

A meeting of the McAlester Regional Health Center Authority was held at 04:00 PM, on Wednesday, March 05, 2025, at McAlester Regional Health Center in the Administration Board Room. Public notice, set forth there on the day, time, and place for this regular meeting was delivered to the office of the City Clerk at 12:55 PM on March 03, 2025.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Marti Fields ~ Johnny Zellmer, MD ~ Mary Shannon ~ Brent Grilliot ~ Christopher Beene, MD ~ James Bland ~ Sayer Brenner ~ Damon Mascoto

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

HOSPITAL STAFF: Julie Powell ~ Sonya Stone ~ Whitney Hull ~ Scott Yoder ~ Cheryl Perry ~ Chris Plunkett ~ Kayla Rovnak ~ Lucy Muller ~ Dr. Matthew Sims

OTHER ATTENDEES: John Titsworth ~ Karen Hendren ~ Randy Roden ~ Steve Bernard

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Beene called the meeting to order at 04:00 PM

Consent Agenda:

1. MRHCA Board of Trustees Minutes for February 05, 2025
2. February 2025 Agreement Log
3. Appointment of Marti Fields as Secretary of the MRHCA Board of Trustees replacing Susan Kanard.
4. Credentialing & Privileging Appointment List

A motion was made (Grilliot) and seconded (Fields) to approve items 1, 2, 3, & 4 of the Consent Agenda as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Brent Grilliot, Marti Fields, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Sayer Brenner, James Bland, Mary Shannon, Damon Mascoto, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the motion carried.

Consideration and discussion of Resolution to authorize the Interim CEO to execute the Hix Industries Inc. Construction Management Agreement for the Cancer Center construction project: Ms. Julie Powell reported the Resolution for the authority to perform, manage, and execute the Construction Management Agreement with the selected Construction Manager with Hix Industries, Inc. Hix Industries, Inc. was selected from a list of State registered Construction Managers and the amount will not exceed the CEO signature authority threshold of \$250K. The actual project will be broken down into three phases for the remodel, not the expansion. The first phase is for pre-construction not to exceed \$60K. Phase two and three will be components of the Guaranteed Maximum Pricing (GMP) that will be amendments to the agreement. The first GMP is for preliminary demolition at an approximate cost of \$98K and the second GMP will be for related activities required to be bid under title 61 of the Oklahoma Statute. The bids will come forward to the Board for approval as they become available. A motion was made (Fields) and seconded (Grilliot) to approve the Resolution authorizing the Interim CEO to execute and manage the Hix Industries Inc. Construction Management Agreement for the Cancer Center construction project as presented. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Marti Fields, Brent Grilliot, James Bland, Damon Mascoto, Sayer Brenner, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Mary Shannon, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the motion carried.

Consideration and discussion of January 2025 Financial Reports: Ms. Cheryl Perry provided an overview of the January 2025 Financial Reports. She reviewed the Income Statement, Month to Date Actuals, Net Revenue, Expenses, and the AR Vendor Report. A motion was made (Bland) and seconded (Brenner) to approve the January 2025 Finance Reports as presented. The vote was taken as follows: James Bland, Sayer Brenner, Mary Shannon, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Marti Fields, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the motion carried.

Board QI Committee Report: Tabled

Chief of Staff Report: Dr. Matthew Sims reported the Hospital recently partnered with OU Cardiology for Telehealth Services which will be up and running soon. He stated last month alone there were approximately 50 cardiac-related transfers. Providers will be more comfortable having the Telehealth Service available allowing Providers to retain more patients and

avoid transfer. He expressed his excitement about the Service stating that patients will be able to stay local. He reported that the Telehealth providers are currently working through their credentialing process and will begin as soon as all the regulatory requirements are complete. Dr. Sims reported that the Hospital has a new 24/7 Radiology Group that will begin on April 7, 2025. This service is expected to bring expedited service and quicker test results. Dr. Sims reported that Dr. Caleb Harris will be leaving the Hospital for personal reasons. Dr. Sims shared an update on recent staff safety issues in the ER. Discussion occurred regarding the details of the events and safety measures that were implemented as a result.

CEO Report: Ms. Julie Powell provided a brief overview of the CEO report included in the meeting packet. She reported the Belfair Purchase Service Agreement was signed between the seller and buyer and negotiations are underway for the Operation Transfer Agreement. The closing is targeted for the end of March or first of April. Ms. Powell stated that her team is paying close attention to the political activities involving Medicaid Expansion and how it will affect Hospitals in the future. She reported the American Hospital Association and Oklahoma Hospital Association are lobbying on behalf of Oklahoma Hospitals regarding this issue. Ms. Powell stated she will bring an update to the Board as it becomes available.

Executive Session (25 O.S. § 307(C)) ~ Discussion and Potential Action ~ Christopher Beene, Chairman

A **motion** was made in public session at 4:32 PM by (Brenner) and seconded by (Zellmer) to enter Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Sayer Brenner, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Brent Grilliot, James Bland, Damon Mascoto, Marti Fields, Mary Shannon, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Executive Session (25 O.S. § 307(C)) ~ Discussion and Potential Action ~ Christopher Beene, Chairman

Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(C)(11): "All nonprofit foundations, boards, bureaus, commissions, agencies, trusteeships, authorities, councils, committees, public trusts, task forces or study groups supported in whole or part by public funds or entrusted with the expenditure of public funds for purposes of conferring on matters pertaining to economic development, including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice a business to remain or to locate within their jurisdiction if public disclosure of the matter discussed would interfere with the development of products or services or if public disclosure would violate the confidentiality of the business."

- Discuss financial forecasts and strategic planning related to the core healthcare services provided by MRHCA.

A **motion** was made at 06:10 PM by (Bland) and seconded by (Mascoto) to come out of the Executive Session. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: James Bland, Damon Mascoto, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Sayer Brenner, Marti Fields, Mary Shannon, Brent Grilliot, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

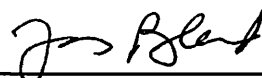
Proposed vote to approve or disapprove any action regarding the financial forecasts and strategic planning related to the core healthcare services provided by MRHCA:

ACTION: A motion was made (Brenner) and seconded (Fields) to empower Julie Powell to negotiate with Deloitte Transactions and Business Analytics, LLP, a consulting firm, as per their proposal. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Sayer Brenner, Marti Fields, Mary Shannon, Johnny Zellmer, MD, Damon Mascoto, Brent Grilliot, James Bland, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.

Adjournment: A **motion** was made (Brenner) and seconded (Zellmer) to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 PM. The vote was taken as follows: Aye: Sayer Brenner, Johnny Zellmer, MD, James Bland, Brent Grilliot, Damon Mascoto, Marti Fields, Mary Shannon, and Christopher Beene, MD. Nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Chairman Beene declared the **motion** carried.



Christopher Beene, MD ~ Chairman
/sds



James Bland ~ Vice-Chairman