

**SPARTA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held on October 18, 2022 at Broadway Plaza in Room A of the Auxiliary Building.

Members Present Included: John Clendenin, Dennis Ernsting, Jesica Gentry-Schlimme, Kay Hapke, Chris Haury, Michael Howell, Claudia Kerens, and Kevin Wilson

Members Absent: Tyra Edmundson

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Mr. Ernsting.

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Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Vaughn was introduced as the new Controller.	
Education <ul style="list-style-type: none">COVID-19 Vaccine Confidence Series Videos by Legato through the National Rural Health Association (NRHA)Sparta Community Hospital Increases Accessibility of Care to Advance Health Equity Video by the National Rural Health Resource Center through the Delta Regional Community Health Systems Development (DRCHSD) ProgramICHAN Video – Board Concerns	
Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">Approval of the September 20, 2022 minutes.	Ms. Gentry-Schlimme motioned to approve the September 20, 2022 minutes. Mr. Clendenin seconded. Motion carried.
Financials <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Howell shared the treasurer’s report.Ms. Ernsting shared the financial report for September 2022.	Ms. Kerens motioned to approve the treasurer’s report subject to audit. Mr. Wilson seconded. Motion carried.
Physician’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Chung shared the clinics are doing well.COVID-19 is still an ongoing issue in terms of seeing patients. Paxlovid (current COVID-19 treatment) continues to be available when needed. The new bi-valent COVID-19 vaccines have been available for about a month, but the availability of the brand of vaccine varies based on location. Both Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines are approved and available for individuals aged 5 and older. Locations of vaccines being distributed can be found online at vaccines.gov. The fatality of COVID has decreased since earlier this year and symptoms tend to be less severe. Individuals who are immunocompromised continue to be the most affected by COVID-19, with more severe symptoms and likely hospitalization. A COVID-19 Long Hauler Program has been developed	

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<p>and is coordinated by Larry Bernardoni and is currently underway at The Center. Dr. Chung will be on the radio on <i>People Speak</i> in a few days to discuss COVID-19 vaccines and why they are important.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flu vaccines have been available for patients in the clinics since the end of September. • There was a concern about a potential Monkey Pox case in the area, but it ended up being Chicken Pox. Patients who have Monkey Pox-like symptoms are informed to wait in their car and staff will swab patients in their vehicles for multiple viruses, including Orthopox virus (Monkey Pox), Herpes Simplex virus, and Chicken Pox virus. Generally, Monkey Pox is not airborne, but transmitted via contact. However, Chicken Pox is an airborne virus. • Dr. Chung will have a 3rd year medical student from Waterloo, IL with him for about 6 weeks. He is coming from the RMED Program at the University of Illinois' School of Medicine in Rockford. The student is excited to return to a rural area near his home as opposed to working in large cities. • The virtual scribe process is working well for providers and continues to improve provider productivity. • Dr. Chung has covered the hospitalist service a few times over the last month and there has been a steady census of patients. Patients continue to be happy with their care at the hospital. Issues continue with transferring patients to tertiary facilities. 	
<p>CEO Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Emge shared the CEO report. 	
<p>Executive Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Ernsting, Mr. Vaughn, and Dr. Chung left the meeting at 5:51 PM. 	<p>Ms. Kerens motioned to go into Executive Session at 5:51 PM for the purpose of discussing employee matters. Mr. Wilson seconded. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Regular Session</p>	<p>Ms. Kerens motioned to return to Regular Session at 6:02 PM. Mr. Haury seconded. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Committee Reports</p> <p><u>Quality Council</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Quality Council Meeting information was reviewed. <p><u>Credentialing Committee</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Medical Staff credentialing applications were reviewed. 	<p>See New Business for actions with regard to committee reports.</p>

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Unfinished Business – None	
<p>New Business</p> <p><u>Executive Session Minutes for Approval/Deferment/Release</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 21, 2015 • April 21, 2020 • October 20, 2020 • April 19, 2022 • September 20, 2022 <p><u>Approval of Medical Staff Credentialing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointments: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Frank Dicker, MD – Emergency Medicine 2. Amanda Batten, DO – Radiology • Re-Appointments: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Andrew Chu, MD – Pathology 2. Justin Craft, CRNA – Anesthesia 3. Rosewell Mackey, MD – Radiology 4. Meher Mallick, MD – Nephrology 5. Richard Nicol, MD – Emergency Medicine 6. Frederick Ochieng', MD – Cardiology 7. Michelle Voudrie, APRN – Oncology • Withdrawal of Privileges: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Megan Daghfal, MD – Radiology – Effective 11/16/2022 2. Kevin Fahey, MD – Radiology – Effective 11/16/2022 3. P. Daniel McConnell, MD – Emergency Medicine – Effective 09/13/2022 4. Ryan Wood, MD – Emergency Medicine – Effective 09/29/2022 <p><u>Approval of Expenditures</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannon Service Agreement (CT) 	<p>Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the September 20, 2022 Executive Session minutes. Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Ms. Kerens motioned to defer the following Executive Session minutes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 21, 2015 • April 21, 2020 • October 20, 2020 <p>Mr. Wilson seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Ms. Kerens motioned to release the April 19, 2022 Executive Session minutes. Mr. Wilson seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the appointment applications and the re-appointment applications as listed. Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Mr. Howell motioned to approve the Cannon Service Agreement for CT at a cost of \$7,278.67 per month. Ms. Hapke seconded.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computer Refresh (63 Devices) <p><u>Approval of QAPI Corrective Action Plans</u></p>	<p>Ms. Gentry-Schlimme motioned to approve the computer refresh of 63 devices at a cost of \$79,959.61. Ms. Hapke seconded.</p> <p>Roll Call was applied for the expenditures as motioned for approval above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Clendenin: Yay Dennis Ernsting: Yay Jesica Gentry-Schlimme: Yay Kay Hapke: Yay Chris Haury: Yay Michael Howell: Yay Claudia Kerens: Yay Kevin Wilson: Yay <p>All present members of the Board of Directors were in consensus to approve the expenditures as motioned for approval above. Motions carried.</p> <p>Ms. Hapke motioned to approve the QAPI Corrective Action Plans. Ms. Gentry-Schlimme seconded. Motion carried.</p>
Adjournment	<p>Mr. Wilson motioned to adjourn at 6:05 PM. Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried.</p>

Dennis Ernsting, Chairman of the Board

Kevin Wilson, Secretary of the Board