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

May 24, 2021

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 Multipurpose Room at the James C. Kennedy Wellness Center 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, Administrator Joey Brunson, Chief Financial Officer Buddy McRae, Chief Operating Officer Rani Richard, Finance

Trustee Lockett opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the April 27, 2021 meeting. A motion was made by Trustee Sayle to approve the minutes from the last regular meeting. The motion was seconded by 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 production in the hospital and the clinic for the month of April 2021. The Board reviewed the statistics and questions were asked and answered.

Mr. Brunson presented the report of the Finance Committee for the April 2021 financials. Questions were asked and answered about the report. A motion was made by Trustee Hargett to approve the summary report of the Finance

Committee. 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.

Mr. McRae circulated the Quality Report and HCAHPS for April, 2020. Questions were asked and answered concerning the quality metrics for the month.

Mr. Blackwood advised the Board that Mr. Speir had contacted Donald Wayne Staten in reference to the sale of the 2004 Ford F150 truck. Mr. Blackwood reported that Mr. Staten would not offer more than the bid received in response to the notice to bidders that was published in the local paper. Mr. Blackwood requested the board to ratify the sale of the 2004 Ford F150 truck to JJ Merchant for his bid price of \$379.79. A motion was made by Trustee Lockett to ratify this sale to JJ Merchant. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sayle with all Trustees voting "Aye" in favor of the motion.

Mr. Blackwood reported to the Board that he had contacted the representatives of 340B Together and made a few changes to the original proposal that was discussed at the April, 2021 meeting. Mr. Blackwood did reach out to the trustees and discussed these changes and requested approval to enter into the agreement with his requested revisions. Mr. Blackwood requested that the Board ratify his entering into this agreement. Trustee Murphey made a motion that the actions taken by Mr. Blackwood entering into the agreement with 340B Together be ratified. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockett with all Trustees voting "Aye" in favor of the motion.

Mr. Blackwood reported to the Board that he had received the renewal quotes from Rowland Insurance Agency as to our health insurance, dental and vision plans. There was no change as to the health insurance rates and the vision plan rates. There was a slight increase in the dental plan.

Mr. Blackwood requested that the Board enter into executive session to discussion to discuss with the Board a Human Resource matter. Trustee Sayle made a motion that the Board enter into executive session to discuss a Human Resource matter. The motion was seconded by Trustee Hargett. Upon conclusion of the discussion of this matter, Trustee Sayle made a motion that the Board exit executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sayle and the Board then adjourned executive session and resumed the regular meeting.

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

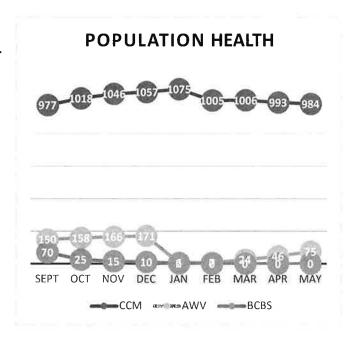
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<u>Nursing Home Census</u> – We have 73 residents in the nursing home, up from 72 last month. We have 11 beds open on the general care side and 14 on the special care side.

ACO and Population Health

Initiatives –We have enrolled 984 participants into our Chronic Care Management program, down from 993 last month. We have now conducted 75 Medicare Annual Wellness Visits, up from 46 last month. BCBS Color Me Healthy exams remain flat.

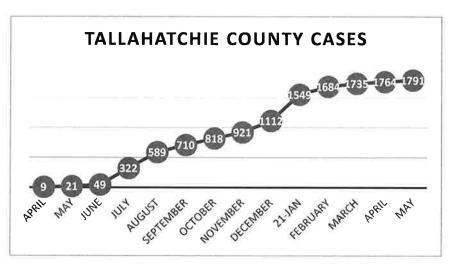
<u>TGH Discount Pharmacy</u> – We filled 4,858 prescriptions in March, up slightly from 4,847 prescriptions in March.





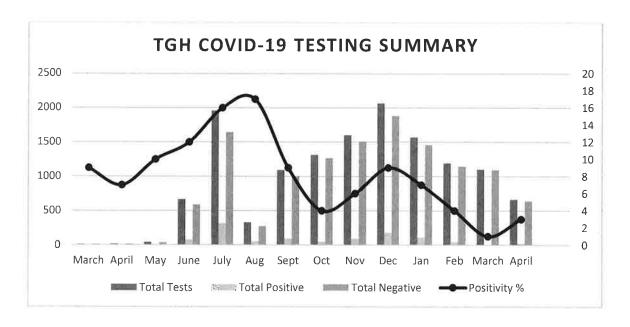
<u>COVID-19</u> – Tallahatchie County's number of COVID-19 cases increased to 1,791, up from 1,764 last month. There was one additional death last month, bringing the county's total number of COVID-19 deaths to 41.

We currently have no positive ECF residents, and it has been several weeks since we had a positive patient on the hospital floor. Outbreaks among TGH staff remain very



limited, and are becoming rarer.

With public demand for the vaccine falling sharply, we can now handle those requests through the clinic like other vaccines. Anyone who calls and requests a vaccine is now given an appointment time to have it done at the clinic.



<u>Tutwiler Clinic</u>: I have learned that the TGH Foundation has hired an architect who has drawn a preliminary design for a new Tutwiler Clinic building, and that the Foundation is in discussions about acquiring property

on the highway for the new clinic building. I will keep you updated on what impact this may have on TGH as the tenant of the Foundation's building.

TGH Discount Pharmacy: We began home deliveries of medications this week, and are working to market this new service to the public. We also agreed to let our Good Neighbor Pharmacy representative assess what we have for sale in the front of the store, and make recommendations concerning our inventory and marketing.

Becker's Hospital Review Recognition: On May 3, Becker's Hospital Review, a nationwide publication covering the hospital industry, published an article entitled, "The Nation's Top 27 Patient-Recommended Hospitals, Pre-Pandemic." Of these 27 hospitals from across the country, Tallahatchie General Hospital was the only one in Mississippi. The article noted that "at least 93 percent of patients at these 27 hospitals responded, 'Yes, I would definitely recommend the hospital."

<u>340B Proposal</u>: Per the board's instructions last month, I met with representatives from 340B Together to discuss TGH's counteroffer. I will provide more details to the board in person.

Legal Matters: None.