

Mason District Hospital Board of Director's Meeting
Administrative Conference Room
November 29th, 2023

Members Present:

W. Blessman, Chairman
D. Houghton, Vice Chairman
M. Balbinot, Secretary
D. Bryant, Treasurer
R. Fornoff
L. Leach
A. Tucker
D. Gunter
C. Himmel

Members Absent:

Others Present:

D. Kosier, CEO
L. Bonnett, CFO
J. Shults, Recorder

Others Absent:

D. Bull, CNO
S. Noll, MD

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Blessman, Chairman called the meeting of the Board of Directors of Mason District Hospital to order at 7:00 AM, Wednesday, November 29, 2023.

II. **QUORUM**

Roll call was taken to establish a quorum.

III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments at this time.

Mr. Blessman welcomed new Board member, Mrs. Himmel to the Board meeting.

Mr. Blessman reported that Mr. Gunter was the presiding officer at the Veteran's Day event and his remarks about being a soldier back in the 1970's was very well done.

IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The monthly meeting minutes of October 25, 2023 were approved by unanimous vote.

V. **AUXILIARY REPORT**

Mrs. Bonnett reported there was a Midwest Book Fair held on November 20th.

Nothing Bundt Cake fundraiser is going on now, orders and money are due to Noelle Roos by December 4, 2023. The bundt cakes will be delivered on December 13th.

It was reported that there were lots of new Christmas décor and gifts in the gift shop.

The Cakewalk raised \$5700.00 in profits this year which was more than the previous year. It was reported that the cakewalk charged fifty cents instead of a quarter and some of the cakes were sold at the end of the event.

The Auxiliary Christmas Luncheon would be held on December 11th.

VI. **REPORTS**

A. **Accountable Care Organization Update**

Mr. Blessman reported that the handout was included in the packet for everyone to review. (Copy attached and considered part of the permanent minutes on file in Administration).

Mr. Kosier reviewed the ACO with the Board.

Discussion took place regarding what QAPI was and how there are goals that the hospital is required to meet.

B. **Executive Committee**

Mr. Blessman reported that the Executive Committee met this past month and are overseeing the recruitment of the new CEO. It was reported that the recruiting firm would be here tomorrow meeting with some of the public on an individual basis to get their input on what they would like to see in a CEO. It was reported that after this meeting, the next steps would be established in the recruitment process. It was reported that Executive Committee would be meeting when there are things that need to be discussed. It was reported that the recruiting firm has reached out to candidates, the job has not been posted at this time but they are preparing to post it soon.

C. **Administrator's Report**

Mr. Kosier updated the Board on the activities taking place at the organization since the last Board meeting, (a copy of the Administrator's Report is attached to and considered part of the permanent minutes on file in Administration).

Mr. Kosier reported that we would start looking into a Pain Management Clinic with Dr. Feather to possibly come once or twice a month.

Mr. Kosier reported that we would be starting to interview for the replacement of Cristy Lane, NP which will be retiring in April 2024.

E. **Financial Report**

Mrs. Bonnett briefly reviewed the Financial Report for October 2023, (a copy of the August Financial Report is attached to and considered part of the permanent minutes on file in Administration).

Mrs. Bonnett reported that October was the first month of the new fiscal year.

Mrs. Bonnett briefly reviewed the Treasurer's Report which showed a Total Board Designated Cash and Investment to be \$ 1M.

Mrs. Bonnett reported that for revenue over expenses we are favorable.

Mrs. Bonnett reported that the auditors are currently here and the auditors report would be presented in February 2024. It was reported that the bond would be paid off in December

2025. It was reported that numbers were up for outpatient services on Med/ Surg., Home Health, Nuclear Medicine, Senior Advantage and Clinics.

Discussion took place regarding ER visits and how Chronic Care Management helps teach patients to make an appointment with their primary care Physician, the Nurse Practitioner or using the Immediate Care instead of using the ER.

F. **Medical Staff**

Mr. Kosier reported that the Medical Executive Committee of the Medical Staff met on November 13, 2023. Dr. Noll reported that the Medical Executive Committee recommended that the following be granted privileges as indicated:

- Colleen Silva, MD – Privileges in Dermatology
- Funmilayo Tade-Adewale, MD – Privileges in Radiology
- Rene Elks-Cedillo, NP – Privileges as a Nurse Practitioner

Mr. Bryant made a motion to grant Medical Staff membership and privileges as recommended by the Medical Staff. Seconded by Mr. Gunter. The Ayes carried the motion by unanimous vote.

Mr. Kosier reported that the Medical Executive Committee recommended the following be granted re-appointment to the Medical Staff as indicated:

- Chad Miller, MD – Re-appointment to the Telemedicine Staff as a Neurologist

Mr. Bryant made a motion to grant re-appointment of the Medical Staff as recommended by the Medical Staff. Seconded by Mr. Gunter. The Ayes carried the motion by unanimous vote.

VII. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. **December meeting**

Mr. Blessman suggested that the board meet in December on the 27th and it may be a quick meeting.

B. **Time of Board Meetings**

Mr. Blessman reported that there was previous discussion about changing the meeting time to 8 AM for this meeting instead of at 7 AM. It was reported that in order for Dr. Noll to be able to attend, we would need to leave the meeting time at 7 AM.

C. **Professional Advisory**

Mr. Kosier reviewed with the Board the meetings and policies which were reviewed. (Copy attached to and considered part of the permanent minutes on file in Administration).

Mrs. Balbinot made a motion for approval. Seconded by Mr. Houghton. The Ayes carried the motion by unanimous vote.

VIII. **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business to be discussed.

IX. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Bryant moved to enter Executive Session at approximately 7:37 AM for the purpose of discussing legal and personnel matters. Seconded by Mrs. Leach. The Ayes carried the motion by unanimous vote.

X. **RECONVENE**

The regular Board Meeting reconvened at approximately 8:08 AM.

XI. **OTHER**

A. **3rd Quarter, 2023 PI Report**

Mr. Houghton moved for approval of the 3rd Quarter, 2023 PI Report. Seconded by Mrs. Balbinot. The Ayes carried the motion by unanimous vote.

Mr. Kosier discussed with the Board that one of the Physicians had brought up robotics for the Surgery department. He reported that a company came on Monday and gave a presentation on the DaVinci robot. It was reported that most of the new Surgeons are being taught how to perform surgeries with robotics instead of performing open surgeries. It was reported that this would be something for the hospital to think about getting in the future. It was reported that the hospital was looking into the cost vs. revenue and we were given CPT codes for billing. Discussion took place regarding if the robot could be leased, who would be doing any upgrades and that there are less infections using robotics.

Discussion took place regarding coming up with a Strategic Plan for the hospital to move forward on and some of the items being needing room in the clinics, moving Physical Therapy and Lab Departments, etc.

A question was asked if the hospital was thinking about trying to get an Oncologist here and it was reported that the hospital has been in discussions with Springfield Clinic.

Discussion took place regarding having a Joint Conference Meeting with the Medical Staff after the first of the year to hear what they think are important items for the hospital. It was suggested to see if they would want to meet during the day or meet in the evening.

XII. **ADJOURN**

Mr. Bryant made motion to adjourn the session at 8:29 AM. Seconded by Mrs. Balbinot. The Ayes carried the motion by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marty Balbinot, Secretary

Board of Directors