

**CHIPPEWA COUNTY-MONTEVIDEO HOSPITAL
REGULAR HOSPITAL COMMISSION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 2017**

- I. The regular meeting of the Hospital Commission was called to order by Chairman Rekow on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, at 3:30 pm in the Hospital Conference Room. Members present were: Steve Condon, Nick Krueger, Jeff Lopez, Mark Rekow, Nathan Schmidt, and Samantha Seeman. Members absent were: None Others present were: Chuck Bruhn, Phil Vuocolo, Jeremiah Lindgren, Darlene Boike, Bill Brown Lana Dirksen, Sue Jerve, Ali Peterson, Jeremy Heim, and David Stendahl.
 - A Motion by Krueger, second by Schmidt and carried unanimously, to approve the minutes from the August 19, 2017 meeting as written.
 - B. Rekow called for public concerns with none being presented.
 - C. Motion by Lopez, second by Condon and carried unanimously to approve agenda as modified. Motion by Schmidt, second by Lopez, to approve additions to agenda as presented.

- II. Action Items
 - A. Motion by Krueger, second by Seeman, and carried unanimously to approve the August 2017 financial and statistical report as presented. We are currently experiencing an operating loss due to decreasing stats, loss of providers, interim management costs, higher cost of locum's staff and pool nurses, and recruitment costs. Due to this, we stopped the monthly \$230,000 transfer of funds from current to funded depreciation starting in July, 2017, and also took out a temporary operating loan from our own funded depreciation account of \$1 million. This will need to be paid back at the earning rate of 1%. Consensus of the board was to delay pay back until things stabilize again.
 - B. Motion by Lopez, second by Schmidt and carried unanimously to approve payment of bills totaling \$3,115,754.64.
 - C. Motion by Lopez, second by Schmidt and carried unanimously to write off hospital and clinic accounts totaling \$156,027.01 and Charity Care totaling \$34,056.84 as presented.
 - D. Capital Purchases:
 - Motion by Schmidt, second by Krueger, and carried unanimously to purchase the EMS upgrade from UHL for \$56,975, pending approval of City and County board
 - Vocera upgrade of \$13,536.60 was tabled at this time
 - E. Credentialing: Motion by Krueger, second by Lopez, and carried unanimously to approve Courtesy Staff privileges for ER Physicians: Gautam Jayaswal, MD, Lavanya Bhoopathy, MD, and David Geier, MD.

III. Information:

- A. CNO Report was presented by Bill Brown, Interim CNO. We have hired 5 nurses and have formed a community focus group. New orientation for agency nurses is in place.
- B. CMO Report was presented by Dr. Vuocolo. We are working on Bylaws changes, and have filled the Infection Prevention position
- C. Recruitment & Retention: No current prospects. Provider onboarding process has improved
- D. Southern Prairie Community Care: We received a 2015 settlement for \$61,972.
- E. Walk-In Clinic: We are waiting for providers and are currently staffing with locums. Triage nurse has started.
- F. Governance & Planning Committee: Working on strategic plan
- G. Quality Assurance – no report – we are looking for a Quality Director
- H. County Board vacancy – no update
- I. ACO/Caravan – Jeremiah has set up a steering committee. He hopes to have a care coordinator in place by first of year.
- J. Meditech EMR – After a long discussion, it was decided to put the current Meditech conversion to 6.1 on Hold. We will hold a special board meeting in a couple of weeks to develop a workplan.
- K. MN Trails Initiative to establish a sidewalk was rejected
- L. Board Member Assessments were distributed. These are to be returned to Chairman Rekow within 2-3 weeks.

- III. Informational and Clinic update items reviewed were minutes from Medical Staff, Department Head meetings, and MGMA presentation update

Motion by Lopez, second by Condon, and carried unanimously to go into closed session to discuss a personnel issue at 6:11 pm

Respectfully submitted, Darlene Boike, Recording Secretary

CLOSED SESSION:

Motion by , second by and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at __ pm

Samantha Seeman, Secretary