

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

July 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 at the boardroom in the Administration House with the following trustees and personnel, to wit:

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

Trustee Lockett opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the June 23, 2020 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 June 2020. The Board reviewed these statistics and questions were asked and answered.

Mr. Brunson presented the report of the Finance Committee for the June 2019 financials. Questions were asked and answered about the statements. A motion was made by Trustee Sayle to approve the summary report of the Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockett 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 reported to the Board regarding our continued participation in the Myriad ACO. As suggested by the Myriad Board, TGH submitted a letter to Caravan informing them of our decision to not renew their contract as the manager of the ACO. Thereafter, Mr. Blackwood also received a letter from Caravan stating that they would not be responding to Myriad's new RFP for managed services. However, the letter also extended TGH an offer to join one of Caravan's nationwide collaboratives on the grounds that TGH had exhibited success in its population health services. Caravan also stated that several hospitals representing approximately 30,000 lives were not performing as required, which potentially jeopardized shared savings in 2021. Mr. Blackwood stated that he and Mr. McRae would be having further discussions with both Caravan and representatives on the executive committee with Myriad to determine the most appropriate path for TGH. Mr. Speir responded that Mr. Blackwood is still covered under the motion made at the last Board meeting. Mr. Blackwood will update the Board at the next meeting.

Mr. McRae circulated the Quality Report and HCAHPS for June, 2020. 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 June 23, 2020

Nursing Home Census – We have 88 residents in the nursing home, with five beds open on the general care side and five on the special care side. Referrals have been limited since the onset of COVID-19, and we are applying heightened scrutiny to what referrals we are getting.

ACO and Population Health Initiatives – Our Population Health/ACO initiatives continue to see significant growth. We currently have 908 active Chronic Care Management patients (up from 830 in May). We have now conducted 107 Medicare Annual Wellness Visits, although this number will likely be slow to increase as the clinic reopens. We have not performed any additional Blue Cross Color Me Healthy exams in the past month.

TGH Discount Pharmacy – We filled 4,621 prescriptions in May, down from 5,043 in April. We suspect the decrease in volume is related to less patients going to doctors and/or obtaining prescription refills since the onset of COVID-19. Also, since prescription syncing became available, a growing number of customers have begun to use the service, meaning that their prescriptions will be filled less often. We still plan to introduce a delivery service, though this has been delayed for now due to COVID-related factors.

DNV Survey – Some time ago, DNV notified its accredited hospitals that it would be conducting “virtual” surveys until on-site inspections could resume, and that the ordinary time windows may be rearranged. While our typical survey window would be in September-October, we have now been told that we will have a virtual survey done next week, with the entire process done via teleconferencing and document sharing. We notified department heads of this possibility approximately one month ago, and are now finalizing preparations for the survey.

COVID-19 – Since our last meeting, four TGH employees and two ECF residents have tested positive for COVID-19. Three of the employees were ECF A-wing CNAs, which is where the two positive ECF residents were identified (the fourth positive employee works in the Charleston

Clinic). We have since re-tested all A-wing residents who were in rooms serviced by the three CNAs, and all of the tests were negative, so the outbreak appears to be contained. Two of the CNAs never had symptoms and have now returned to work; the third became symptomatic and had to be hospitalized, but has now fully recovered. The two positive residents already had significant underlying health issues, and had DNR orders stating that they did not wish to be intubated, put on a ventilator, or undergo any invasive life-preserving measures. As of this writing, one is hospitalized at TGH and the other is in Oxford. Indicators for recovery for both residents are questionable.

Since we have positive employees and/or residents in the ECF, every resident's family has been called and informed, and a special number has been set up that families can call for the latest information. The results have also been reported to every governmental and regulatory agency to which we are required to report.

We have made no changes in the past month to the visitation policies we put in place in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including no visitors in the hospital or ECF, employee screenings, etc. The Wellness Center has now reopened, and IOP has resumed activities. Both are doing so within all applicable regulations and best practices concerning social distancing, facility cleaning, etc.

As of this writing, there have been 49 confirmed cases (up from 21 in May and 9 in April) and 1 death in Tallahatchie County; of the new Tallahatchie County cases, 5 were tested at a TGH facility.

Employee Health Insurance Plan Renewal: We have renewed our employee health insurance plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield. With the help of Linda Rowland, we were able to offer a gap plan that significantly lowered employee deductibles without increasing the cost of the plan to TGH.

Legal Matters:

Network Services Solutions – No new developments.

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