# LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL **BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES** November 28, 2012

Present:

Allen Belot Chuck Heath Mike Wildgen

Joe Flannery Jane Blocher Gina Pacumbaba-Watson

Cindy Yulich

Gene Meyer Karen Shumate

Joe Pedley

Sheryle D'Amico Dana Hale

Carolyn Bowmer Janice Early Andy Ramirez

Charles Yockey, M.D.

Sherri Vaughn, M.D.

Jane Maskus

Others present: Audrey Bishop, Associate Vice President, Physician Division; Chad Lawhorn, The World Company; Elaine Swisher, Clinical Coordinator, Emergency Department; Susan Thomas, Director, Compliance Management; Michelle Dreiling, Admin.

Absent: Rob Chestnut, Lee Reussner, M.D., Kathy Clausing-Willis

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chairperson Allen Belot.

#### Introductions

Cindy Yulich was appointed to the LMH Board of Trustees on October 16<sup>th</sup> and was introduced and welcomed.

## Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was presented for review and accepted with no changes.

APPROVED: Motion made by Chuck Heath, seconded by Gina Pacumbaba-Watson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

# Consent Agenda

- a) Board of Trustee Minutes, October 17, 2012
- b) Planning Committee Report, November 20, 2012
- c) Community Relations Committee Report, November 6, 2012
- d) Human Resources Committee Report, October 29, 2012

APPROVED: Motion made by Chuck Heath, seconded by Jane Blocher to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

#### **Facilities Committee Report**

Gina Pacumbaba-Watson presented the minutes from the November 7, 2012 Facilities Committee meeting. The group discussed the ambulance building located on hospital grounds and made the recommendation that purchase of the building be pursued. Very positive feedback has been received regarding the newly added parking spaces as well as the renovated Two North Unit. Todd Koch, Director of Facilities, was commended for keeping the budget variance low despite some unexpected remediation activities that had to take place on some of the older areas of the hospital.

# Finance Committee Minutes, Financials

Chuck Heath presented minutes from the November 19, 2012 Finance Committee meeting as well as the October, 2012 Financials. The 2013 Operating Budget was also presented.

APPROVED: Motion made by Chuck Heath and seconded by Joe Flannery to approve the September, 2012 Financials and the 2012 Operating Budget. Motion carried.

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## **Medical Executive Committee Recommendations**

Dr. Charles Yockey reviewed the Credentials recommendations from the Medical Executive Committee for Board approval:

## Allied Health Professional - New Appointments:

Erin Meyer, P.A. – (Allied Health Professional; sponsor: OrthoKansas, P.A.) Initial appointment period to extend from 11/28/12 to 7/1/14.

## Conclusion of Provisional through Focused Evaluation:

Caleb Trent, M.D. – (initial appointment)

Rebekah Johnston, P.A. – (initial appointment)

Sarah Gerner, R.N. – (initial appointment)

## Privilege and/or Status Changes and Resignations:

Traci Cuevas, M.D. – (Active; Internal Medicine/Hospitalist) Resignation effective 10/12/12.

C. David Rios, M.D. – (Active Admitting; Internal Medicine/Cardiology) Resignation effective 11/24/12.

MOTION: made by Mike Wildgen, seconded by Joe Flannery to approve the Credentials Recommendations as presented. Motion carried.

#### **CEO Comments**

Gene Meyer announced that Ron Fay, RN, BSN, an IV Therapist at LMH, recently received the Heart of Healthcare Award for assisting nursing students pass their state board exams.

Mr. Meyer thanked all who were able to attend the rededication of the Cindy Murray Family Birthing Center and for recognizing the contributions of the Murray family. He noted that there were approximately 400 people in attendance.

Mr. Meyer also announced that Lawrence Memorial Hospital was awarded an "A" letter grade for patient safety by the Leapfrog Group. The grades are based on a hospital's scores on 26 safety measures. The only two other hospitals in Kansas to receive an A score were in Independence and Manhattan.

The Hospital recently participated in a tabletop emergency preparedness drill that focused on an "active shooter" scenario.

## Healthcare Reform Readiness

It's November! – Now that the election is behind us we should have more clarity as to the direction of Health Care Reform. With regard to insurance exchanges, however, it is still unclear as to whether Kansas will have its own exchange or if it will participate in a federally-sponsored exchange. It is important for the public to understand that the commercial plans that are chosen must include LMH.

#### **Old Business**

- a) Wellness Concept Karen Shumate, Chief Operating Officer, presented questions to consider with regard to participation by the Hospital in the City's proposed recreation center. No action was requested today and the Board will continue to evaluate this issue.
- b) Physician Recruitment Dr. Sherri Vaughn, Vice President of Medical Affairs, updated the Board on the considerable amount of recruiting activity that has recently taken place. We have extended offers to two cardiologists as well as one psychiatrist. In addition, a general surgeon who is interested in practicing in Lawrence is scheduled to return to LMH for a second interview. We are continuing our recruiting efforts in the areas of obstetrics and gynecology for the Lawrence OB/GYN Specialists and family practice for the Baldwin City Clinic.

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c) Strategic Focus Document – Mr. Meyer presented a document summarizing three areas of strategic focus for 2013. The document was generated based on the Board's discussion at their strategic retreat in August. The Trustees agreed on these three focus areas: access to care, alignment, and operational performance.

#### **New Business**

- a) Annual Board Education Polling the availability of members for the annual educational conference indicated that April 7-10, 2013 is the best choice. The Trustees present support this date.
- b) Trauma Designation Dana Hale, Vice President of Nursing, introduced Elaine Swisher, Clinical Coordinator for the Emergency Department, who presented information on trauma designations and a proposal for Lawrence Memorial Hospital to seek a Level IV Trauma Designation in 2013 through the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. The process to obtain the initial designation will take approximately one year and the goal will be to eventually obtain a Level III Designation through the American College of Surgeons.

MOTION: made by Chuck Heath, seconded by Jane Blocher to approve the proposal for Lawrence Memorial Hospital to seek Level IV Trauma Designation. Motion carried.

## **Informational**

- a) Medical Staff Holiday Party The Medical Staff Holiday Party will take place December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Oread.
- b) LMH Medical Staff Men's Chorus The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Vespers Concert at the First United Methodist Church on December 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. will feature a performance by the new LMH Medical Staff Men's Chorus.

# **Executive Session**

MOTION: made by Chuck Heath, seconded by Joe Flannery that the Board of Trustees recess to Executive Session for consultation with the hospital attorney which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, to include the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief of the Medical Staff and Director of Community Relations. The open meeting is to resume in this room at 10:15 a.m. Motion carried.

MOTION: made and seconded that the Board extend the Executive Session to 10:30 a.m. Motion carried.

Thereafter, the open meeting resumed.

# **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jane Blocher, Secretary