

Marion County Hospital District

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees

June 29, 2015 @ 5:00 p.m.

Marion County Hospital District Office
1121 SW 1st Avenue, Ocala, FL

Larry Strack - Chairman

Call to Order

Larry Strack called the June 29, 2015 regular meeting of the Marion County Hospital District Board of Trustees to order with a quorum present at 5:55 p.m.

Board Members Present

Larry Strack, Rich Bianculli, Ram Vasudevan, Ken Marino, David Cope, Sam McConnell, Randy Klein

Board Members Absent

Hospital Attorneys Present

Jonathan S. Dean

Others Present:

Jon Kurtz, Debbie Cooper, Ed Dean, Dolly Dockham, Terri Judy, Mary Lu Fritz, Dick Grosso, MRMC Auxiliary, Fred Heirs

Approval of Previous Minutes (June 23, 2015 and May 18, 2015))

The Minutes of the May 18 and June 23, 2015 Meetings were approved as presented.

A **Motion** was made by Sam McConnell to accept the Minutes of the May 18, 2015 Board meeting and the June 23, 2015 Committee meetings as presented. The **Motion** was seconded by David Cope. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Grant Committee update

WellFlorida Community Health Survey

David Cope gave a brief update on the Community Health Assessment survey. Mr. Cope advised that WellFlorida met their goal with the surveys; however, the timeline may be delayed because of data collection issues and should be completed by the end of July.

IHI presented a webinar on the Triple Aim initiative at the WellFlorida Local Public Health System Assessment on June 24th. Mr. Cope attended that seminar and feels IHI is a great place to start. He is looking forward to getting more information and assistance from IHI.

Mr. Dean reviewed his Memorandum he sent to Jon Kurtz outlining his June activity on behalf of MCHD. He stated that the Grant Committee made a recommendation that the Board accept the Goal 3 Objectives of the Strategic Plan that he prepared in accordance with the timeline.

Mr. Dean also reminded the Board that there is a four-part IHI webinar that the District has registered for on the subject of “Beyond the CHNA, Hospitals and the Community Health Improvement Process.” There are four sessions, with the first webinar scheduled on July 30th from 12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m. at the District Office. WellFlorida has been invited to attend the webinars also. There is another webinar scheduled to begin in September on “Kick Starting the Triple Aim.” Mr. Dean stated that we have the mid-level management; it is the CEO’s that need to be reached now. The Triple Aim initiative will assist the Hospital District in improving healthcare locally.

Mr. McConnell endorsed Mr. Dean and his endeavors.

A **Motion** was made by David Cope to accept and adopt the Goal 3 Objectives of the Strategic Plan. The **Motion** was seconded by Ram Vasudevan. The **Motion** carried unanimously.

Financial Review

Cash Report

Debbie Cooper reviewed the revised Cash Report as of June 26, 2015. She noted that the reason for the Cash Report was a problem with the Clearwater balances as some items were double counted. After discussion, a motion was made to accept the cash report as presented.

A **Motion** was made by David Cope to approve the cash report as presented. The **Motion** was seconded by Ken Marino. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

April and May Financial Reports

Ms. Cooper reviewed the April and May financials. After discussion, a motion was made to accept the financial reports as presented.

A **Motion** was made by Sam McConnell to accept the Financial Reports as presented. The **Motion** was seconded by Rich Bianculli. The **Motion** carried unanimously.

Investment Committee and Investments Update

Mr. Bianculli reviewed the Investment Overview statement. He noted that investments were down \$1 million for June, but feels it will be recouped in July. From a domestic standpoint, there is nothing to worry about. The market is at the high end of the middle valuation for companies.

SunTrust will be doing the first Training Session which is scheduled on July 20th from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the District Office. The meeting will be noticed.

A **Motion** was made by Sam McConnell to accept the Investment Committee report as presented. The **Motion** was seconded by David Cope. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Finance Committee update

Sam McConnell gave an overview of the Finance Committee meeting held on May 12, 2015 and went briefly through the items in the Finance Committee Minutes. He advised that operational issues were discussed at the Finance Committee meeting and no action was taken or any recommendation made to be passed to the Board.

