

Mountainview Medical Center
Board of Directors Meeting
October 27, 2021

Present: Bill Galt – Chair, Shane Sereday, Cheri Bailey, Rick Seidlitz, Chris Schlepp, Tanya Hill
Rob Brandt – CEO, Tony Pfaff– Cypress Healthcare

Via Zoom

1. Call to Order

Bill called the meeting to order at 3:58 p.m.

2. Minutes

Review of minutes from September. Rick moved; Chris seconded to approve as presented. **Motion Passed.**

3. DON/Quality Report

Reports presented. No questions. Rob asked Cheri about being involved in the quality program, she sits on the committee and is involved in the formation of the report and the program as a whole. Cheri acknowledged that it is valuable information.

4. Medical Staff Report:

Adam Stenseth reported. Go ahead was given today to give booster shots. The difference between the 3rd shot and the booster is the 3rd shot is a full dose for immune compromised. The booster is a ½ dose. CDC is saying you can interchange companies for the booster shot.

Physicians Assistant that worked in Plentywood, Adam Graham, is available and interested in coming to work with us, while we look for a physician. Interviewed him last week.

Still trying to get lab equipment to run COIVD PCRs. Having to send out our testing and its variable when results come back, which is affecting patient care. It would be the gold standard as opposed to the rapid test we currently run that only has 70% specificity.

5. Financials: September

- Investment Accounts: 1.24 million
- Revenue: hospital \$370,817 clinic 73,422 net patient 503,416
- Expenses: \$508,203
- Operating loss \$3,726, net profit \$120,637 (covid ship grant 112K and DA Davidson account was up)
- Census: inpatient days 12, swing 43, ER 52, clinic 312
- Days cash on hand 408
- AR days 55

6. CEO Report:

Vocal funds to 1st Security. We have \$636K in the Vocal account which is only making interest of \$5-6 per month. If we move the money to 1st Security with our COIVD funds it will make \$328 per month. It is money we are leaving on the table. It will remain liquid. It's a good move and doesn't hurt Vocal, they aren't making anything off it either, it won't harm them,

it is a pass through for them. Motion made by Rick to allow Rob to move the funds, seconded by Cheri. **Motion Passed.**

New Facility – selection process was done in a special meeting. Progressing, facility appraiser is asking questions on the property. One is splitting off part of the parcel from the hospital. To use as collateral for the loan. It can be done at any time. Rob has not heard from the USDA, delay from federal side. They are also in charge of the stimulus funds - administrators of it; so Rob expected delays from them. We were told in May we would hear this week, but Rob doesn't anticipate an answer.

Staffing – in Kari Jo's report staffing RNs is an issue. We are looking and trying to entertain all ideas to make it better. Looking at innovative ideas to recruit.

The Physician Assistant from Plentywood, lives in Lolo, but would be a good addition to the team. He met with the providers last week. He is very good in the ER.

Our facility is not immune to the staffing issues across the board. Running lean at this point in time. This meeting last year is when COVID ran through the long-term care. It was a difficult time and hasn't gotten much better. Staff is doing good in dealing with it.

Bill asked Rob to explain the water line difficulties we are dealing with in getting it approved. The engineer submits to DEQ and they give the go ahead. Our submission to the DEQ is hung up with specific things that have to happen from the city. The contracted engineer for the city is not getting back to our engineer. They are waiting on one piece of information, a commitment to meet the demands of the water supply.

Information Items:

Thanksgiving meeting traditionally held at noon. All members are in agreement.

Motion to adjourn by Rick at 4:18, Cheri seconded.