Mountainview Medical Center Board of Directors Meeting November 2, 2022

Present: Bill Galt – Chair, Chris Schlepp, Rob Brandt – CEO, Tony Pfaff– Cypress Healthcare

Via Zoom: Rick Seidlitz, Shane Sereday, Cheri Bailey, Tanya Hill, Erin MacLean - Attorney

1. Call to Order

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

2. Minutes

Review of September minutes. Rick moved to accept as presented, Shane seconded. **Motion Passed**.

3. DON/Quality

Report included in packet. Newest thing is leadership rounds, this is part of the quality program to engage patients, residents and staff. Three questions were asked: what does quality or excellent patient care look like, what can we improve upon, is there anyone or thing you would like to mention or recognize. Good feedback was received.

4. Medical Staff Report

Dr. Stenseth introduced Kayla Whitmore, our new physician. Today they were working on some training, she is already seeing patients. She is a great addition to our staff. Ron's last day was Friday. He will be working in Philipsburg.

A small ultrasound, called a butterfly, was purchased. This will help with traumas to see bleeding in the abdomen or blood or fluid around the heart. The providers will have to take some classes to get trained. Adam Graham is already trained. It is specifically designed for physicians. It is not like the big professional devices.

The SIM truck for training is scheduled for August; this is always a good refresher for skills. COVID is rearing its head again, 5 in the community. With hunters from out of state we are getting some positives. Bill questioned if the 5th shot was out now. Discussion on the series of shots available. Question was asked if one could get the Covid booster and flu shot at the same time? Yes, but it is not recommended. One should let their immune system get use to one and then the other. Suggestion of 14 days between the two.

Medical Staff Appointment: Kayla Whitmore D.O. (new provider)

<u>Medical Staff Reappointment</u>: Adam Graham PA-C and William Wilshire - Podiatrist. All three come with recommendations for appointment/reappointment. Rick moved to appoint all three, Chris seconded. **Motion Passed**

5. Financials: September

- Investment Accounts: 1st Security \$212,973, US Bank 1.141 million, Merrill Lynch 1.083 million, Merrill Lynch CDs 2.494 million
- Revenue: hospital 554,008 clinic 48,941 net patient 590,488
- Expenses: \$633,869

- Operating loss of \$42,867 Net loss of \$121,360. Some of this is loss in investment accounts and legal expenses. The legal expenses will be reimbursed from insurance.
- Census: inpatient days 7, swing bed days 63, ERs 55, clinic visits 298
- Cash on hand 100
- AR days 70, this increase is attributed to the coding company, there was a lag in billing, trying to remedy.

<u>Investments: Target risk portfolio</u>: tabled from last month. The recommendation from the finance committee is to leave it as is and track it over the next months.

6. CEO Report:

New Facility Update: EA launched today in the paper; which has been a year in the making, jumping through the hoops. Have a 30-day comment period. We are in the final home stretch. Then it is in the fed's hands. They have the paperwork and are in tune with the progress. Rob doesn't anticipate anything coming up. Our understanding is that once we make it through the state office, it is easier when it gets to the federal level. A project manager has been chosen. He did the last USDA hospital in Livingston. He is currently doing 2 projects in Wyoming. Tony, Randall and Rob did the interviews. The requirement is one with hospital experience. 35% design complete, will review next week. Then we can go to bid with general contractors; to get on the schedule for summer. The pipeline can start after 30-day wait period.

Information Items:

November meeting is normally held before Thanksgiving at noon. It can be moved to the 7th of December. Everyone is good with Wednesday at noon and not having the December meeting.

Public Comment: none

Motion to adjourn at 4:12 p.m. by Chris, Rick seconded. Into executive session for Board training.