

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
August 26, 2020

**Presiding Chairperson:** Greg Cure, Chairman

**Recording Secretary:** Vicki Baker

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**Attendance:**

***Board Members present:***

Greg Cure, Chairman  
Vicki Baker, Secretary  
Brian Rippe, Vice-Chairman  
Dr. Torrence Gleason, Treasurer  
Valerie Gavin  
William (Bill) Peterson  
Dr. Travis Daise, Ex Officio

***Members absent:***

Mike Johnson

***Guests:***

Brian Hillier

***Administrative Team Staff Present:***

Dr. Ronald Robinson - CEO  
Derick Lorentz - CFO  
Amie Powell, Clinics Administrator  
Christy Pemberton, Quality & Risk Mgr.  
Kim Horinek, HR Director  
Jill Neitzel, Pharmacy Director  
Jesse Guajardo, Rehab Mgr.  
Diana Slough, Patient Accounts  
Erica Warnke, Dialysis Administrator

Allison Mulch, Director of Nursing  
Amy Dovidio, Communications and Project Mgr.  
Chris Fulwider, Respiratory Mgr.  
Josh Neff, VP of Integration-Centura  
Steve Swan, PA  
Dr. Norman Means  
Jessica Gittinger, APRN, FNP-C  
Jonathan Spellmeier, PA

***GRMC Staff Present:***

Bre McEwen  
Peggy Warren  
Kent Butts

Cristi Romans  
Shaunda Mann

***Community Members Present:***

Roberta Bretz

### **Call to Order:**

- Board Chairman, Greg Cure, called the meeting to order at 5:46 p.m. and opened the floor for Public Comments.
- Public Comments: None
- Introductions and Announcements: None
- Dr. Gleason moved and Mr. Rippe seconded to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.
- Ms. Baker moved and Ms. Gavin seconded to approve the July 22, 2020 Minutes. Motion carried.
- Reminder of the next regular scheduled board meeting date of Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 5:45 pm

### **Consent Agenda:**

- Board Committee Reports. Minutes from the Executive Committee meeting held July 30, 2020 were included for discussion. Highlights from the meeting include the approval of Jessica Gittinger's employment contract as a provider, approval of the Sherman County SPARK MOU and approval to purchase a ventilator for \$7500. Mr. Rippe moved and Dr. Gleason seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

### **Updates and New Business:**

- Brian Hillier joined us via phone to present the initial discussions on employee benefits – GRMC and RCHC – leveraging of numbers. A formal presentation will follow at a later date. No action required.
- Steve Swan, PA presented the SLY year end report for discussion. No action required.
- Ms. Valerie Gavin presented for discussion a proposed strategy process for 2021. No action required.
- Dr. Robinson and Derick Lorentz presented for approval changing the GPO for GRMC. Currently GRMC is with Vizient and the new proposed GPO vendor is Premier. This change would allow for cost savings on both pharmaceuticals and supplies, therefore reducing overall expenses. Dr. Gleason moved and Mr. Rippe seconded the approval of Premier as the new GPO for GRMC. Motion carried.
- Dr. Robinson and Kent Butts, Director of Engineering, presented two bids for the Emergency Department concrete flatwork: Malsom Enterprises, LLC bid for \$16,500 and Dan Knitig bid for \$8,200. Mr. Rippe moved and Dr. Gleason seconded the approval of the bid for \$8,200 from Dan Knitig. Motion carried.
- Jill Neitzel presented for approval a request for funding of the USP 797/800 remodel in the amount of \$59,000. She still intends to look for other avenues to help offset the full expense of the project. Dr. Gleason moved and Mr. Rippe seconded the approval of the funding for the USP 797/800 remodel in the amount of \$59,000. Motion carried.
- Mr. Neff presented the board with competencies for the evaluation of the CEO/CFO. Also provided was draft Regional Advisory Committee information regarding the 501c3 project and he reminded the board of the educational event scheduled for them September 15, 2020. No action required.

### **Financials:**

- Derick Lorentz, CFO presented the financial reports. Ms. Gavin moved and Dr. Gleason seconded to approve the financials. Motion carried.

### **Medical Executive Committee:**

- The Medical Executive Committee Report was presented by Dr. Daise. Mr. Rippe moved and Ms. Gavin seconded to approve the Medical Executive Committee Report. Motion carried.

**Department Reports:** (The following are reports which require no actions unless otherwise noted):

- **Risk Management/Quality Report** – Submitted by Christy Pemberton.
- **IT Report** – No Report
- **Facility Report** – Submitted by Kent Butts.
- **Clinics Report** – Submitted by Amie Powell.
- **Nursing Services Report** – Submitted by Allison Mulch.
- **Rehabilitation Services Report** – Submitted by Jesse Guajardo.
- **Pharmacy Report** – Submitted by Jill Neitzel.
- **High Plains Regional Dialysis Report** – Submitted by Erica Warnke.
- **Laboratory Report** – Submitted by Lori Phillips.
- **Diagnostic Imaging Report** – Submitted by Abby Emigh.
- **Respiratory Therapy Report** – Submitted by Chris Fulwider.
- **Marketing** – Submitted by Amy Dovidio.
- **Grants** – Submitted by Suzanna Koel.
- **Human Resources** – Submitted by Kim Horinek.
- **Onboarding and Provider Enrollment** – Submitted by Diana Slough and Bre McEwen

**Old Business:**

- None

**Executive Session**

- At 6:50 pm and with no other new or old business the Board took a short break.
- At 7:00 pm, Dr. Gleason moved and Mr. Rippe seconded that the Board enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters for nonelected personnel (K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1)) for 15 minutes including Dr. Robinson, Derick Lorentz, Josh Neff, Dr. Daise and Kim Horinek.
- At 7:15 pm, Mr. Rippe moved and Mr. Peterson seconded to exit Executive Session and the Board reconvened in open session.
- Dr. Gleason moved and Mr. Rippe seconded the approval of a payment to Dr. Heather Licke in the amount of \$11,580. Motion carried.
- At 7:16 pm, Ms. Gavin moved and Mr. Rippe seconded that the Board enter a second Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters for nonelected personnel (K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1)) for 45 minutes including Dr. Robinson, Derick Lorentz, Josh Neff and Dr. Daise.
- At 7:55 pm, Mr. Rippe moved and Dr. Gleason seconded to exit Executive Session and the Board reconvened in open session.
- No action taken.

**Adjournment:**

- With no further business, Mr. Rippe moved and Ms. Baker seconded to adjourn at 7:55 pm.

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Vicki Baker, Secretary