SPARTA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held on September 20, 2022 at Broadway Plaza in Room A of the Auxiliary Building.

Members Present Included: John Clendenin, Tyra Edmundson, Jesica Gentry-Schlimme, Kay Hapke, Chris Haury, and Claudia Kerens

Members Absent: Dennis Ernsting, Michael Howell, and Kevin Wilson

Non-Members Present: Dr. David Chung, MD, Joann Emge, Lisa Ernsting, Lisa Rutledge, and Kelsey Diskey

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM by Mr. Clendenin.

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Interim Secretary	Ms. Edmundson motioned to approve Ms. Kerens as the interim
 Mr. Clendenin shared the absence of the Secretary and acknowledged that Ms. Kerens agreed to assume the Secretary's duties during this meeting. 	secretary. Ms. Gentry-Schlimme seconded. Motion carried.
Introductions • Ms. Rutledge was introduced as the Revenue Cycle Manager.	
Minutes • Approval of the August 16, 2022 minutes.	Ms. Kerens motioned to approve the August 16, 2022 minutes. Ms. Gentry-Schlimme seconded. Motion carried.
Financials	
Mr. Clendenin shared the treasurer's report.	Ms. Kerens motioned to approve the treasurer's report subject to
Ms. Ernsting shared the financial report for August 2022.	audit. Ms. Hapke seconded. Motion carried.
Physician's Report	
• Dr. Chung shared that the Med Surg unit has been busy with a variety of illness,	
mainly non-COVID related illness, but has included some patients recovering	
from COVID. The average census has been about 13-14, with about 10-11 inpatients. Transferring patients to other facilities continues to be an issue due to	
staffing at other facilities.	
• Flu shots will be available in the clinics very soon. The CDC recommends	
receiving the vaccine prior to October 31. The vaccines contain all three strains	
of the flu. High does vaccines are recommended for individuals age 65 and	
older. If a high dose vaccine is not available, then it's ok to receive a regular dose vaccine.	
 Flu and COVID vaccines can be received at the same time, and it's 	
recommended to receive high dose flu vaccine in a separate arm than the COVID vaccine.	
• The lethality of COVID has decreased from the original strain of 15.1% to the	
current strain of 4.9%. COVID vaccines are available for children age 6 months	
and older. Paxlovid is still available to treat COVID. Dr. Chung shared the	

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Randolph county report card in terms of child vaccines dated September 5, 2022. Dr. Chung will be on the radio in October to discuss the COVID vaccines to encourage COVID vaccines for seniors and everyone who is eligible. Being proactive and getting vaccines can help in preventing deaths. New bivalent vaccines are available locally and locations to receive them can be found at vaccines.gov. Both Pfizer and Moderna bivalent vaccines available for individuals age 12 and older. The COVID vaccine lasts about 3-6 months and brands can be interchanged. The new bivalent vaccine can only be offered as a booster, not as part of the original vaccine series. With the new bivalent vaccine, there is inconclusive data showing that switching brands is more beneficial. There is an alternative COVID vaccine brand called Novavax that is available to individuals who prefer a vaccine without mRNA. No cases of Monkey pox have been reported in Randolph County to date. Individuals usually have flu-like symptoms before getting a rash that looks like Chicken Pox. If patients present with a rash, they should remain in their car because it transmitted by a direct contact. To confirm the disease, a skin swab of the rash is sent to Quest. There are no Monkey Pox vaccines available at this time, however, it is very rare to die from monkey pox. Chicago had a lot of cases.	
CEO ReportMs. Emge shared the CEO report.	
 Executive Session Ms. Rutledge left the meeting at 5:10 PM. Ms. Ernsting and Dr. Chung left the meeting at 6:01 PM. 	Ms. Edmundson motioned to go into Executive Session at 6:01 PM for the purpose of discussing employee matters. Ms. Hapke seconded. Motion carried.
Regular Session	Mr. Haury motioned to return to Regular Session at 6:12 PM. Ms. Gentry-Schlimme seconded. Motion carried.
Committee Reports	See New Business for actions with regard to committee reports.
Finance Committee • Mr. Clendenin shared information from the Finance Committee Meeting.	
 Quality Council The Quality Council Meeting information was reviewed. 	
 Credentialing Committee The Medical Staff credentialing applications were reviewed. 	

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Joint Conference • Ms. Emge shared information from the Joint Conference Committee Meeting.	
Unfinished Business – None	
New Business	
Executive Session Minutes for Approval/Deferment/Release March 17, 2015 March 19, 2019 March 16, 2021 March 15, 2022 August 16, 2022	Ms. Gentry-Schlimme motioned to approve the August 16, 2022 Executive Session minutes. Ms. Hapke seconded. Motion carried. Ms. Kerens motioned to defer the following Executive Session minutes: • March 17, 2015 • March 19, 2019 • March 16, 2021 • March 15, 2022 Ms. Hapke seconded. Motion carried.
Approval of Medical Staff Credentialing • Appointments: 1. Jennifer Schroeder, CRNA – Anesthesia 2. Jonathan Vonk, MD – Radiology	Ms. Kerens motioned to approve the appointment applications and the re-appointment applications as listed. Ms. Gentry-Schlimme seconded. Motion carried.
 Re-Appointments: Lori Beth Helmers, APRN – Cardiology Timothy Mikesell, MD – Radiology Linda Passini, CRNA – Anesthesia Jeffry Peterson, CRNA – Anesthesia Lincoln Shenje, MD – Cardiology Christine Walthes, APRN – Cardiology Abby Woods, APRN – Hospitalist Withdrawal of Privileges: Mark Goergen, MD – Radiology – Effective 01/04/2022 Ronald Grady, MD – Pediatric Cardiology – Effective 09/15/2022 	

