

TRMC Board of Managers

Minutes

July 31, 2023

The Titus County Hospital District Board of Managers met for a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, July 31, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the Williams Conference Room on the 3rd Floor of Titus Regional Medical Center in Mt. Pleasant, TX.

ATTENDEES: Don Lowry, Tony Rundles, Rob Holliday, Trent Abbott, Royce Carr, Terry Scoggin (CEO), Dr. James Bove (COS) and Dr. Colton Bradshaw (VP Medical Affairs).

ADMINISTRATION: Kathy Griffis, Andy Fortenberry and Jeff Drummond

CALL TO ORDER: Don Lowry called the meeting to order at 5:29 p.m., welcomed everyone and certified a quorum.

VISITORS: Shandra VanReenan, Debra Abston, Dr. Jane Lee (remote) and Jodi Bishop (remote)

Employee Recognition

Recognition went out to Dr. Jane Lee, Jodi Bishop and everyone involved for the successful Trauma Survey which occurred on July 31st. Zero deficiencies noted in exit interview.

Auxiliary Quarterly Report Q2 2023

The Quarterly Auxiliary Report was presented by Debra Abston and Shandra VanReenan. The Auxiliary had a Scholarship Fund expense of \$4500 as well as a 2023 Gala expense of \$3800. Membership numbers are down, and a new marketing tool is being developed to try to build the volunteer pool back up.

Don Lowry asked for a motion to approve the Quarterly Auxiliary Report Q2 2023

- ❖ **Motion:** A motion was made by Tony Rundles and seconded by Trent Abbott to approve the Quarterly Auxiliary Report Q2 2023. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Recommendations:

1. Approval of minutes of the TCHD Regular Board Meeting – 5.30.23
2. Approval of Finance Committee Recommendation of minutes of the TCHD Board Finance Committee Meeting – 5.25.23
3. Approval of Compliance Committee Update
4. Approval of Finance Committee Recommendation of Resolution 2023.05 Retirement Plan – Texas Oncology Employees
5. Approval of Board of Managers Resolution 2023.06 Level IV Trauma Designation
6. Approval of Finance Committee Recommendation to Approve May 2023 Financial Reports – presented on 6.29.23
7. Approval of Capital Purchase of Orthopedic Power Equipment (Emergency Purchase) – presented on 6.29.23
8. Approval of Patient Care Promise – presented on 6.29.23

9. Approval of Recommendation of MEC for Medical Staff Privileges – presented on 6.29.23
10. Approval of Quality Assurance/Performance Improvement Update & Patient Experience – presented on 6.29.23
11. Approval of Meeting Minutes with Attorney present – 6.29.23
12. Approval of Finance Committee Recommendation of Minutes of the TCHD Board Finance Committee Meeting – 6.22.23
13. Approval of Building Committee Minutes – 6.28.23

Reports

- I. Executive Reports
- II. Current Month Hospital Stats

Don Lowry asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda listed items above.

- ❖ **Motion:** A motion was made by Rob Holliday and seconded by Royce Carr to approve the listed Consent Agenda items. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

Executive team discussed several current team initiatives:

- ODMAP is an overdose detection mapping program. This application will provide real time data on fatal and non-fatal overdoses. The application shows spike alerts in the Titus and surrounding counties which will allow EMS to communicate, educate, track, and monitor.
- TRMC has been awarded a \$75K grant by Commissioner Sid Miller, Texas Department of Agriculture. Funds will be used for two behavioral health transport vehicles.
- Our current ambulance count is 3 new and 1 remount within the last 24 months. The new 2023 ambulance is in the process of getting wrapped. Approval for another ambulance will need to be done soon as it takes a minimum of 18 months to gain custody.

RECOMMENDATIONS/REPORTS:

Medical Staff Update

Dr. Bove gave kudos to Sharon Alexander for her role with Verity Stream, the electronic accreditation and credentialing system. This new software allows the credentialing process to be done 15 minutes prior to MEC meetings saving time. The rebirthing of the MEC Newsletter is with marketing and in the process of being formatted to a one-page document. Morbidity and Mortality Conference is starting up again with the first meeting scheduled for August 10, 2023. CME Credit allowances are being looked at for consideration in the future.

Medical Executive Committee (MEC) Recommendation for Medical Staff Appointments and Reappointments:

Dr. James Bove presented the July 2023 Medical Staff Appointments and Reappointments to the Board. There was no further discussion. Recommendation unanimously approved by the Board of Managers.

TRMC Quality Assurance/Performance Improvement Update:

Leapfrog scores were reviewed, and we came in at a "C" for Spring 2023.

Patient Experience

ED and Hospital real time data was shared with the Board. Currently we are above the NRC average and at the 50% percentile ranking. HCAHPS Overall rating year to date Net Promoter Scores register at 72.1%. Kathy Griffis and Dr. Sekulic are working together on a formal plan to improve HCAHPS scores.

