

**WESTON COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
July 20, 2023**

Present Dorothy Briggs, President; Jamie Farnsworth, Secretary; LeAnn Kenagy, Treasurer; Connie James, Trustee; Nick Johnson, Trustee; Karen Drost, Trustee

Also Present: Judd Dawson, Chief Executive Officer; Piper Allard, Chief Operation Officer; Allison Gee, Lubnau Law Office (via Zoom); Nick Dillinger, Lubnau Law Office (via Zoom); Kim Scharf, Quality Director; Carmen Allison, Director of Home Health; Angie Phillips, Director of Patient Care; Melissa Thomas, Director of Long Term Care; Denice Piscioti, Executive Assistant

Visitors: Alexis Barker, NLJ (via Zoom); Shenae Alberts; Don Taylor, Weston County Commissioner; Carol Koch; Kathleen Kirk; Henry Nessel on Chamber

Call to Order: Dorothy Briggs called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Quorum: Jamie Farnsworth declared a quorum to conduct the business of Weston County Hospital District.

Comments:

Additions/Changes to the Agenda:

LEANN KENAGY MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AND SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES JAMIE FARNSWORTH SECONDED AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Behavioral Health Transport – Discussion about Title 25 at commissioners meeting last month. Don Taylor has agreed to transport Title 25 patients with a one-year contract with WCHS. He increased his insurance. Brian Colvard has committed to send a Sheriff deputy with and an aid from Mondell will also go. He wants to be transparent. After a year, he will submit a bid. The commissioners have all supported him. \$150 per person, sheriff will be a separate bill. The bill would be submitted through WCHS but would be paid through Weston County. This will free up the ambulance to be available for what they are needed for.

Financial -

MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE SECONDED AND MOTION PASSED.

Finance Committee Report- We are still waiting for Medicare payback of about \$500,000. Sage Intacct full implementation in December. (listen) Looking for community options - patient focused programs. Care credit can even use on animals,... like a credit card. Takes the debit off of the hospital removing us from the financial piece so they can focus on their care.

Quality

1. Medical Staff Credentialing –

CONNIE JAMES MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE MEDICAL STAFF CREDENTIALING OF SAAD MIR, MD (?) LEANN KENAGY SECONDED AND MOTION PASSED.

- 1. Medical Staff Report – (listen 34)** Talked about back order. Budesinate is on shortage because of tornado at Pfizer plant. Eye infection evidence based medication is being looked at. 42 census Manor. 6 CAN class last week; 4 this week. Rapid City has 1 confirmed West Nile Virus.
- 2. Quality Report –.** (listen 36) Survey vendor. ED wait times up. Joy looking at ... Home Health has a wait list for the first time. New nurse. Long term care admitted one.
- 3. Quality Committee Report –.**Going really well. Things are down. (39)

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Strategic Plan Update –** preliminary discussion. On going process. Please feel free to give ideas to Judd. Excellent patient care should always be first. Safe and minimize errors. Develop correct service lines. CCH – there goal. Exceptional Survey results. Reviewed one today sends survey to patient while they are still in house so we can identify problems right away. Takes more than a phone call. Access to care make sure no one gets turned away. When people are having the worst day of their life that we help. Goal is for doctors to have the right phone numbers to get patients the right help. (Listen 51) Addition of Hospice surveys. Meeting with a new hospice – Lacey - service in Gillette soon. 360 reviews – all around you. You get to process before you tell people will fix things. SWOT – strengths weaknesses opportunities and threats - analysis suggested by Nick to be self-aware of issues. 108 – listen.

MADE A MOTION TO SECONDED

NEW BUSINESS

GOVERNANCE – Job descriptions for board officers listen 111. Mary Martin will have a Zoom meeting for the committee to get recommendations for descriptions. Nominations and elections for board member document – in board documents to be reviewed.

FOUNDATION BOARD – Is going to apply to be the Festival of Trees recipient. Getting more out for financial planning of what the Foundation does.

ETHICS – Didn't met

PRESIDENT COMMUNICATION- Would like to have a department or employee recognized every month. The staff can nominate employees. Employee of the month with a parking spot. Discuss with EMC.

Marketing – Meeting with website companies. Talking with Bob tomorrow. Sponsoring with the

MADE THE MOTION TO GO INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT PM FOR SECONDED AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT PM SECONDED AND MOTION PASSED.

Dorothy Briggs, President

Jamie Farnsworth, Secretary