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Approval of Expenditures	
Provider Enrollment with Payors	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the 2-year contract with ICAHN for Provider Enrollment with Payors at a cost of \$1,500.00 per month retainer, as well as additional fees for new providers and new payor contracts. Ms. Kerens seconded.
• Vital Sign Monitors for Surgery (3)	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the purchase of 3 vital sign monitors for the surgery department at a cost of \$34,405.30. Ms. Kerens seconded.
Training Simulation Manikin	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the purchase of a training simulation manikin at a cost of \$11,753.59, utilizing \$3,897.16 in Trauma Funding. Ms. Kerens seconded.
Security Camera Upgrade	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the security camera upgrade at a cost of \$49,250.00. Ms. Kerens seconded.
• The Center – Replacement of Track & Half of Rubber Flooring	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the replacement of the track and half of the rubber flooring at The Center at a cost of \$23,267.00. Ms. Kerens seconded.
• New Dietary Cook Line – Cooktop, Fryer, Table	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the US Foods bid for the purchase of a new dietary cook line, including cooktop, fryer, and table at a cost of \$25,689.55. Ms. Kerens seconded.
Coulterville Medical Clinic Renovation – Flooring	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the RFC bid for flooring for the Coulterville Medical Clinic renovation at a cost of \$50,711.00. Ms. Kerens seconded.
Bradbury Clinic Renovation – Flooring	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the RFC bid for flooring for the Bradbury Clinic renovation at a cost of \$33,987.00. Ms. Kerens seconded.
• Interim Placement of Controller	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the 13-week agreement with Mission Search Contract Services, Inc. for the placement of an interim controller at a cost of \$7,125.00 per month, plus housing at a cost of \$1,550.00 per month. Ms. Kerens seconded.

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Interim Placement of Revenue Cycle Manager	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the 12-week agreement with
	TruBridge, LLC for the placement of an interim revenue cycle manager at a cost of \$55,446.00, plus gas. Ms. Kerens seconded.
Point Core Group Purchasing Collaboration	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the 5-year agreement with Point Core for group purchasing collaboration, which in. Ms. Kerens seconded.
Grant Writer	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the Innovative Funding Partners agreement for the service of grant writer at a cost of \$20,250.00. Ms. Kerens seconded.
Online Learning Management System	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the 2-year contract with Cornerstone for an online learning management system at a cost of \$19,987.00 for year one and \$20,561.11 for year two. Ms. Kerens seconded.
Pyxis Upgrade – Med/Surg & Med Refrigerator (3)	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the Pyxis upgrade, including Med/Surg and three medication refrigerators at a cost of \$3,849.00/month. Ms. Kerens seconded.
Patient Satisfaction Surveys	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the 2-year contract with Patient Satisfaction Surveys at a cost of \$26,846.00 for year one and \$25,676.00 for year two. Ms. Kerens seconded.
	Roll Call was applied for the expenditures as motioned for approval above: • John Clendenin: Yay • Tyra Edmundson: Yay • Jesica Gentry-Schlimme: Yay • Kay Hapke: Yay • Chris Haury: Yay
	 Claudia Kerens: Yay All present members of the Board of Directors were in consensus to approve the expenditures as motioned for approval above. Motions carried.
Approval of Contracts 1. Red Bud Regional Hospital Amendment	Ms. Gentry-Schlimme motioned to approve the Red Bud Regional Hospital Amendment and Pulmonary Consultants, Inc. Agreement as
2. Pulmonary Consultants, Inc. Agreement	presented. Ms. Edmundson seconded. Motion carried.

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Approval of QAPI Corrective Action Plans	Ms. Hapke motioned to approve the QAPI Corrective Action Plans. Mr. Haury seconded. Motion carried.
Approval of Tax Levy Ordinance (No. 193)	Ms. Kerens motioned to approve the Tax Levy Ordinance (No. 193). Mr. Haury seconded. Roll Call was applied for approval: • John Clendenin: Yay • Tyra Edmundson: Yay • Jesica Gentry-Schlimme: Yay • Kay Hapke: Yay • Chris Haury: Yay • Claudia Kerens: Yay All present members of the Board of Directors were in consensus to approve Tax Levy Ordinance (No. 193). Motion carried.
Approval of Medical Staff Rules & Regulations	Ms. Kerens motioned to approve the Medical Staff Rules & Regulations. Ms. Hapke seconded. Motion carried.
Approval of Therapeutics & Diet Manual	Mr. Haury motioned to approve the Therapeutics & Diet Manual as presented. Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried.
Adjournment	Ms. Kerens motioned to adjourn at 6:24 PM. Ms. Edmundson seconded. Motion carried.
John Clendenin, Vice Chairman of the Board	Claudia Kerens, Interim Secretary of the Board