

# **Big Sandy Medical Center (BSMC) Board of Directors Meeting**

## **April 17, 2025**

### **Present:**

Current Board Members: Anna Bold - Chair, Amber Terry-Vice Chair (via zoom), Dr. Karen Baumann-Secretary, Ann Quinn,

Cypress Healthcare: Rob Brant, Tony Pfaff, Ron Wiens, CEO  
Employees: Sarah Schlepp: Finance, Karma Hale: HR,  
Jessica Ophus: Education

Chairperson Anna Bold called the meeting to order at 5:30pm (Quorum present)

The March minutes were read and approved with corrections.

### **Financial Report:**

Sarah reviewed the financial reports and census numbers. Net income for the month of March was \$84082.00. Resulting in a YTD loss of \$(39978.00).

- March statistics: Hospital Inpatient: 7, Long-term Care: 558, Skilled acute: 75, Laboratory: 164, Xray: 24, Physical Therapy: 34 with 480 modalities, Nursing Services: 26, Clinic: 267, Chiropractic: 34, ER visits: 22

990 was reviewed, discussion was had, and approved.

Ann Quinn moved and Karen Baumann seconded a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Motion carried.

### **DON Report:**

Jessica reported. Currently we have 19 long term residents 3 swing bed 0 inpatient. Currently we have a large waiting list for our LTC. Current traveling staff 1 CNA and 2 RN. Currently we have 1 full time RN position open. Current staff is 3 per-diem RN (1 full time, 2 part time), 9 full time CNA's, 2 full time per-diem CNA.

### **Staff Education Report:**

Jessica reported. Currently we are focusing on staff and leadership training. There has been a new education tracking system implemented allowing us to monitor education closer.

**Medical Staff:** No medical staff report presented

### **QAPI Report:**

QAPI report prepared by Zoe Obert was given to board members for their review.

### **HR Report:**

Karma reported. Recent hires are a part time Clinic Care Coordinator, full time Transition Care Coordinator, 1 fulltime housekeeper. Current open positions are fulltime Dietary Aide/Cook, Full time Housekeeper Supervisor, 1 part time Housekeeper, 1 full time night shift RN, 1 full time night shift C.N.A, Full time Director of Finance and a full-time clinic receptionist.  
Currently we have 42- FTE's and 11- Per-diem employees.

**Lab:**

Dave reported that some of the lab equipment has issues with power outages. The machines blows the fuses. They are working on getting the correct fuse tester and extra fuses. Lab week is April 20-26. Dave will be hosting a BBQ. Board members were invited to come. ELR is now state compliant. Lab did 7038 tests on 1330 patients in 2024.

**Approval of By-laws:**

By-laws have been reviewed and completed. Amber made a motion to approve by-laws excluding 2 sections. Karen seconded. Motion carries.

Tony and Rob presented the Yellowstone HVN Presentation:

Currently 23 hospitals have joined. Amber made a motion to join. Karen seconded. Motion carried.

CEO Report presented by Ron Wiens:

Legislative update. The State legislators are on the home stretch. Federally there are concerns of potential funding cuts that could affect Medicaid expansion.

Project update:

Currently focusing on sprucing up the inside and outside of hospital. Trying to get completed by hospital week but will for sure be completed for homecoming. Discussed the landscaping for the clinic.

C-T addition will start before homecoming. The project will be split up for faster state approval. Will start with the pad first and then do the building.

The need for hospital signs and signs giving directions and services.

**Old Business:**

Ron mentioned the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) in regards to improving stormwater drainage around the hospital and clinic. Currently looking for grants to help fix some of the issues.

**New Business:**

Facility planning: Replacement vs Expansion. Ron asked that an assessment be completed of a cost estimate for building a replacement facility using MFFA grant funds. He provided a Resolution for approval. Ann made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Amber seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

none

Next Board Meeting: May 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30

Meeting Adjourned 7:30

Board held an executive session.



Anna Bold- Chairman



~~Amber Terry- Vice Chairman~~

Ann Quinn- secretary