark Gervais presented the Hospital Board of Trustees report for August 2014.

	Beginning Balance	Income	Expense	Ending Balance
Checking	\$ 5,084.62	\$245,339.11	\$ 245,338.00	\$ 5,085.73
Money Market	\$ 447,366.37	\$ 191.82	\$ 245,338.00	\$ 202,220.19
We Care Fund	\$ 10,281.50	\$ 1.57	\$.00	\$ 10,283.07
Certificates of Deposit				\$ 194,964.97
We Care CD's				\$ 9,500.00
Total Board Assets				\$ 422,053.96

Hospital Financial Report: Hospital financial reports for August 2014.

Total Assets / Liabilities	\$ 4,086,775
Cash Available for Debt Service	\$ 138,974
Total Patient Care Days	224
Clinic Visits / Services	866
Total Outpatient Services	5423

Communications (Information Only)

Medical Staff: Jennifer Hamons, P.A.-C reported that the Avera e-Emergency system is going well. Staff recently visited with Dr. Sarin, Orthopedic surgeon and are anxious for his outpatient services at PCH. The recent notice from Catholic Health Initiatives hospitals (Good Samaritan) stating that they remain out-of-network for those with Blue Cross Blue Shield health plans has raised concerns regarding our transfers to Good Samaritan. Blue Cross Blue Shield patients will be accepted as in-network in an emergency situation but is still a concern with outpatient and acute care patient. The clinic is doing research on scanning documents to the hospital for patients needing services in the ancillary departments.

7:25 p.m. Jennifer Hamons left the meeting.

Administrator Report: Dave Engel reported that a physician applicant had been interviewed. The committee elected to continue with the recruiting search. Phillips County Hospital will begin the Meaningful Use attestation process, Stage 1 on October 1, 2014. This will be a 90 consecutive day capture of clinical data to support receipt of Medicare incentive payments. We

must be fully compliant with all 14 core elements to be eligible. Dr. Ben is attending a provider/clinical presentation in Norton next week on the Kansas Heart Stroke Collaborative. The 340 B pharmacy audit will be on September 26, 2014. Phillips County Hospital will engage in a mobile sleep lab service. Implementation of the sleep service is projected towards the 3rd week of October. Credentialing is in process for Dr. Sarin, Orthopedic surgeon. Dave and Christi Driggs will be attending the fall KHA district meeting September 24. Main topics of the KHA meeting will be Veterans Assistance for local care, conflict of conditions of payment and participation in the 96 hour ruling. Peggy Fabin is waiting to receive word from two foundations on submitted grant applications but has received four denials on other applications. Letters of request continue to be submitted to foundations as research is completed. Peggy will be taking a 9 week online grant class. Hospital and clinic staff, providers and trustees will be participating in a customer service evaluation program the end of October. Arliss Hatcher, Art Henrickson, Stan Kats volunteered to represent the trustees.

7:52 - Chairman Henrickson called for a 5 minute break.

7:57 – Entered into regular meeting.

Old Business:

Community Education: Kelly Vanderplas continues to meet and welcome new residents of the county and provide them with information on our services. Kelly has given presentation on our available services to seven different groups or organizations since August.

Business Development: will be presented under #6 D, GPHA Affiliation Recommendation.

Housing- Sandi was asked to lead the housing committee. Volunteering to help Sandi with this was Stan Robb, and Arliss Hatcher, maybe Nicki Jones. This committee will advise the Board on what renovations are to be made as well as recommend available contractors, propose a budget, propose materials, paint, and carpeting to be used in renovating the recently purchased home.

Foundation- Mark Gervais reported that the Foundation Board sent the gift policy to Board Attorney, Frankie Forbes. The preliminary 501 (c) 3 status paperwork has begun. The three board members will be attending a Kansas Healthcare Philanthropy Network in Salina on Sept. 24.

The GPHA affiliation recommendation from the August meeting was presented for discussion. Mark Gervais moved to enter into negotiations with Great Plains Health Alliance for a management agreement. Arliss Hatcher seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-1.

8:27 Artyce Hoppe left the meeting.

Mark Gervais motioned to extend the "lease" agreement to end March 31, 2015. Arliss Hatcher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mark Gervais motioned to commit the funds refunded through the Medicare Cost report to an escrow account to be used for repayment of the General Obligation Bonds in the hospital referendum is passed by the voters in November. Stan Kats seconded the motion. Motion carries 7-1

8:38- Brennan Engle left the meeting.

New Business: Social Services director, Katie Heinzen presented the hospital's Community Benefit report. Katie presented graphs depicting Phillips County Hospital's unreimbursed services for Charity Care, Bad Debits and Medicaid Shortfalls for the years of 2010 – 2014. Katie will be attending a Community Benefit conference in the next week.

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: Stan Kats moved that the meeting adjourn; Stan Robb seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Secretary Nazel Ames
Recorder Peggy Faber