

**SOMERVELL COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

September 25, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.
At Somervell County Citizen's Center

Meeting Minutes

- I. **Call to Order and Record of Attendance** – The meeting of the Somervell County Hospital District Board of Directors was called to order by Chip Harrison at 7:00 p.m. The agenda was posted as required for this meeting.
- II. **Invocation** by Dennis Moore, Grace Baptist Church, Glen Rose, TX.
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Michael Honea
- IV. **Seven (7) of the seven (7) Board of Directors were present**

Directors present

Chip Harrison
Ron Hankins
Brett Nabors
Eugene Brode
Dr. Karen Burroughs
Paul Harper
John Parker

Directors Absent

None

Others present

Ray Reynolds, GRMC CEO
Michael Honea, GRMC CFO

- IV. **Executive Session Closed** – Credentialing of Providers
- V. **Reconvene** – A motion was made by John Parker to accept the Medical Staff's recommendations for credentialing, re-credentialing and removal of discussed physicians.
Motion was 2nd by Eugene Brode
Motion carried 7-0

VI. The **minutes** of the following meetings were presented, discussed and approved with the recommended amendments:

- **June 17**
- **July 31**
- **August 4**
- **September 11** – 5:30 p.m. - Amend meeting time to 5:30 p.m.
- **September 11** – 7:00 p.m.
- **September 15**
- **September 18** – 7:00 p.m.
- **September 18** – 7:15 p.m. - Amend Motion to set tax rate at .1195 with Motion made by John Parker and Motion 2nd by Ron Hankins.

A motion was made by Karen Burroughs to accept the presented minutes with the needed amendments.

Motion 2nd by Brett Nabors

Motion carried 7-0

VII. **Indigent Care Policy** for FY 2015

Michael Honea reviewed the policy and answered any questions.

A motion was made by Ron Hankins to accept the policy as presented

Motion 2nd by Karen Burroughs

Motion carried 7-0

VIII. **Management Agreement between GRMC and GR Healthcare, Inc.**

Ray recommends having a special committee to review and discuss the agreement. There was some discussion on having a committee and suggested to have this on the next meeting agenda to discuss further and/or form a committee.

IX. **CFO Report** – Michael Honea

- Monthly and year to date financials were reviewed
- Update on the 1115 funding – Tool will be completed and submitted at the end of this month. By end of Dec. we should receive 2104 funds.
- Meaningful Use - Upcoming week we will attest for final Medicare payment. We should still receive some Medicaid funds.
- Inventory – Tuesday, auditors will be in-house

X. **CEO Report** – Ray Reynolds

- Personnel
O.R. – Hired RN circulator and bringing in a couple more – our goal is to be able to run two surgery rooms simultaneously.
Practice Manager – I have 3 interviews coming up within these next 2 weeks.
- Swingbed Program – The program is up and running. We currently have 2 patients.
- Homestead Exemption – Attachment provided in meeting packet. We did approve maximum exemption for disabled and/or over age 65.
- Clinic Construction – We have notified the contractor and are waiting on the agreement to get started.

XI. **Committee Reports**

- Executive Committee – Did not meet this month
- Building Committee – Did not meet this month
- Quality Committee – Did not meet this month
- Budget & Finance Committee – Did not meet this month
- Charity Committee – Michael gave report and provided attachment in board packet of Charity information and updates. Linda Anderson, GRMC Social Worker, assist patients to help them qualify for other programs that help cover their healthcare bills and makes for less we have to write off to bad debt.

XII. Policy to review monthly check registers

Chip stated he feels this should be the responsibility of the Budget and Finance Committee. A motion was made by Paul Harper that this be turned over to the Budget & Finance Committee. Motion was 2nd by John Parker
Motion carried 4-3

XIII. Policy on Board Packets/Agendas

Paul Harper made the motion to post the meeting packet at same time agenda is posted. There was some discussion on this not giving Sharla enough time to get information together if they are all to be posted 72 hours in advance. Paul modified the motion to have board packet available to Board members 24 hours prior to meeting.
Motion 2nd by John Parker
Motion carried 7-0

XIV. TORCH Contract previously approved at Sept. 18, 2014 meeting

Ron Hankins expressed concern that the last meeting agenda stated to discuss recommendation of TORCH and did not include entering into a contract. The Board did not have adequate time to review the contract. He also shared that Ray and the Administration reviewed and took the time to respond to the 18 items that TORCH had listed as areas that need attention. Some of these items have already been implemented. Dr. Burroughs also expressed concern that there has not been adequate time to review the TORCH contract and discuss the report presented by TORCH. She stated we should take more time before spending this money.
Paul made the motion to enter into a management agreement with TORCH
The motion was 2nd by John Parker
Motion passed 4-3

XV. Official keeping of Board meeting Minutes

Ron Hankins expressed concern that the official minutes have not been being provided to the Hospital District office. Ray requested that all minutes be given to him and he will see that they are posted on the Hospital District website. They are then to be kept in District binder in Administration office.
Ron made a motion that from here on, including tonight's approved minutes, to have Board signatures showing the minutes are approved. This would include all Board member present at the meeting..
Paul Harper 2nd the motion.
Chip suggested an amendment to the motion be made to retro all minutes from when this Board of Directors took office on May 13. Ron amended his motion to include this.
Motion passed 7-0

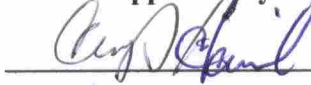
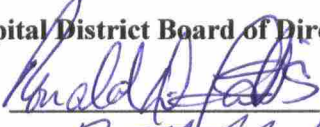
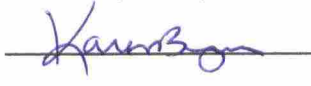



XVI. Public Comments

Several county citizens expressed concern of spending money on the TORCH contract and entering into a contract without proper review by the Board of Directors.

XVII. Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Ron Hankins made the motion to adjourn
Paul Harper 2nd the motion
Motion carried 7-0

Minutes approved by Somervell County Hospital District Board of Directors:

	Chip Harrison		Ron Hankins
	Karen Burroughs		Brett Nabors
	John Parker		Eugene Brode