

RAWLINS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Monday, August 27, 2018

5:30 PM

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Rawlins County Health Center Education Room

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Board Chairperson Harlan Holste called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Board members present included: Holste, Roger Philpott, Rosalie Ross, Phil Studer, Mike Braxmeyer Mike Mulligan, Cedric Green and Brooklyn Barker. Also present: Sharon K. Cox, CEO, Heather Prideaux, CFO, Destiny Schroeder, Information Systems Director, Amber Withington, CCO, Kim Sramek, DON, Ryan Marvin, Support Services Director, Tara Bowles, Employee Relations Director/Recording Secretary, Kim Sramek, DON, Jennifer Hurst, Clinic Operations Director, Bob Wallace, Centura Interim Operations Director and Lloyd Huff, Square Deal. Board members absent included: Matt Wolters.
2. **AGENDA:** Studer moved to approve the revised agenda to include postponing Dr. Kellogg to the September meeting; second by Mulligan; motion carried 8/0.
3. **JULY 23, 2018 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES & AUGUST 13, 2018 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:** Ross moved to approve the July 23, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes; second by Philpott; motion carried 8/0. Ross moved to approve the August 13, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes; second by Mulligan; motion carried 8/0.
4. **MARKETING/FOUNDATION WRITTEN REPORT**
5. **FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE:** Mulligan gave an update stating there were a few questions in regards to the financials from this year compared to last year. Prideaux stated this year's financials does not include a Medicare payment at this time.
6. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Withington stated Dr. Kellogg would make a presentation at the September meeting speaking to why quality is important to all staff. Hurst and Withington have been working with the providers and staff to continue to better the scores on the MedStatix surveys. Comparing the current results to the previous months, the patient population was somewhat different this last month due to many sports physicals being completed. Withington was in contact with MedStatix to get some additional clarification on some of the questions like who can/should give the patient education during their visit and how the survey measures it. Patient comments were good this month as well. RCHC is matching the overall scores, but there is still a goal to hit 95% monthly on an individual basis.

Braxmeyer asked about the Physician Recruiting portion that Dr. Kellogg was going to speak about. Cox reported that RCHC is not looking for a family practice physician. Cox said that RCHC is working with Centura on recruiting. Braxmeyer said that a recruiting suggestion was brought to RCHC's attention and he wanted to know where RCHC was at in regard to this. Withington stated that there had been no action taken in regard to recruiting a full-time family practice physician to RCHC. Cox said there are currently no openings statistically or factually for a doctor

to fill. Braxmeyer asked who was on the Physician Recruiting committee, Mulligan, Wolters and Braxmeyer all are. Braxmeyer would like to call a meeting to discuss this issue further.

Prideaux gave a financial update for June and July. The auditors will be out the end of September. Prideaux had a PowerPoint showing the increase in the stats from FYE 2017 to FYE 2018. Also included was a days cash on hand comparison. There was a large payment from the Medicare Cost Report settlement from last year. Prideaux has a Medicare Cost Report tool she can use to see if RCHC is expected to get a receivable or payable. Prideaux then gave a balance sheet comparison stating there was \$149,685.91 more in receivables in 2018 than 2017. The auditors will do a walkthrough of accounts and will also determine if we are to get a payable or receivable. Wallace asked about the chargemaster and if changes have been made to it recently. Prideaux said yes, and the increases were too high in some instances, so it is being reviewed again. RCHC received a good faith credit of \$20,000 from athena for the swingbed claim that was denied. There will be additional training available to the RCHC staff from athena as well.

Prideaux said the stats showed an increase to the rural health clinic visits because of school physicals.

Prideaux then presented the indigent care write off in the amount of \$23,585.22. This patient recently passed away and did not have enough estate money to pay off this debt. Studer moved to approve the write off; second from Ross; motion carried 8/0.

Schroeder presented credentialing for Daniel J. Hulse, MD, United Radiology, Salina, KS- Consulting-Initial appointment. In January 2019 BCBS will be covering 3D mammograms, and there will be a new truck coming to RCHC in the future that offers 3D mammograms. RCHC sends copies of previous mammograms to United Radiology to be read prior to their appointment. Philpott moved to approve the credentialing; second by Mulligan; motion carried 8/0.

Cox went over the Compliance minutes stating the chargemaster review will be brought back to the board for further review. Cox gave the staff and board kudos for being able to make the changes necessary to continue to improve in all aspects.

7. CENTURA REPORT:

Wallace gave an update stating the CEO search is very active and they hope to wrap it up soon. There was a regional advisory meeting today between RCHC, Logan County Hospital and Goodland Regional Medical Center. There will be a Radiology presentation to the network to come September 25th. Victor Hawkins starts September 4th as the Regional Operations Director. Thom Hauer, Regional HR is preparing a shared employment agreement for the Centura Rural Health Network. Centura is also applying for a regional opioid grant to help with the coordinating and preventing of opioid use. Specialty providers were a main topic of discussion at the regional meeting. Cox said the composed Medical Staff By-Laws are being wrapped up. Green brought up that Phillipsburg has given notice to GPHA and may be interested in joining the Regional Centura network. The company who provides the hospital employee health insurance is looking for other businesses to join into this insurance pool, and there will be tiered options for benefit savings. Hawkins plans to be back on site at RCHC and plans to meet as many staff members as he can, and he will plan to be at the September board meeting.


8. **CHAIRPERSON REPORT:**

Holste reported there is a KHA Regional Trustee Seminar to be held in Colby on October 18, 2018 from 12:00-5:00. Holste plans to attend and RCHC will cover the registration fee. The Regional Advisory Committee update was already given previously in the meeting. Ross asked about Phillipsburg's management status, Holste stated they had given their 90-day notice to GPHA. Holste said Smith Center had built a new hospital in their town.

9. **ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rosalie Ross, Secretary



Tara Bowles, Recording Secretary