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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors May 7, 2024

The Governing Board of Gonzales Healthcare Systems met in a Regular Meeting on May 7, 2024, at 5:15 P.M. at the Thrive Healthplex Conference Room.

Directors Present:

Kenneth Gottwald – President
Greg Tieken – Vice President
Stephanie Kodack – Secretary
Tim Markham – Member
Gene Reed – Member
Wayne South – Member (5:17 PM)

Directors Absent

Sascha Kardosz – Member
Kerry Morgan – Member
Lisa Gindler – Member

Others Present:

Brandon Anzaldua, CEO
Billy Bailey, CFO
Dr. Kathleen Korner, D.O., F.A.C.O.S., Chief of Staff
Juli Clay
Amanda Frederick
Karen Iacuone
John Pirkle
Deena Cobler
Jamie McCord, Texan Nursing and Rehab
Ryan Harrington, Trinity Healthcare (Virtual)
Gina Lehman, Ovation (Virtual)
Kristine Wolff, Ovation (Virtual)

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The meeting was called to order at 5:15 P.M. by Kenneth Gottwald
- President.

CALL TO ORDER

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Greg Tieken.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Invocation was given by Tim Markham.

INVOCATION

The administration of the Oath of Office for incoming Precinct Directors was held for Dr. Kenneth Gottwald Precinct 2, Gregory Tieken Precinct 3, and Wayne South Precinct 4. Lisa Gindler was not present for Precinct 1 therefore, her oath of office will be held and the next Board of Directors meeting.

OATH OF OFFICE

Ryan Harrington with Texan and Magnolia Nursing Home gave the Bi-Annual Report. He shared the QIPP results with the Board for both the Texan and Magnolia Facilities. Ryan stated that for both facilities, Component 2: Workforce Development, Component 3: Quality Measures and Component 4: Infection Control, 100% was achieved. He shared that the total estimated payments received by the Texan was \$94,101 for Q2 and for Magnolia was \$115, 872.

**TEXAN AND MAGNOLIA
BI-ANNUAL REPORT**

A motion was made to **approve** the Texan and Magnolia QIPP Report. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Tim Markham) There were six for and no votes against the motion.

**APPROVE
TEXAN AND MAGNOLIA
BI-ANNUAL REPORT**

Motion was made and **approved** at 5:30 PM to close the Open Session of the Board of Director's meeting held on May 7, 2024. (Motion by Wayne South, second by Tim Markham) There were six for and no votes against the motion.

CLOSE OPEN SESSION

Meeting was called into Executive Session at 5:30 PM, Pursuant to the Provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code; Section 551.071, Section 551.072, Section 551.073, Section 551.074, Section 551.076, Section 551.085, and Section 161.032 under the Texas Health & Safety Code. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Greg Tieken) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made and **approved** to adjourn Executive Session at 5:44 PM on May 7, 2024. (Motion by Greg Tieken, second by Gene Reed) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

ADJOURN SESSION

The meeting was called into Open Session at 5:44 PM on May 7, 2024, (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Greg Tieken) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

CALL MEETING INTO
OPEN SESSION

Brandon Anzaldua presented the Construction update. He stated that the the Building Committee has discussed all the bids and thoroughly vetted each one. The Building Committee recommends Broaddus Construction as the as having the top bid. The Building Committee recommends that Broaddus be awarded the contract.

CONSTRUCTION
UPDATE

Dr Gottwald asked for Broaddus Construction to be **approved** as the General Contractor for the Surgery Expansion Project. (Motion by Gene Reed, seconded by Wayne South) There were six for and no votes against the motion.

BROADDUS
APPROVED AS
CONTRACTOR

Dr. Gottwald asked the Board to set Surgery Construction Budget for the Surgery Expansion Project at \$18.7 Million. (Motion by Greg Tieken, second by Tim Markham)

APPROVE
CONSTRUCTION
BUDGET

Dr Gottwald asked the Board for RNDI to be **approved** as the asbestos abatement contractor for the Surgery Expansion Project. (Motion by Greg Tieken, seconded by Gene Reed) There were six for and no votes against the motion.

RNDI
APPROVED

Dr Gottwald asked for the AGCM Invoice to be **approved**. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, seconded by Tim Markham) There were six for and no votes against the motion.

APPROVE
AGCM INVOICE

Dr Gottwald asked for the AGCM AD Hoc Invoice for Thrive to be **approved**. (Motion by Greg Tieken, seconded by Gene Reed) There were six for and no votes against the motion.

APPROVE AGCM
AD HOC INVOICE

Brandon reminded the Board of Directors of the importance of the Cyber Security Training. He stated the training had a 94% completion rate at this time. Dr. Gottwald asked for the **approval** of the Certification and Acknowledgement of Cyber Security Training and Audit for Gonzales Healthcare Systems in Compliance with HB3834.

APPROVE CYBER
SECURITY TRAINING

The Board reviewed the 340B Program which is the Public Health Service Act requiring drug manufacturers participating in the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program to sign an agreement with the Secretary of Health and Human Services. This agreement limits the price manufacturers may charge certain covered entities for covered outpatient drugs. The resulting program is called the 340B Program. The program is administered by the Office of Pharmacy Affairs (OPA), a part of the federal Health Resources and Services Administration/Department of Health and Human Services

REVIEW 340B
PROGRAM

Consent Agenda:

CONSENT AGENDA

Kenneth Gottwald, President, asked if any items need to be pulled for discussion. No items were requested to be pulled. Dr. Kodack asked that her attendance be corrected on the April Board of Directors Meeting Minutes to be changed to virtual.

