

Mountainview Medical Center
Board of Directors Meeting
March 25, 2020

Via phone:

Present: Bill Galt – Chair, Rick Seidlitz, Chris Schlepp, Otto Ohlson, Shane Sereday, Cherie Bailey

Rob Brandt – CEO, Tony Pfaff– Cypress Healthcare

1. Call to Order

Bill called the meeting to order at 4p.m

2. Minutes

Review of February minutes. Motion to accept as presented by Rick, Shane seconded.

Motion Passed.

3. DON/Quality Report

Staffing has not changed, still need a full-time night RN and a part-time to fill holes. We did not get the nurse we interviewed from last month. PPE training with staff was done prior to the ramp up of COVID19. We had an employee complete the MHA CNA certification course.

Other updates, they have activated the emergency operations plan for both MMC and the County. We were on the on the tail end of the flu so had completed a refresher on PPE training and had in place visitor restrictions. We are working close with county public health.

4. Medical Staff Report: will be later in the meeting

5. Financials ~ February

Financials were in the email sent out and the finance meeting was held. Questions, none. Rob added that the COVID19 may positively impact or take the opposite effect. We have seen a slowdown of clinic traffic to 50% or more and we have not had any swing bed days. It is unknown how it will impact us and will be watching it closely. Rob will send a mitigation plan as needed.

6. CEO Report

Medical Staff Reappointment: Scott Meissner PA-C come with a favorable recommendation. Reappointment is for 2 years. Shane moved, Rick seconded. **Motion Passed.**

State Reimbursement – COVID19 update: this is moving very rapidly. Rob has signed a MOU with the Lodge (man camp) to use as we see fit. It can house 12 people and is a unit that is completely separate from the one they have been using. This was very nice of them, and a very kind gesture.

Incident command is doing daily fact sheets and Rob is sending them out periodically with any major changes. We have continued with more restrictions; staff temperatures are being taken as of last week Friday for any employee in long term care; on a daily basis. To protect the long term care.

This afternoon at 2:15 we were notified that employee was exposed on Saturday to family member with a positive COVID19 test. Rob met with providers, clinic was closed, and greatest exposed employees were tested, as well as the employee. The employee test will be run to Helena by Dr. Brunsdon with high priority. The clinic is being deep cleaned and staff is to self-quarantine until we have the results. Outside of the providers, staff has not been to LTC side and no exposure is known at this point. We took action as soon as we knew. Test results should be back by tomorrow and clinic is closed until then. When we get the results we will move from there.

Dr. Brunsdon added hopefully we will have a 24 hour turn around, for sure by Friday. Need to observe the 6 feet rule and are internally trying to follow the measures as best we can. Trying to mitigate as best we can. If negative, employee will stay home for 2 weeks from exposure. Monitoring her symptoms. That would be the best case scenario. Discussion of guidelines for returning to work and a few other questions answered. Incubation period for COVID19 is 2-14 days. How long virus is shed is unknown. Can be asymptomatic. Not testing people without symptoms.

Every employee that was here today heard from Rob directly. Mental health visits were offered if needed. Trying to be open and transparent to protect as best we can.

Information Items: Reminder that we all need to be limiting our contact and shouldn't be going anywhere. Employees should greatly limit their contact that isn't work related. Asked to stay home and separate from those with health issues.

Public Comment: none

Motion to adjourn into executive session. Otto moved, seconded Rick at 4:19 p.m. Brief executive session held.