

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 23, 2023

Presiding Chairperson: Greg Cure, Chairman

Recording Secretary: Bre McEwen

Attendance:

Board Members present:

Greg Cure, Chairman
Patricia (Patty) Eckhardt, Vice Chairman
Sabrina Thompson, Secretary
Valerie Gavin, Treasurer
Vickie Baker
Dwane Timm
Travis Daise, MD, ex-officio

Members absent:

Guests:

Administrative Team Staff Present:

Amie Powell, Chief Operations Officer
Stephanie Wendt, SPC Clinical Coordinator – via Teams
Gina Eastin, Regional Analyst
Ryan Marvin, Support Services Director
Dawn Stasser, Quality Manager – via Teams
Heather Prideaux, Regional CFO
Craig Loveless, CEO
Allison Mulch, CCO
Suzanna Koel, Foundation Director
Tina Wolak, Marketing

GRMC Staff Present:

Bre McEwen

Community Members Present:

Janet Craft

Call to Order:

- Board Chairman, Greg Cure, called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. and opened the floor for Public Comments.
- Public Comments: none
- Recognition of Special Guests and Announcements: none
- Ms. Thompson moved, and Ms. Gavin seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of the Jennifer Wernsman Recruitment contract. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

- Minutes from the July 28, 2023, meeting presented for approval.
- Reminder of the next regularly scheduled board meeting date of Wednesday, September 27, 2023, at 5:00 pm.
- Informational Items-Department Reports:
 - Human Resources Report
 - Clinic Report
 - Strategic Plan
 - Quality Report
- Ms. Gavin moved, and Ms. Baker seconded to approve the Consent Agenda with the correction in the Minutes for the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Presentations:

- Suzanna presented information about the golf tournament on September 23rd. There are four large raffle items.
- Tina Wolak presented information on GRMC supporting NWKTC and GJSHS on an 'Athlete of the Week'. This will run for 33 weeks starting the week of Labor Day. Tina extended an invitation to the board members to the Family Movie Day for GRMC employees and family.

Board Committee Reports:

- None

Action and Discussion Items-Updates and New Business:

- Dawn Stasser presented the Purchase Authorization Policy for review and approval. This came to the board previously and has been amended since then. Main change is moving CEO and CFO signing authority down to \$5,000. Anything above \$5,000 must go to the Board for approval. The change to move down to \$5,000 is due to the current Centura contract stating Centura employees are not allowed to approve anything over that dollar amount. Mr. Cure would like Mr. Loveless, CEO, to reach out to Josh Neff, VP of Rural Outreach for Centura, to see about raising this dollar amount. This is very limiting to GRMC Leadership. Ms. Prideaux, CFO, pointed out that items are only brought to the Board if they are not previously approved in the annual budget. This would limit the items actually brought to the Board on a monthly basis. Motion to approve the Purchase Authorization Policy as presented by Ms. Eckhardt, seconded by Ms. Baker. Motion carried.
- Current HR consultant has recommended GRMC contracts with Jennifer Wernsman out of Holyoke to help recruit. She will come in and set up a recruiting plan overall. Projecting 20 hours a week between GRMC and RCHC at \$35 per hour. Currently have an open HR Generalist position at GRMC. This position would have a recruiting responsibility that would then have a plan to follow. Motion to approve the recruiting contract for Jennifer Wernsman by Ms. Eckhardt, seconded by Mr. Timm. Motion carried.

Financials:

- Heather Prideaux presented the July 2023 financials. Motion to approve the financials as presented by Ms. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Timm. Motion carried.
- Days cash on hand: 264

Medical Executive Committee:

- The Medical Executive Committee Report with Credentialing was presented by Dr. Travis Daise. Ms. Gavin moved; Ms. Tompson seconded to approve of the Medical Executive Committee Report with Credentialing as well as the Policies and Procedures submitted for August. Motion carried.

CEO Report:

- Craig Loveless submitted information comparing Kansas hospitals total expenses. This information went along with the Wichita Newspaper article that came out a while ago about which Kansas hospitals were at risk of closing. This is really just showing that small county owned hospitals could not operate on their own without community support, which is nothing anyone that works in a small hospital doesn't know.
- Craig submitted the updated organization chart for review.
- County and City joint meeting update. Review engineering report. State of current facility. Still working with architect about viewing newly built hospitals.
- Craig would like to start monthly board educations. This month's education is on Board governance vs management.

Centura Report:

- None.

Other New Business:

- None.

Old Business:

- None.

Executive Session:

- None.

Adjournment:

- With no further business to discuss, Mr. Timm moved, and Ms. Thompson seconded to adjourn at 6:15pm.

Sabrina Thompson, Secretary