

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees Minutes  
May 5, 2025 | 6:35-8:10 PM | Conf C

Meeting Purpose: Overall JCHC Update

Leader: Merlin Miller

Facilitator: Bryan Hunger

Recorder: Nanette Everly

Staci Worley, RN, introduced herself and explained the JCHC emergency preparedness & disaster plans including incident command.

The Regular Meeting of the JCHC Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:35 PM by Merlin Miller, Chair.

Connect to Purpose – Bryan read 2 patient survey comments.

Mr. Miller asked for approval of the consent agenda and minutes from 4/7/25. Mrs. Atwood 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 a resignation from Aubree Dane, PA, AHP (RadPartners). No motion needed.

Brent explained the March 2025 and FY25 statistics and financials. There was a net income of \$97,416 for the month and \$8,326,613. Debt Service Coverage is at 5.330 and Days Cash on Hand is at 145.8. Showed slides of net operating performance including income statement and balance sheets. AR continues to be up/down. Unsure where CD rates may be going. UMB has not given us an updated rate on our bond yet.

Capital Requests that were not budgeted were explained. A mandatory update to the Omnicell for security purpose with TPN Chip Technology will be \$56,451.44. Also, the Endoscope Reprocessor III is at the end of its life. It is negatively impacting workflows as it must be sterilized between procedures. This will be \$26, 235. Mrs. Parker moved to approve these 2 unbudgeted capital requests. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Bryan gave JCHC Updates:

- The Ottumwa Clinic business plan was presented. Amanda Gerardy was available via phone for any questions; as well as Sarah Greiner, Clinic Director, in person. Looking at a fairly new space of 3,050 SF at approximately \$25/SF for 5-7 years. Would be looking to open in early 2026 with 1 physician and 1-2 ARNPs. We strive to be a partner in the community and the community impact was reviewed. Sarah explained it looks like 8.5 FTE's would be needed to start and make sure things are covered. Brent reviewed the financial proforma, which is all very conservative. CANCO has been involved with review of costs and construction estimate of \$1.22M. He also explained the investments and returns including

funding options. Board all agreed to move forward with this project and include in the FY26 budget to be approved in June.

- FY26 Provider Recruitment Plan was reviewed. We will soon be starting the contract with Jackson Physician Search for 2 physicians to replace Dr. Greiner and Dr. Larson. Using another firm for the Ottumwa Clinic, would like to recruit 1 physician and 1-2 APPs. The Oncology clinic/services needs to have an APP on the JCHC staff to help fill in for Dr. Vikas. Also keeping an eye on general surgery, orthopedic surgery, ED medical director and Sleep Lab medical director.
- Brent explained that JCHC was reported as one of the cleanest hospitals in the US (1 of 374) and Iowa (1 of 14). This puts our EVS department in the top 6% with a 5 star rating on all patient surveys. We will be celebrating them in the near future.

Mr. Miller had no Chair report this month.

Mrs. Greeson reported that the ambulance board met and have scheduled another meeting on May 14. Paperwork should be ready at the meeting for signatures. This will dissolve the 28E effective that day. There will be a deficit of funds that will be reported in detail at that meeting.

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, Greg Hanshaw, Angie Atwood, Julie Greeson, and Alex Roth. Also present were Bryan Hunger, Brent Feickert, Curtis Smith, Jacque Bookin-Nosbisch, Tim Belec, Dr. Marovets, and Nanette Everly.

Excused: Joe Stever

**Next Meeting Date: Monday, June 2, 2025 | 6:30 PM | Conf Room C**