

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

**January 28, 2020**

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 in the board room at the Administration House with the following trustees and personnel, to wit:

David Hargett, Trustee District One  
Isaac W. Sayle, Trustee District Two  
Gerry Speir, Trustee District Three  
Morris Murphey, Trustee District Four  
Willie Lockett, Trustee District Five  
Jim Blackwood, Administrator  
Buddy McRae, Chief Operating Officer  
Joey Brunson, Chief Financial Officer  
Rani Richard, Finance Department

Trustee Lockett opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the December 17, 2019 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Trustee Lockett to approve the minutes from the last meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphey with all Trustees voting "Aye" in favor of the motion.

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 December 2019. The Board reviewed the statistics and questions were asked and answered.

Mr. Brunson presented the report of the Finance Committee for December 2019 financials to the Board. Questions were asked and answered about this report. A motion was made by Trustee Sayle to approve the report of the Finance Committee for December 2019. The motion was seconded by Trustee Hargett 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 advised that we did have an active shooter on campus. Everyone was notified and all buildings went on shutdown. The campus remained on full shutdown until the shooter was identified and taken into custody. Everyone responded well to this incident, but this incident prompted some changes to our Active Shooter policy.

Mr. Blackwood also advised the Board that he had been contacted by an attorney to participate in the opioid litigation. After a discussion of this matter, Trustee Sayle requested that Mr. Blackwood obtain more information and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Mr. McRae circulated the Quality Report and HCAHPS Report for December 2019.

Lisa Smiley appeared before the Board of Trustees and presented the following reports:

- 1) Annual CAH Program Evaluation for 2019);
- 2) 2019 Annual Infection Control Report; and
- 3) TGH Physical Environment Management Plans Annual Evaluation (December, 2019).

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

## **Administrator's Comments – Meeting of January 28, 2020**

**Nursing Home Census** – We have 94 residents in the nursing home, with one bed open on the general care side and three on the special care side.

**ACO and Population Health Initiatives** – Growth continues in our Accountable Care Organization and Population Health programs. We currently have 330 active Chronic Care Management patients (up from 320 in December), and we have conducted 40 Medicare Annual Wellness Visits so far this year. We have also conducted 88 Blue Cross Color Me Healthy exams (up from 87 last three weeks ago).

**TGH Discount Pharmacy** – We filled 5,886 prescriptions in December, down from the 6,668 filled in November. Through January 22, we have filled 4,634 prescriptions; although unpredictable, if we continue on roughly the same pace through the remainder of the month of January, it would appear that January's totals will be closer to November's than December's. We are currently working with our software provider to set up the program and employee training required for syncing of prescriptions. Once this in place, we can proceed with launching a delivery service.

**Tutwiler Clinic** – The storms that passed through the area on January 11 did only superficial damage to the clinic building, although its power was interrupted until the following Wednesday. We are also hearing that a handful of providers in neighboring areas, such as Marks, are either retiring or scaling back their practices. So far we have seen a slight uptick in daily visits, and will continue to monitor this.

**340B Program Audit** – We received notice that we have been selected to undergo a routine audit of our 340B prescription drug program. Hospital pharmacist Stephanie Sinquefeld is gathering the documentation needed to respond, which we expect will be submitted before today's meeting. We are not aware of any potential issues.

**CMS Desk Review** – I have previously briefed the board regarding ongoing discussions with CMS related to a desk review being conducted of

our allocation of time and expenses of ED providers. Neither we nor our auditors have heard anything further from CMS. We will continue to monitor the situation and advise the board as necessary.

**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.