

SOMERVELL COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
D/B/A GLEN ROSE MEDICAL CENTER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 AT 12 PM
HOSPITAL BOARD ROOM

MINUTES

- I. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm.
- II. The Meeting started with Four (4) members present (creating a quorum). Joe Cathey, Max Bly and Mary Collier were on the tour but in the building. Mary Collier and Max Bly arrived at 12:04pm making all Six (6) members present. Due to unforeseen circumstances Joe Cathey did not come to the meeting.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Public Comments – None
- V. Discuss and if necessary, take action on Amending/Approval of minutes from previous board meetings.
 - a. August 26, 2025 @ 12:00 Noon
 - b. September 16, 2025 @ 6:00pm
 - c. September 25, 2025 @ 6:00pm
 - d. September 25, 2025 @ 6:30pm

Dr. Vacek moved to approve the minutes from previous board meetings. Margaret Drake seconded (2nd) the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
- VI. Representative Helen Kerwin will discuss H.B. 2014 that was passed to make changes to board terms beginning with May 2026 election
The Board took a momentary recess at 12:02 pm to let Representative Kerwin and the other Board Members that were touring the Hospital time to get to the meeting. Mary Collier and Max Bly arrived at the meeting at 12:06pm. Representative Kerwin was finishing the Hospital Tour, therefore, the Board decided to move to the next item on the Board Agenda and return to Item #VI after the completion of Item #VIII.
*****After returning into Open Session in Item #VIII Representative Kerwin gave a presentation regarding H.B. 2014 and the changes to the board terms beginning with the May 2026 Election. She presented the Board with official certificates reflecting the passage of H.B. No. 2014. These will be framed and displayed in the Hospital Boardroom.**
- VII. Executive Closed Session – Personnel Matters
 - a. Pursuant to the provisions of Section §551.074, the Somervell County Hospital Board will retire into Executive Session to hear recommendations by Community Hospital Consulting, Inc. (CHC) and discuss the evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer and Executive Discretionary Goal Incentive Plan for 2025/2026..
The Board retired into Executive Closed Session at 12:08 pm.

VIII. Reconvene into Open Session

- a. Discuss and if necessary take action on items from Executive Session.

The Board reconvened back into Open Session at 12:52 pm. Margaret Drake moved to approve the FY2026 goals for the Chief Executive Officer. Mary Collier seconded (2nd) the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

***** The Board then returned to Item #VI for the Presentation by Representative Kerwin.**

IX. CFO Report

- a. August 2025 Financial Report

The CFO gave the August 2025 Financial report.

X. CEO Report –

- a. Roger E Marks (REM)

Inflatable Kickball will be October 17th.

- b. E3

Big Beautiful Bill has potential money for Rural hospitals (approximately \$50B). Present for future builds to improve the Hospital health services in Somervell County. There is a possibility for Grants for 4-5 years and other money for special projects. We will have conceptual drawings put together for the possibility of this potential money. That will include extra Clinic space and a new Surgery center with the possibility of an ICU. ICU would be helpful to keep some of the higher-level surgeries. Also, possibly doing MRI services for cardiac.

- c. Physician Recruitment

Dr. Bocanegra is getting going at Pecan. No real hiccups with Dr. Aboukhair. Dr. Conrad is now officially here full-time.

- d. Wellness Center

No updates at this time.

- e. Meditech

We have been live with the system for a week. It has gone well for the most part. It has been long hours/days. What hiccups we have had are minor. We are hopefully going to drop bills for the first time this week. It has been better than all the horror stories we had heard. During the Go-Live we are also doing Inventory. Hopefully, this will help to start fresh in the new system.

- f. High Five Award

We did not have our Department Director's Meeting this month due to Go-Live, therefore, there is no recipient of the High Five Award.

- g. Facility Update

Nothing at this time.

- h. Grants

Nothing at this time.

- i. EMS

Waiting on a meeting with Falck. They are moving into Texas from (Colorado/California). Possibly another number to call. Pecan has improved some. After the discussion regarding Radiology, a Board Member asked about our current EMS contract with Pecan. We have a 30-day termination clause in the contract. They also asked it with the new Fire/EMS Chief would Somervell County EMS be our first call. It was discussed that this would be preferable for us, but it is up to the new Chief. The county seemed open to the idea, but we will have to wait and see what happens.

- j. Radiology

We were forced into a \$250K stipend. TORCH is starting its own Radiology Services group because of the increase in fees for Radiology Services. They are taking on new customers,

and we will have them bid. They are supposed to be going live on January 1, 2026. Our current Radiology contract has a 90-day termination clause.

- XI. Discuss and if necessary, take action to change date for the November 2025 and December 2025 Regular Board Meetings.
After some discussion it was decided to keep the current scheduled meetings for the last Tuesday of November 2025 and December 2025.
- XII. Discuss and if necessary, take action to approve the Partners Healthcare Group (PHG) proposal for Hospital Accounting Services.
A motion was made by Mary Collier to approve the Partners Healthcare Group (PHG) proposal for Hospital Accounting Services. It was seconded (2nd) by Dr. Vacek. The motion carried 6-0.
- XIII. Discuss and if necessary, take action to approve the Resolution to affirm the nomination of candidates to serve on the Board of Directors of the Somervell Central Appraisal District for the years 2026 and 2027.
A motion was made by Margaret Drake to approve the Resolution to affirm Nimo Brittan as the nomination for Somervell County Hospital District to serve on the Somervell Central Appraisal District for the years 2026 and 2027. It was seconded (2nd) by Mary Collier. The motion carried 6-0.
- XIV. New Business
None.
- XV. Adjourn
A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Dr. Vacek and seconded (2nd) by Max Bly. The motion carried 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 1:31 pm.

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Ron Hankins, President

Not Present

Joe Cathey, Vice President



Max Bly



Margaret Drake



Dr. Steven Vacek



Mary Collier



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