

WESTON COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
November 17, 2016

Present: Georgenna Materi, Secretary of the Board via phone; Barry Peterson, Treasurer; Connie James, Trustee; and Travis Cochran, Trustee.

Also Present: Maureen Cadwell, CEO; Lynn Moller, CFO; Jim Peck, Attorney; JoAnn Farnsworth, Quality Director; Diane Palu-McArthur, Long Term Care Director; Denice Piscioti, Executive Assistant

Visitors: Alexis Barker, News Letter Journal Reporter

Call to Order: Barry Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Quorum: Connie James declared a quorum was present to conduct the business of Weston County Health Services.

Visitors Comments: None

Additions/Changes to the Agenda: None

TRAVIS COCHRAN MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE WESTON COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES CONSENT AGENDA CONNIE JAMES SECONDED AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Strategic Initiatives

- **Financial** – Patient days for the October 2016 were 268, right in the middle of the previous two years totals. There was a negative net income for the month but there is still a positive net income for the year. Productivity was down in September and October but it is going up. Collections for the sales tax have been up for the last couple of months. Another payment was made for WCHS in November. Net worth of the hospital has grown in the last five years by 31% which is an average of 6% per year. The Net Patient Revenue – patient revenue after contractual adjustments – grew by 34% in the same five year period.

TRAVIS COCHRAN MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE PAYING THE CONSTRUCTION APPLICATION TO SCULL OF \$537,991.51 CONNIE JAMES SECONDED AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

- **Bed Hold Charge** – October 1, 2016 Wyoming Department of Health reduced the reserve hold days Medicaid previously paid for nursing home residents to keep their bed when they are gone for an extended period of time. WCHS have been discussing holding the bed for three days without charging because that is the average and it will give time to possibly know how long the resident could be gone. Other nursing homes have been starting charging with day one. The state previously paid 14 days for hospital leave however now it is at zero. The estimate for October's bed hold days that were not paid for was about a dozen JoAnn Farnsworth noted, which was a high. Self-pay residents continue to pay when the resident if they are admitted to the hospital. A decision was put on hold until next month.

CONNIE JAMES MADE THE MONTION TO APPROVE EMPLOYEE HOLIDAY BONUS FOR FULL AND PART TIME STAFF FOR \$50 EACH IN CHAMBER BUCKS TOTALLING \$6,850.00 TRAVIS COCHRAN SECONDED AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Quality

**TRAVIS COCHRAN MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MEDICAL CREDENTIALLING FOR KENDAL JONES MD
GEORGENNA MATERİ SECONDED AND THE MOTION PASSED.**

- **Medical Staff Report** – A presentation was held webinar with Dr. Wheeler about the stroke center at the Wyoming Medical Center. Diane Palu-McArthur talked about a form used for staff recommendations for residents.

Quality Report – Patient safety survey results are back and follow-up will be done. The Manor Survey will be out soon and results should be in the first of 2017.

Building Project- Two reports have been received from the Department of Health about the additions that are nearing completion. Three items on the hospital wing are delaying the move – the closet in the storage room, flooring must be complete in the stairway, and a few other items. On the Manor addition there are a few things also so we are a few weeks out for moving in. A list of change items was provided by CTA which was separated by who requested the change and if it has been completed or not. In the Manor dining room there are a couple of temporary walls which limits the space we are hoping they will move them before Thanksgiving.

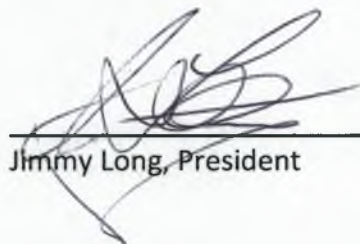
Billings EMR- A meeting was held November 16th with Billings Clinic to update a few items but for the most part it is the same. There are a couple of items WCHS is putting on hold due to the construction.

Retail Pharmacy- Right now the forecast bottom-line is to make money and is ahead of where it was anticipated to be at this time.

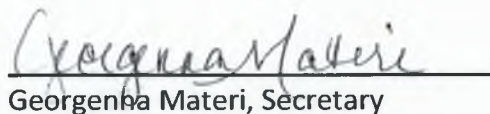
Election Information – Compared to the 2012 election votes for the Mill Levy percent wise was lost by 2.4% but we gained in 1.87% on the outside and 3.91% on the inside of Upton. A thank you was expressed to the communities for voting again for the additional 3 Mil Levy. There is a lot of speculation about the Affordable Health Care Act since the National election.

**CONNIE JAMES MADE THE MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PATIENT MATTER CONFIDENTIAL
BY LAW AT 6:55 PM TRAVIS COCHRAN SECONDED AND THE MOTION PASSED.**

**AT 7:10 PM GEORGENNA MATERİ MADE THE MOTION TO AJOURN THE MEETING TRAVIS COCHRAN
SECONDED AND MOTION PASSED.**



Jimmy Long, President



GeorGENNA Materİ, Secretary