A **Motion** was made by Sam McConnell to accept the Finance Committee report as presented. The **Motion** was seconded by Ram Vasudevan. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Provider Committee Update

Ram Vasudevan reported that the first Provider Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday June 23, 2015. Some of those in attendance were Arthur Osberg (ORMC), Ketheeswaran Kathiripillai (MRMC), Sherri Lewis (HOF), David Willis (HOF) and Vicki Wynns (Langley). Dr. Vasudevan discussed the purpose of the Provider Committee and how it can help the District and the community develop the grant making process. The meeting was very insightful as several of the providers were not aware of what the other organizations provided. Dr. Vasudevan hopes to get more people to attend future meetings and see what suggestions they have to improve the outcome for patients. There was positive feedback received from those that attended.

One topic that was discussed was the 340(b) discount pharmacy program and the fact that prescriptions are a big issue. Overall, the meeting was very educational.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday July 21, 2015 at 5:00 P.M. and is a noticed meeting.

A **Motion** was made by Ram Vasudevan to accept the Provider Committee report as presented. The **Motion** was seconded by Sam McConnell. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

Jon Kurtz stated that the Master Facility Plan, Blocker Building, Ehlers Trust, Pension, 401(k), are in the winding down process and being developed. The workmen's compensation cases are down to 12 and 4 or 5 of those are fixable; professional liability cases are down to 3. Mr. Kurtz and Ms. Cooper are currently working on next fiscal year's budget and Lease Compliance Report.

There will be a special Finance Committee meeting on July 13th to review the proposed budget so that it can be presented at the July 21st Finance Committee meeting.

Mr. Bianculli asked if we had any idea what it is going to take to run the operation. Mr. Kurtz stated the plan is that payments coming from TimberRidge will cover the operating expenses and the investments will serve as a cushion for operating and grants.

Old Business

None

Legal Matters

Hank Ehlers Trust

Jon Dean reported that he has been pushing and driving CHS to send a letter of termination to Ehlers and they had not done that as of the committee meetings.

In the past week, CHS sent a demand letter to Ehlers, Trustee and the Banks demanding payment within 75 days of all back taxes and rent owed to CHS and MCHD.

After discussion, it was decided that Mr. Dean will relay to CHS they can pursue collection of the back taxes and rent from Ehlers Trustee, but CHS does not have authority to compromise MCHD's claim without our written consent.

Mr. Dean suggested not filing a lawsuit against Ehlers Trustee yet, but rather wait and see how it plays out with the demand letter.

Blocker Building

Mr. Dean advised that the County Attorney is reviewing the District's contract to purchase the Blocker building for \$1.98M plus closing costs, with a closing date of July 31st. The contract is contingent upon a

simultaneous amendment of the Lease with CHS for the same amount and if the closing is not held within a certain timeframe, MCHD has the right to terminate the contract.

During the Trustee's meeting with CHS regarding the Master Facility Plan, CHS indicated a contract to purchase the Blocker Building from MCHD had been sent.

In light of the issue with Ehlers Trustee, it was discussed presenting a contract to CHS in the amount of \$2.5M and MCHD would assign their rights to collect and sue Ehlers Trustee for the past due taxes to CHS.

Mr. Klein would like to know if the County would give the District an option on the building.

Public Comments

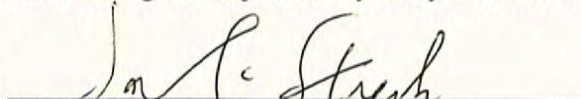
Dick Grosso from the MRMC Auxiliary shared with the Trustees a pilot program that is currently going into Phase II. The program is designed to assist the frail and elderly who are discharged from the Hospital and go home without support. The Auxiliary had 85 cases in Phase I and were able to help 45 people with such things as food, transportation and installing hand rails in bathrooms at their homes.

Mr. Grosso addressed the Trustees with the hope of obtaining grant monies to fund Phase II, which is needed in the next 60 to 90 days.

Mr. Kurtz asked Mr. Grosso to make an appointment to sit down and talk with him about the grant program. At this time, the Trustees do not foresee funding grants until 2016.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Larry Strack at 7:20 p.m.



Lawrence J. Strack, Chairman