

**Mountainview Medical Center**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**September 22, 2021**

Present: Bill Galt – Chair, Shane Sere day, Cheri Bailey, Rick Seidlitz, Chris Schlep p, Tanya Hill  
Rob Brandt – CEO, Tony & Cathy Pfaff– Cypress Healthcare

Via Zoom

1. Call to Order

Bill called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

2. Minutes

Review of minutes from August. Call for corrections or additions. Rick moved to approve as presented, Cheri seconded. **Motion Passed.**

3. DON/Quality Report

Written report included in attachments.

Quality: 2 metrics that need improvement. Employee participation in 401K at 50% is not a good participation rate, will work on this with David Sterner this Fall. Second is dietary food temperatures. Should be tested prior to going to patients. At 67%, will work on improving rate for the next couple months.

4. Medical Staff Report:

Scott Meissner reported that Covid has made the ER busier and Labor Day. Both he and Adam have completed CME courses. 3 positives (COVID) yesterday and based on schedule, expecting 2 more this afternoon. That puts the count at 17-18 county wide. Have had some out of county people wanting to come and get screened. Deferring to larger care centers. Benefis is still accepting people and in turn we are accepting patients back to assist with their volume. We will accept (COVID) patients.

5. Financials: August

- Investment Accounts: US Bank 1.24 million, Merrill Lynch 1.25 million.
- Revenue: hospital \$397,977 clinic \$76,431 net patient \$502,647
- Expenses: \$551,807
- Operating loss \$48,327 net overall loss \$55,595
- Census: inpatient days 16 , swing bed days 53 , ER visits 47 , clinic 351
- Days cash on hand 399
- AR days 53

Loss is due to expenses being higher from traveling costs for nursing.

6. CEO Report:

Medical Staff Appointment: Scott Rigdon, CRNA is going to do the pain program: nerve oblations and injections. Ruby Valley and Deer Lodge already use him. Recommendation comes from Rob and Dr. Stenseth for acceptance to medical staff. Shane moved, Rick seconded. **Motion Passed.** He will start on the 10<sup>th</sup> of September with anticipation of him being here every other week.

New Facility: Building and grounds committee toured Ekalaka and Hazen, North Dakota to see the work of the vendors that made the final selection list. After meeting today their first pick was a design firm from one team and building company from another. The design firm declined. Now are waiting to hear back from the designer that is our finalist to qualify one question. Then Rob will make calls to the board and possibly vote on the final selection. Slate and Swank.

USDA Financing: expecting to hear the last week of October if we get the green light.

Information Items:

Vaccinations with mandates, Biden administration has said that healthcare and employers with over 100 have to be vaccinated. The State HB702 prohibits discrimination based on status. Federal against state law. Federal could cut off our funding. We are sitting on the side lines to see how it plays out, over 30 states against it.

What we do today is unvaccinated employees are tested on a monthly basis. Under this phase it will now be weekly. We still are fully masked in the facility. Direct care workers are vaccinated with 2 exceptions. One has the first dose, but due to adverse reaction will not get the second and the other is part time worker. Bill asked if there was a time limit on the federal mandate. The final rules are not out. Only 5-6 employees are not vaccinated. We will continue to urge them., politely.

Motion to adjourn by Rick, seconded by Shane. Meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.