

Consideration and vote to authorize Kena Allen, CFO to open two bank accounts with Equity Bank for the patient lending program. One to be reserve account and one the operational account to receive payments/collection. Both with the same signature list as other McCurtain Memorial Medical Management, Inc. accounts – Kena Allen, CFO, Brian Whitfield, CEO and Kendra Gross, Board Chairman.

After discussion, Johnnie Meredith moved and seconded by Henry Moy to authorize Kena Allen to open two bank accounts as requested.

Members voting aye: Unanimous

Members opposed: None

Consideration and vote to ratify/approve the request for expenses to be paid by McCurtain County Hospital Authority.

A separate handout showed check requests totaling \$146,620.05 taken to the Authority Board this month to be paid from the HA-3 account.

After discussion, Lindsey Campbell moved and seconded by Henry Moy to approve the expenses as presented.

Members voting aye: Unanimous

Members opposed: None

CNO Clinical Update

Dustin Leonard reported in August we have had an increase in Covid positives, but not many admissions from covid. ED has seen 901 patients which averages 37 per day. We've had 40 admits from the ER, 76 transfers, and 7 AMAs.

Quality Council Minutes, Attachments & Report

The Quality minutes (page 25-30) and Quality Management Reports were reviewed.

After discussion, Johnnie Meredith moved and Lindsey Campbell seconded to approve the minutes, report, and attachments as presented.

Members voting aye: Unanimous

Members opposed: None

DNV Survey Update

No report. It was requested that this item be removed from the agenda until needed.

Clinic Report

Dustin has been working closely with Jan Ryals to improve the coding at the clinics. Accurate coding will increase revenue at the clinics. We will be moving Karyn Lane back to the Idabel clinic and Monica Hevron will move to Hochatown. We have a new NP coming onboard in the near future who will also serve at the Idabel clinic.

Medical Staff Report

The minutes from the August Medical Executive Committee meeting (page 31 -33) were reviewed and the credentialing appointments presented for approval.

Consideration and vote to approve the credentialing recommendations of the Medical Staff.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

Consulting Staff:

- Song, Samuel Sungwon, MD Telemed Radiology privileges 9/1/22-9/1/23
- Taha Khan, MD Pulmonary Telemedicine 9/1/22-9/1/23
- Girish Murthy, MD Internal Medicine and Infectious Disease Telemedicine 9/1/22-9/1/23
- Ahmad Bilal, MD Internal Medicine and Nephrology Telemedicine 9/1/22-9/1/23

Radiology Telemed Staff extend appointment to match Radiology Partners reappointment schedule:

- Lauren Martinez, MD Telemed Radiology privileges 8/1/22-6/1/24
- Michael La Pointe MD Telemed Radiology privileges 8/1/22-6/1/24
- Benoit Luyckx, MD Telemed Radiology privileges 8/1/22-6/1/24
- Omar Samarah, MD Telemed Radiology privileges 8/1/22-7/1/24
- Jose Arjona, MD Telemed Radiology privileges 8/1/22-6/1/24
- Henry Jones, MD Telemed Radiology privileges 8/1/22-6/1/24
- Sunthosh Madireedi, MD Telemed Radiology privileges 8/1/22-7/1/24

MOVE FROM PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

- Venkataraman Rajaram MD Telemed Cardiology approve to Consulting Staff, set reappointment for 9/30/23

REAPPOINTMENTS:

Active Staff:

- Gretchen Adams, MD family medicine privileges 8/22/22-8/31/24

Consulting Staff:

- Manuel Cruz, MD Cardiology privileges 7/31/22 – 7/31/24
- Donald Wurzburg, MD Cardiology privileges 7/31/22 – 7/31/24

RESIGNATIONS

- Laney Combs, NP hasn't worked in over a year, privileges expire on 9/30/22

After discussion, Lindsey Campbell moved and seconded by Johnnie Meredith to approve the recommended privileges as presented.

Members voting aye: Unanimous

Members opposed: None

Consideration and vote to approve the following HR & Clinic Policies:

- HR Policies :85-24 PTO Benefits, 85-35 Sick Leave Benefits, 85-37 Termination or Resignation of Service –
- Clinic Policies 18-10 No Show, 18-91 Paid Time Off Benefits, 18-99 Sick Leave Benefits, 18-101 Termination or Resignation of Service

After discussion, Johnnie Meredith moved and seconded by Henry Moy to approve the policies as presented.

Members voting aye: Unanimous

Members opposed: None

Administrator's Report

- The 50% The CMS advanced payment loans taken out by the previous administration have been repaid. CMS has been taking 50% of their payments and applying it to the loan taken out by the past administration. This has caused a financial hardship for the hospital, but we have pulled together and have stayed current on payrolls, taxes, employee insurance and benefits.
- The Foundation Board has donated \$30,000 twice for upgrades and facelift to various areas of the hospital. The 2nd donation has enabled us to begin giving Med/Surg a much-needed facelift. These cosmetic improvements have resulted in a lot of positive feedback from the public on how clean the hospital looks compared to its previous appearance.
- The hospital has secured supervision for our clinic nurse practitioners. Dr. Nitin Sawheny has agreed to oversee the clinics as well as serving as hospitalist.

- We have no new contract nurses. We are working to recruit local nurses to fill our staffing needs.
- A seven-year lease was signed on August 11 by board president Kendra Gross. Brian thanked her for all the hard work and dedication she has shown working with the attorneys and the board of County Commissioners. He also thanked the full board for their work and the compromises they agreed to in order to secure the lease.
- The ballot language that will be presented to the voters on Nov 8th has been approved for a 2% lodging tax that will fund the construction of the new hospital. We have put together a committee to start a marketing campaign for the ballot measure.
- After the lease was signed, Brian announced that Dustin Leonard and Kena Allen's positions were changed from 'interim' to permanent and he thanked them for all their hard work and dedication this past six months.

Consideration and possible vote to enter Executive Session to discuss salaried personnel as authorized by 25 OS § 307(B)(1)

At 7:10 pm Johnnie Meredith moved and 2nd by Henry Moy to enter into Executive Session

Members voting aye: Unanimous
Members opposed: None

Consideration and possible vote to return to open session.

At 7:32 pm Johnnie Meredith moved and 2nd by Lindsey Campbell to return to open Session

Members voting aye: Unanimous
Members opposed: None

Consideration and possible vote on actions to be taken if any on salaried personnel as authorized by 25 OS § 307(B)(1)

Lindsey Campbell moved and 2nd by Johnnie Meredith to remove 'Interim' from title of CEO Brian Whitfield and review his contract in January per current contract.

Members voting aye: Unanimous
Members opposed: None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Kena Allen thanked Brian and Dustin for all their hard work. Dr. Grugan stated he was encouraged by the changes he sees taking place and congratulated Brian, Dustin, and Kena. Johnnie Meredith stated it is a sign of a great leader that Brian listens to the staff and was willing to compromise on the PTO policies.

Adjournment

At 7:35 Henry Moy moved and 2nd by Johnnie Meredith to adjourn.

Members voting aye: Unanimous
Members opposed: None

Interim Board Secretary