

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND BOARD OF
TRUSTEES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF
TALLAHATCHIE GENERAL HOSPITAL**

December 26, 2017

On this date at the hour of 11:30 a.m., the Board of Trustees and Board of Trustees Executive Committee met in regular session in the hospital board room with the following trustees and personnel, to wit:

David Hargett, Trustee District One
Ike Sayle, Trustee District Two
Gerry Speir, Trustee District Three
Willie Lockett, Trustee District Five
Jim Blackwood, Administrator
Joey Brunson, Chief Financial Officer
Buddy McRae, Chief Operating Officer
Rani Richard, Finance

Trustee Sayle opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the November 28, 2017 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Trustee Sayle to approve the minutes from the last meeting with one revision. The motion was seconded by Trustee Hargett with all Trustees voting "Aye" in favor of the motion.

Mr. Brunson gave the Board copies of the statistics for the providers showing their 7production in the hospital and the clinic for the month of October 2017. The Board reviewed the statistics and questions were asked and answered.

Mr. Brunson presented the report of the Finance Committee for November 2017 financials to the Board. Questions were asked and answered about the statements. A motion was made by Trustee Hargett to approve the report of the Finance Committee for November 2017 as presented with the additional list that Mr. Brunson is to prepare and have for the Finance Committee's viewing at the January, 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sayle with all Trustees voting "Aye" in favor of the motion.

Mr. Blackwood circulated the Administrator's comments, a copy of which appears as Exhibit 1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. Questions were asked and answered concerning the Administrator's comments. The Board entered executive session to discuss outstanding legal matters. Upon conclusion of that discussion, the Board adjourned executive session and resumed the general meeting.

Mr. McRae circulated the Quality Report and HCAHPS Report for November 2017. Questions were asked and answered concerning the quality metrics for the month.

There being no further matters for discussion, the Board adjourned.

Administrator's Comments – Meeting of December 26, 2017

Nursing Home – We have 95 residents in the nursing home with one empty bed on the general care side. We still have one vacant semi-private bed on the general care side. We have two empty beds on the special care side. Our nursing home staff is evaluating two candidates for the special care beds.

Screen Team – We have discontinued screen team services until further notice from North Sunflower on the resolution of its issues with the Division of Medicaid. Two of our employees with that service have found work elsewhere. Two of our nurses and one clerical person have been transitioned to our Initial Preventive Physical Examinations and Annual Wellness Exams. Two of these staff members will also work with chronic care management. We have entered into agreements with two LCSWs who will be providing therapy services in the nursing home who will be paid on flat fee per session.

Corporate Compliance Program – The initial training for our new compliance program is substantially complete and will be concluded before the end of the year.

New Activity Space – Additional work on the new activity space will be taking place after in January 2018. This work includes new cabinetry, window treatments and relocation of the television. On December 8, I presented a power point to the hospital auxiliary explaining the reasoning for our activities move. I am enclosing a copy of the presentation for your review and will share the highlights of the presentation with you at the meeting. We received good feedback from those in attendance.

New Therapy Space – The work on the new therapy space in the former activities space is approximately 80% complete. The new equipment is ready for delivery and will be installed once the room is ready.

Christmas Party – The annual Christmas Party was held on December 8. Our attendance for this year’s party was slightly down due to other school related events scheduled in our area. However, on the whole, the party was a success.

State Auditor’s Report -- On December 14, the State Auditor issued another report concerning the financial condition of the county owned hospitals in the state. The Auditor downgraded TGH’s rating from “Good” in 2013, 2014, and 2015, to poor in 2016, which is attributed in large part to our capital expenditures in 2016 which we funded out of cash and our operational loss for that year. I have prepared a letter to the editor for the local paper in response to the Auditor’s report, which I am including in your packet. We also plan to discuss the report in more detail at the meeting.

Legal Matters:

The Estate of William Brewer, Sr. – No new developments.