Don Lowry asked for a motion to approve the TRMC Quality Assurance/Performance Improvement Update

- ❖ **Motion:** A motion was made by Tony Rundles and seconded by Trent Abbott to approve the TRMC Quality Assurance/Performance Improvement update. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Finance Committee Recommendation of Resolution 2023.07 to Adopt Texas Property Tax Code for 2023

The Board received a copy of Resolution 2023.07 to Adopt Texas Property Tax Code for 2023. The exemptions were reviewed with no changes to the hospital district and approval to be consistent with prior years.

Don Lowry asked for a vote to approve the recommendation of the Board Finance Committee of Resolution 2023.07 to Adopt Texas Property Tax Code for 2023. The vote carried unanimously.

FINANCE REPORT:

Financial Report as of June 2023:

- 📊 The June 2023 Financials were presented by Andy Fortenberry.
- 📊 Gross revenue charges of \$30.2M exceeded budget by \$864K and exceeded prior year by \$4.7M. Net Operating Revenue of \$9.2M was greater than budget by \$242K and \$1.1M more than prior year. Total Operating Expenses of \$10.0M exceeded budget \$786K and increased \$805K from prior year. Agency Salaries, Employee Benefits, Professional Fees, Purchased Services, and prescription drug costs were primary drivers of expenses exceeding budget.
- 📊 Bar graphs were presented showing Clinical Line Net Patient Revenue and Operating Expenses for the month of June 2023 as well as Fiscal YTD
- 📊 YTD Gross Revenue charges of \$260M exceeded budget by \$7.0M and prior year by \$21.5M. Net Operating Revenue came in at \$81.3M exceeding budget by \$3.7M and improved \$5.1M from prior year. Total Operating Expenses of \$87M exceeded budget \$3.9M and increased \$5.8M from prior year
- 📊 Revenue – Volume Analysis data was presented. Outpatient and Inpatient volumes broken down by departments by current month, 3-month trend and FYTD were reviewed. Physician Practices were broken down by clinic providing same data timetable.
- 📊 EMS Claim filing issues have been worked out. Recognition of unfiled claims was discovered by Savista, pulled, posted, and sent out to carriers.
- 📊 TCAD 2023 certified market and taxable values were presented. Percentage changes were discussed.

Don Lowry asked for a vote to approve the recommendation of the Board Finance Committee for the June 2023 Financials. The vote carried unanimously.

TRMC Health Equity Update

Terry Scoggin provided an update on the Titus County Wellness Coalition meeting held on July 26, 2023. Slides were reviewed with the Board regarding health outcomes. Data consisted of 254 counties in the East Texas area. Slides will be distributed to the Board.

TCHD Board Education

TCHD Board Education in the Board Meeting Packet this month included:

- 📄 Distribution of Texas Healthcare Trustees & Texas State Office of Rural Health Trustee Guidebook

TRMC Ambulatory Building Expansion

The Building Committee met to discuss the preliminary plans of building a 78K square foot ambulatory center on the north side of the parking lot of TRMC. The proposed new building will consist of two floors housing various out-patient services.

CEO Update

Cancer Center

The center transitioned to TRMC on June 6th with the first patient seen in the Infusion Center on July 10th. Physicians onboarding:

- 📄 Dr. Vo has a planned start date of November 11, 2023
- 📄 Dr. Godinez, Radiation Oncologist, will join us July 31st and will provide coverage until Dr. Vo arrives
- 📄 A Medical Oncologist is anticipated to start January 1, 2024
- 📄 Dr. Mavuram, Hematologist and Medical Oncologist is scheduled to start August 7th and will cover until the anticipated Medical Oncologist arrives.

Pediatrics

Dr. Monisola Adesanya started with the Pediatric Group today and will be brought in next month to meet the Board.

Discussion of Future Agenda items

Don Lowry asked if there were any future items to be posted on the August Board Agenda. None noted.

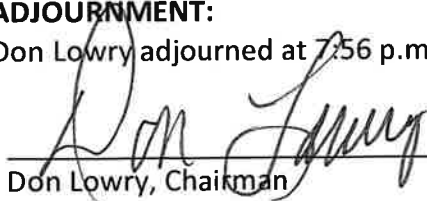
EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board convened to Executive Session at 7:01 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION: Regular session reconvened at 7:55 p.m. with a unanimous vote.

Motion made by Trent Abbott and seconded by Tony Rundles authorizing TRMC CEO to negotiate and sell/buy the two properties.

ADJOURNMENT:

Don Lowry adjourned at 7:56 p.m. with a unanimous vote.



Don Lowry, Chairman



Tony Rundles, Secretary