

Mission Statement

Enriching lives through better health

True North Statement

To be the healthcare partner of choice for our community.

Values

Compassion – Showing empathy and respect

Integrity – Demonstrating moral and ethical principles

Quality – Achieving the best possible outcome

Safety – Committing to Safe Practices

Teamwork – Caring for the success of the team

This institution is an equal opportunity provider

**HARNEY COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday February 7, 2024**

JOIN VIA ZOOM: E-Mail invitation, with instructions & links

HCHD Board Members Present: Brad Erbe, Sharon Davis, Shana Withee, Kara Bowen

HCHD Board Members Present via Zoom: Kathy Cook, Debbie Bentz

HCHD Staff Present: Catherine White, Jim Basch, Erik Olson, Dr. Heidi Vanyo, Jen Hoke, Kyle Snider, Elaine Wulff, Dr. Linda Selby

HCHD Staff Present via Zoom: Dr. Lincoln Mosier

Visitors Present: Amy Paul

Visitors Present via Zoom: Jolene Cawfield

Brad Erbe called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

ACTION ITEM: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2024.

Sharon Davis moved to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2024, as presented.

Shana Withee seconded and motion passed six to zero.

Public Comment:

No comments

Presentation/Board Development Article:

Budget Priorities Discussion

Review/Discussion:

Medical Staff Report:

- Dr. Vanyo, as of February 1, 2024 Dr. Lincoln Mosier is now Chief of Staff.
- Dr. Mosier stated it is the recommendation of Medical Staff that the Board approve the re-appointment of Steven Kjobech as listed on the updated agenda.

ACTION ITEM: Medical Staff Re-Appointments:

Sharon Davis moved to approve the re-appointment, with recommendations from the Medical Staff for Steven Kjobech, MD, CORA Radiology. Kara Bowen seconded and motion passed six to zero.

Administrative Report:

- Orthopedic Program, looks to be consistent for the next few months. The Mako robot will be used by us for the first time next week.

- One of our surgery department employees, Laura Steen, lost her daughter recently. Admin have been trying to decide what they can do to honor her memory. The surgery department met with Admin today as they have been discussing this as well. They would like to dedicate the Infusion Department in memory of Laura's daughter, and Admin is really in support of this, but would like the Board's support to proceed as well. The Board gave their support to proceed with a dedication in memory of her.

Governance Committee Report:

No additions to the written report.

Finance Committee Report:

No additions to the written report.

ACTION ITEM: EOCCO Clinic Incentives Recommendation:

Sharon Davis moved to approve transferring \$169,960.25 to the Hospital Foundation, earmarked for the Capital Campaign, for the Project of the PT remodel / expansion. Shana Withee seconded, and motion passed six to zero.

ACTION ITEM: Approve 2024 Budget Calendar:

Sharon Davis moved to approve the 2024 Budget Calendar with the adopt date amended from 2/6/2024 to 2/7/2024. Kara Bowen seconded, and motion passed six to zero.

Safety & Quality Committee Report:

- Meeting changed from Thursday, February 15, 2024 to Thursday, February 22, 2024.

Board Vacancy Candidate(s):

- Jolene Cawfield stated she is a retired Family Nurse Practitioner. She started working at Harney District Hospital as an RN in 1980, then in 1997 she received her Master's in FNP and started practicing primary care for another four years in Harney County prior to working at Harney District Hospital Family Care Clinic for sixteen years. In 2017 she became the director of the Harney County Health Department for two or three years. For the last three years, she winters in Arizona. She has substitute taught some classes at Crane and Suntex schools. She retains a high interest in health and welfare for the citizens of Harney County, and would like to serve on the Harney County Health District Board of Directors.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 6:33 pm. to review letters of interest from Jolene Cawfield and Charity Wensenk for vacant board position, per ORS 192.660(2)(a), ORS 192.660(7)(d)(A)-(C) and ORS 192.660(7)(d)(D):

The Board reconvened from Executive Session at 7:03 pm.

ACTION ITEM: Board vote for vacant Board position #2 candidate:

Sharon Davis moved to appoint Jolene Cawfield to fill the vacant Board Position #2, Debbie Bentz seconded, and motion passed six to zero.

ACTION ITEM: Oath of Office, Position #2, to Jolene Cawfield.

Brad Erbe read the statement to swear in Jolene Cawfield as a newly appointed Board member to position #2. Jolene repeated the statement and agreed to follow the directives that were included.

- Brad Erbe noted that this appointment is to finish the term. If you, Jolene, or Charity would like to run for the position, you will need to file by March 15th to be on the May 2024 ballot.

Old Business:

Spring Retreat, save the date April 24th.

- Holding for now.

Alert Sense sign up form for Disaster Preparedness

- Any Board member who would like to be included in text alerts from the hospital, please fill the form out and return to Perrilyn Wells.

New Business:

Board meeting Calendar for 2024:

Sharon Davis, Kathy Cook, Catherine White and Dr. Linda Selby will all be attending the 2024 AHA Rural Healthcare Leadership Conference in Orland, FL, this coming week. The Board would like some or all to give a recap from that at the Board meeting in March.

The Board adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kara Bowen, Board Secretary

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday March 6, 2024 @ 5:30 pm

Not Approved