Consent Agenda Items:

- Minuets of the Gonzales Healthcare Foundation on
- Minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meetings on
- Minutes of the Building Committee on
- Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting on
- Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting on
- Policies:
- Agreements:
- Nursing Home QIPP Report

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. (Motion by Greg Tieken, seconded by Stephanie Kodack) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

**APPROVE CONSENT
AGENDA**

Brandon shared that Casey Ehrig M. ED, LPC has requested to lease Sprout at Thrive. He stated she does play therapy with her patients and requires the larger space. He also shared that there are only five children attending day care in the afternoons and they are rarely in Sprout. Brandon stated that the children play in the gym most days and that for crafts, Sprout employees will set up tables in the gym. He shared that Ms. Ehrig already has nineteen patients on a waiting list and that she has hired a second counselor. The Board asked to check on signage for Ms. Ehrig at Thrive. The motion was made to **approve** the lease agreement for Casey Ehrig, M.Ed., LPC. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, seconded by Wayne South) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

**APPROVE LEASE
AGREEMENT
CASEY EHRIG**

FINANCIAL REPORT AS PRESENTED BY BILLY BAILEY:

Motion was moved and **approved** to accept the Financial Report for March 2024 as presented with the following documents:

**APPROVE FINANCIAL
REPORT**

- Balance Sheet
- Cash Flow Sheet
- Current Month and YTD Income Statement Compared to Last Year
- Currently Month and YTD Income Statement Compared to Budget
- Departmental Charge/Expense Report
- Departmental Charge/Supply Expense Report
- Receivable, Payor Mix and Collections
- Cash Comparison
- Trend Report
- Capital Expenditure Report

- Investment Schedule
- Tax Report
- THRIVE Healthplex
- Foundation

(Motion by Greg Tieken and seconded by Tim Markham) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

CEO REPORT AS PRESENTED BY BRANDON ANZALDUA:

CEO REPORT

Brandon shared the CEO Report. He stated that Cerner has tripled physician time on screen. and there is more evaluation occurring on the charge master, coding, and procedure mapping for physicians to ensure accuracy. He stated the DNFB as of 4/30/24 is 10 days. Brandon shared that as we get into strategic planning a focus on physician recruitment will ramp up. He stated that the Radiologist group has been selected with start date in the fall of 2024 and that recruitment firms are contracted searching for OBGYN, Surgeon, Orthopedic, Family Practice, and Internal Medicine. Brandon shared that multiple interviews have occurred with OBGYN's for locums' coverage. He stated the scheduling for the Board Retreat is 6/5-6/6 at Disciple Oaks and the schedule and timelines have been created. He shared that this would include an invitation to all leadership, board, and physicians to their respective time slots. Brandon shared that a new clinic director was selected and is now active in the clinic and Congratulations to Jeff Markham on being selected to the role. Brandon shared that Cattle country went off without a hitch for the hospital as we only saw a few in the ER. Brandon shared that Home Health is celebrating 40 years this summer and the celebration will be a come and go event at midday, tentatively scheduled June 26th. He stated additional security cameras have been installed in the clinics and scheduling for the lighting through the SECO grant is being planned.

The upcoming events are as follows:

- May 28 – Finance, Executive Committee Meetings
- June 4 – Regular Board Meeting
- May 14 – Board Leadership Training: Intersection of Patient Experience and Quality at the Board Level
- June 5-6 – Strategic Planning Retreat

Motion was moved and **approved** to accept the CEO Report as presented with the following documents:

APPROVE CEO REPORT

- Department Reports
- GHS Newsletter/May 2024

(Motion by Gene Reed, seconded by Tim Markham) There were six for and no votes against the motion.

Motion was made and **approved** at 7:28 PM to close the Open Session of the Board of Director's meeting held on May 7, 2024. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Gene Reed) There were six for and no votes against the motion.

CLOSE OPEN SESSION

Meeting was called into Executive Session at 7:28, Pursuant to the Provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code; Section 551.071, Section 551.072, Section 551.073, Section 551.074, Section 551.076, Section 551.085, and Section 161.032 under the Texas Health & Safety Code. (Motion by Tim Markham, second by Greg Tieken) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Motion was made and **approved** to adjourn Executive Session at 8:05 PM on May 7, 2024. (Motion by Tim Markham, second by Greg Tieken) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

ADJOURN CLOSED
SESSION

The meeting was called into Open Session at 8:06 PM on May 7, 2024, (Motion by Stephanie Kodack and seconded by Wayne South) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

CALL MEETING INTO
OPEN SESSION

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Medical Staff Report as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Greg Tieken) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

APPROVE MEDICAL
STAFF REPORT

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Performance Improvement and Patient Safety Report as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Wayne South second by Gene Reed) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

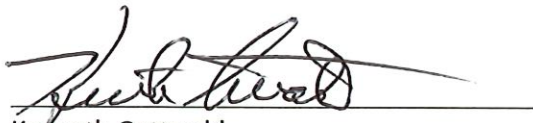
APPROVE PI/PATIENT

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Compliance Report as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Greg Tieken, second by Wayne South) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

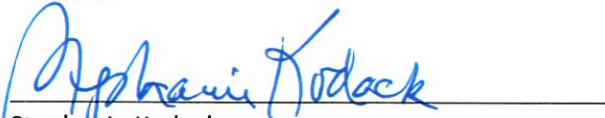
APPROVE COMPLIANCE
REPORT

Motion was made and **approved** to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 PM. (Motion by Wayne South, second Gene Tieken) There were six votes for and no votes against the motion.

ADJOURNMENT



Kenneth Gottwald
President



Stephanie Kodack
Secretary