

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

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held on November 18, 2025 at Broadway Plaza in Room A of the Auxiliary Building.

Members Present Included: John Clendenin, Tyra Edmundson, Dennis Ernsting, Jessica Gentry-Schlimme, Chris Haury, Michael Howell, and Claudia Kerens

Members Absent: Kay Hapke and Kevin Wilson

Non-Members Present: Dr. Shawn Beckemeyer, MD, Joann Emge, Lisa Ernsting, Neal Haertling, Paul Mueller, Dale Worthington, and Alisha Otten

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by Mr. Howell.

Item	Action
Introductions – None	
Public Comment – None	
Presentation Annual Plant/Facilities Report by Dale Worthington, Director of Support Services & Neal Haertling, Plant Operations Manager	
Education – None	
Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of the October 21, 2025 minutes. 	Mr. Clendenin motioned to approve the October 21, 2025 minutes. Ms. Gentry-Schlimme seconded. Motion carried.
Financials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ernsting shared the treasurer’s report. • Ms. Ernsting shared the financial report for April 2023. 	Ms. Kerens motioned to approve the treasurer’s report subject to audit. Mr. Clendenin seconded. Motion carried.
Physician’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Beckemeyer shared <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SCHD had five full-time doctors available for call, meaning each is on call one week out of five for calendar year 2026. ○ There has been a significant increase in measles cases for 2025 (over 1,700 this year vs. 247 last year), with 97% in unimmunized people; early MMR vaccination recommended in some states. ○ Ultra-processed food intake linked with higher early-onset colorectal cancer risk; Epstein-Barr virus possibly linked to lupus; reports of a multi-state infant botulism outbreak related to formula. ○ Mild COVID-19 cases observed locally, with symptoms similar to seasonal colds. ○ Reports of lingering coughs among patients, sometimes linked to allergies, sinus issues, or pertussis. 	

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CEO Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Emge shared the CEO report. 	
Executive Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Haertling and Mr. Worthington left the meeting at 6:31 PM. Ms. Ernsting left the meeting at 6:59 PM. Dr. Beckemeyer left the meeting at 6:59 PM. 	Ms. Kerens motioned to go into Executive Session at 6:59 PM for the purpose of discussing litigation, employee, and real estate/acquisition matters. Ms. Edmundson seconded. Motion carried.
Regular Session	Ms. Kerens motioned to return to Regular Session at 7:12 PM. Mr. Clendenin seconded. Motion carried.
Committee Reports <u>Finance Committee</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Ernsting shared information from the Finance Committee Meeting. <u>Quality Council</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Quality Council Meeting information was reviewed. <u>Credentialing Committee</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Medical Staff credentialing applications were reviewed. 	See New Business for actions with regard to committee reports.
Unfinished Business – None	
New Business <u>Executive Session Minutes for Approval/Deferment/Release</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> November 20, 2018 November 16, 2021 May 17, 2022 November 15, 2022 May 20, 2025 October 21, 2025 	Ms. Gentry-Schlimme motioned to approve the October 21, 2025 Executive Session minutes. Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried. Ms. Kerens motioned to defer the following Executive Session minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> November 20, 2018 May 20, 2025 Ms. Gentry-Schlimme seconded. Motion carried. Ms. Kerens motioned to release the following Executive Session minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> November 16, 2021 May 17, 2022 November 15, 2022 Ms. Gentry-Schlimme seconded. Motion carried.

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<p><u>Approval of QAPI Corrective Action Plans</u></p> <p><u>Approval of Safety Scorecard</u></p> <p><u>Approval of Medical Staff Credentialing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointments: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stephen Brown, MD – Emergency Medicine 2. Umar Daud, MD – Rheumatology 3. Prasad Kandula, MD – Cardiology 4. Summit Pandat, MD – Cardiology 5. Katherine Robbins, MD – Pathology <p><u>Approval of Expenditures</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trane – Phase II Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Installation of 4 Pipe System <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cost: \$1,023,005 (20% down: \$204,601) • Service Agreement – Lab Analyzer (micro) (<i>enclosed</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bector Dickinson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3 Year Total: \$35,311 <p><u>Approval of Contracts</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. David Zhu, MD – Orthopedics 2. Giuseppe Aliperti, MD – GI 3. CIRA – Radiologist Coverage 	<p>Ms. Kerens motioned to approve and accept the QAPI Corrective Action Plans. Mr. Clendenin seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Ms. Kerens motioned to approve the Safety Scorecard. Ms. Gentry Schlimme seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Ms. Gentry-Schlimme motioned to approve the appointment applications listed. Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Mr. Ernsting motioned to approve the expenditures as listed. Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Roll Call was applied for the expenditure(s) as motioned for approval above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Clendenin: Yay • Tyra Edmundson: Yay • Dennis Ernsting: Yay • Jessica Gentry-Schlimme: Yay • Chris Haury: Yay • Michael Howell: Yay • Claudia Kerens: Yay <p>All present members of the Board of Directors were in consensus to approve the expenditure(s) as motioned for approval above. Motion(s) carried.</p> <p>Ms. Kerens motioned to approve the Contracts as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The amendment to Dr. David Zhu’s Agreement, increasing his hourly rate and adjusting his wRVUs compensation.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Real Estate / Acquisition motion per the approved Resolutions of the Board of Directors of Sparta Community Hospital District regarding Real Estate / Acquisition Matters that was approved at the September 19, 2025 Board of Directors meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The amendment to Dr. Aliperti’s Agreement, increasing his hourly rate and SCHD will maintain professional liability coverage for Dr. Aliperti The Service Agreement with CIRA has been adjusted so that a radiologist will be onsite 1 day/week with a fee per day when providers are onsite and a Medical Director stipend. <p>Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Roll Call was applied for the contact(s)/agreement(s) as motioned for approval above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Clendenin: Yay Tyra Edmundson: Yay Dennis Ernsting: Yay Jesica Gentry-Schlimme: Yay Chris Haury: Yay Michael Howell: Yay Claudia Kerens: Yay <p>All present members of the Board of Directors were in consensus to approve the contract(s)/agreement(s) as motioned for approval above. Motion(s) carried.</p> <p>Mr. Ernsting motioned to approve Joann Emge, CEO to complete signage of the Real Estate / Acquisition documentation of Moody Health Mart on behalf of SCHD based upon the approved Resolutions of the Board of Directors of Sparta Community Hospital District regarding Real Estate / Acquisition Matters. Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried.</p> <p>Roll Call was applied for the Real Estate / Acquisition per the approved Resolutions of the Board of Directors of Sparta Community Hospital District regarding Real Estate / Acquisition Matters as motioned for approval above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Clendenin: Yay Tyra Edmundson: Yay Dennis Ernsting: Yay Jesica Gentry-Schlimme: Yay Chris Haury: Yay Michael Howell: Yay Claudia Kerens: Yay

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	All present members of the Board of Directors were in consensus to approve the Real Estate / Acquisition per the approved Resolutions of the Board of Directors of Sparta Community Hospital District regarding Real Estate / Acquisition Matters as motioned for approval above. Motion(s) carried.
Adjournment	Mr. Ernsting motioned to adjourn at 7:23 PM. Ms. Kerens seconded. Motion carried.

Michael Howell, Chairman of the Board

John Clendenin, Secretary of the Board