

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

August 27, 2019

On this date at the hour of 10:30 a.m., The Board of Trustees and Board of Trustees Executive Committee met in regular session at the hospital boardroom with the following trustees and personnel, to wit:

David Hargett, Trustee District One
Gerry Speir, Trustee District Three
Morris Murphey, Trustee District Four
Willie Lockett, Trustee District Five
Jim Blackwood, Administrator
Joey Brunson, CFO
Buddy McRae, COO
Rani Richard, Finance

Trustee Hargett opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the July 23, 2019 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Trustee Hargett to approve the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockett with all trustees voting "Aye" approving the minutes of the meeting.

Mr. Brunson gave the Board copies of the statistics for the providers showing their production in the hospital and the clinic for the month of July 2019. The Board reviewed these statistics and questions were asked and answered.

Mr. Brunson presented the report of the Finance Committee for the July 2019 financials. Questions were asked and answered about the statements. A motion was made by Trustee Lockett to approve the summary report of the Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphey 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.

Mr. Blackwood suggested that the Board enter into executive session to discuss a strategic business planning. Trustee Hargett made a motion that the Board enter into executive session to discuss these matters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphey with all Trustees voting "Aye" in favor of the motion to enter into executive session. Upon conclusion of this discussion, Trustee Hargett made a motion that the Board exit executive session. The motion to exit executive session was seconded by Trustee Lockett with all Trustees voting "Aye" in favor of the motion.

Trustee Hargett made a motion that we approve what was discussed in executive session as to the Fred's Pharmacy and authorize Mr. Blackwood to purchase the files and software from Fred's. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockett with all Trustees voting "Aye" in favor of the motion.

Buddy McRae circulated the Quality Report and HCAHPS for July, 2019. Questions were asked and answered concerning the quality metrics for the month.

Mr. McRae also represented a policy for Respiratory Therapy – BiPap/CPAP. After a review of this motion, Trustee Hargett made a motion to approve this policy. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphey with all Trustees voting "Aye" in favor of the motion.

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

Administrator's Comments – Meeting of August 27, 2019

Nursing Home Census – We have 93 residents in the nursing home with two beds open on the general care side and three beds open on the special care side. Later this week, ECF Administrator Jan Maddux, DON Laura Kathryn Nipper and social worker Tara Hervey are going to conduct a marketing lunch at Providence in Batesville.

ACO and Population Health Initiatives – Our ACO and population health initiatives continue to grow. We currently have 234 active CCM patients (up from 202 last month), and we have conducted 413 AWWs this year (up from 348 last month). Mike Chandler continues to do an excellent job of coordinating our population health and ACO activities.

CVS Caremark – TGH Discount Pharmacy is now officially in the CVS Caremark network, and claims are being processed without any issues. This is being publicized in television and print advertising, on social media and with banners on the storefront.

Fred's Pharmacy Offer – Pursuant to the authority given by the board last month, we engaged in several rounds of negotiations with brokers for Fred's Pharmacy over the Charleston store files. After we successfully negotiated to within \$10,000 of Fred's last offer, Fred's abruptly stopped negotiating without explanation. When approximately a week passed without a response from Fred's to TGH's last offer, we informed Fred's that the offer would be automatically withdrawn if not accepted by 5:00 pm that day, and Fred's allowed the deadline to pass.

TGH Discount Pharmacy – We filled 3,502 prescriptions in July, up from 3,101 prescriptions in June. It should be noted that this is the largest number of prescriptions filled since March; while we obviously cannot predict the combined effect of reentry into the CVS network and the closure of the Fred's retail store, we are hopeful that this number will continue to increase.

Computer Upgrades – Approximately 85% of TGH's computers are running the Windows 7 operating system, originally released in 2009. Microsoft has announced that they are discontinuing technical support for Windows 7 next January, requiring us to upgrade to the current version, Windows 10. The total cost of the upgrade is approximately \$57,000, but IT has worked with our vendor (which is part of a GPO) to gradually buy and install the upgrades between now and January.

TGH Strategic Plan – We continue to try to schedule a time with a consultant who can help draft our strategic plan. We will hopefully have a clearer time frame next month, and will keep you posted.

Meeting Time Reminder – As a reminder, our finance committee meeting will begin at 10:00. Our regular board meeting will begin at 10:30.

Legal Matters:

Network Services Solutions – No new developments

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