

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees Minutes  
May 6, 2024 | 6:30-8:45 PM | Conf C

Meeting Purpose: Overall JCHC Update

Leader: Merlin Miller

Facilitator: Bryan Hunger

Recorder: Nanette Everly

Richard Curtis, MD, RHC, provided board education by giving an introduction of himself and his background including interests, hobbies, and medical specialties.

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 read a letter from a patient praising a lab employee.

Mr. Miller asked for approval of the consent agenda and minutes from 4/1/24. Mr. Stever moved to approve the consent agenda & minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Miller opened the floor for public comment. No one in attendance.

Mr. Miller asked for the Medical Staff report. Dr. Marovets reported on applications for Kelli Hinsch, ARNP, AHP (Locums Hospitalist); Beta Hamon, MD, Courtesy-ER; and Aubree Dane, PA-C, AHP (Rad Partners). Mrs. Parker moved to approve the medical staff report. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Brent explained the March 2024 and FY24 statistics and financials. There was a net income of \$475,058 for the month and \$227,062 for FY24. Days cash on hand 76.19. Debt Service is at 1.220. Showed slides of net operating performance including income statement and balance sheets. We had a positive monthly net operating margin of 1.0% and a positive net income FYTD 2024 of 0.5%. We have maintained the cap back on capital purchases. Continuing to work on the FY25 budgets.

Medicaid Directed Payments – reported we have received a statement of the most recent direct payment that we should receive by May 20 of \$1.7M which is about \$700,000 more than the first payment. These payments are based on your Medicaid patient volume but also meeting specific quality measures. IHA is preparing talking point for hospitals to be able to explain the program. Currently 40 out of 50 states are participating in this program.

Bryan gave JCHC Updates:

- FY24 organizational goals were reviewed
- Surgical call requirements were discussed including our current process. Healthcare standards have changed and most general surgery cases can be held overnight to be done the next morning. Trauma patients we would be transferring anyway. However, the surgeons have to be available by phone for consults/orders. Board agrees to follow current healthcare standards. Medical Staff Bylaws will need to be revised, so it will come back to the board for approval.

- CMO Position updates discussed
- Tim gave updates on the cybersecurity plans
- Strategic Planning updates were reviewed including a draft of what the plan document will look like. Have looked at consultants that help with improving culture and we feel Capstone would be the best fit. They have availability to get started right away and have experience with clinics.
- Tele-Hospitalist update was discussed – Jacque reported that things are going very well.
- Jefferson County is seeking to make the ambulance service an Essential Service under state regulations. This will help with taxing options to keep it a viable service to the county.

Mr. Miller gave the Chair report – No report this month.

Mrs. Greeson moved to adjourn the meeting into closed session, as requested by the CEO, for the CEO evaluation under Iowa Code Section 21.5.1(j). **Motion carried unanimously.**

After coming out of closed session, Mrs. Greeson moved to approve the CEO evaluation based on the compensation recommendations of the Executive Committee. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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

Joneane Parker  
Secretary/Treasurer

**Meeting Participants:**

Members present were Merlin Miller, Greg Hanshaw, Joneane Parker, Julie Greeson, Angie Atwood, Joe Stever and Bob Keller. Also present were Bryan Hunger; Brent Feickert; Curtis Smith; Jacque Bookin-Nosbisch; Tim Belec; Nanette Everly; and Dr. Marovets

**Next Meeting Date: Monday, June 3, 2024 | 6:30 PM | Conf Room C**