Regular Meeting Board of Trustees Minutes
March 3, 2025 | 6:30-8:00 PM | Conf C

Meeting Purpose: Overall JCHC Update
Leader: Merlin Miller
Facilitator: Bryan Hunger
Recorder: Nanette Everly

Dr. Ortell introduced himself and explained a few of the procedures that he performs at JCHC.

Merlin Miller gave the Oath of Office to Alex Roth.

The Regular Meeting of the JCHC Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30 PM by Merlin Miller, Chair.

Connect to Purpose – Bryan stated he attended the AHA Rural Leadership Conference this past week. He appreciates the high level of engagement we have at our Strategic Planning sessions from all participants. Many others he talked with seemed to have more disconnect.

Mr. Miller asked for approval of the consent agenda and minutes from 2/3/25. Mr. Stever moved to approve the consent agenda & minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Miller opened the floor for public comment. There was no one in attendance.

Mr. Miller asked for the Medical Staff report. Dr. Trent reported on the 1 application from Sumin Tammy Li, MD, Courtesy-ER. Mrs. Greeson moved to approve the medical staff report. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Brent explained the January 2025 and FY25 statistics and financials. There was a net income of $2,636,386 for the month and $8,430,976. Debt Service Coverage is at 6.766 and Days Cash on Hand is at 130.6. Showed slides of net operating performance including income statement and balance sheets. Revenue in surgery has doubled. Received the Medicaid payment in February so this will show on next month's financials. More insurance companies are looking at websites to see procedure costs within in the required price transparency program and are asking to change their contracts.

Brent reported that after completion of Strategic Planning FY26, there are key priorities that will have significant impact on the County Budget and JCHC 's operating & capital budgets. Given the due date of April 30th to submit the FY 2026 County Budget, we will spend some extra time finalizing the County Budget for submission. The tax rate for JCHC will not change from what we shared with you at the February 3rd Board Meeting. Approval for the FY25 amended County Budget and FY26 County Budget will be at the April 7 board meeting.

Bryan gave JCHC Updates:
- Dr. Marovets gave an update on the Opioid management project. Around 126 letters will be sent out in a couple weeks. Providers will be notified of which patients will be receiving this. They will also be given a list of alternatives for pain management.
- A lawsuit, in which we are named, is scheduled to be heard in Jefferson County April 14-15.
- A recent provider lawsuit has been signed off on and finalized. We did pay our $125,000 deductible.
- 2025-2027 Strategic Plan follow up was discussed. We will have new goals for Patient Experience and Employee Experience but the tactics will remain the same. Tactics under financial pillar will be revised to look at our aging facilities.
- FY26 Action Plans were presented on a spreadsheet showing what will be worked on each month over the next fiscal year. Some items are completed annually.

Mr. Miller gave the Chair report
- Joneane & Joe reported for the Foundation. The Golf Tournament will be the end of May which will be the first in community this year. Grant purchases as being completed.

Mrs. Greeson moved to adjourn the meeting into closed session for the quarterly QI report under Iowa Code Section 21.5.1(l). **Motion carried unanimously.**

After coming out of closed session, Mrs. Atwood moved to approve the QI Report. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mrs. Atwood moved to adjourn the regular meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Joneane Parker
Secretary/Treasurer

Meeting Participants:
Members present were Merlin Miller, Joneane Parker, Angie Atwood, Julie Greeson, Joe Stever, and Alex Roth. Also present were Bryan Hunger, Brent Feickert, Jacque Bookin-Nosbisch, Tim Belec, Dr. Trent, and Nanette Everly.
Excused: Greg Hanshaw

Next Meeting Date: Monday, April 7, 2025 | 6:30 PM | Conf Room C