Date: November 19, 2014

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Location: Mayers Memorial Hospital

Fall River Mills, California

(These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcription of the proceedings and discussions associated with the business of the board’s agenda; rather, what follows is a summary of the order of business and general nature of testimony, deliberations and action taken.)

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| **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** President Allen Albaugh called the regular meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. on the above date with the following present:  Allen Albaugh, President  Brenda Brubaker, Vice President  Mike Kerns, Secretary  Abe Hathaway, Treasurer  **Board Members Absent:** Art Whitney, Director  **Staff Present:** Matt Rees, CEO; Valerie Lakey, Board Clerk; Travis Lakey, CFO; Louis Ward, Director of Support Services; Sherry Wilson, CNO; Caleb Johnson, Chief Compliance Officer; Theresa Overton, Kathy Broadway, Holly Green, Dr. Weinhold |
| 2. CALL FOR REQUEST FROM AUDIENCE TO SPEAK TO ISSUES OR AGENDA ITEMS: None |
| **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –*****A motion/second (Kerns/Brubaker), and carried, the Board of Directors accepted the minutes for the regular meeting – October 29, 2014 - Approved All*** |
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| **4. OPERATIONS REPORT:**  ***In addition to the written operations report included in the board packet, the following verbal reports and discussions are summarized below:***   * ***Matt Rees, CEO:***   Went to Sacramento on November 18 for a CCHAN about CCO project (Community Care Organization) This is the tool to help us become self-funded. We will be able to possibly help other community businesses with insurance in the future.  Rees handed out some information on the 1206B Clinics   * ***Keith Earnest, CCO:*** Absent - at the Hospice conference   Still working on potential cuts in ancillary service areas.   * ***Sherry Wilson, CNO:***   Census at 75  Registry usage – have 6 CNA’s going through orientation – should be ready in 3 weeks.  Two LVN’s graduating in December – will work as CNA’s until they get LVN license.  Things should be looking better by December. Brubaker asked about retention of CNA’s and the possibility of a signing bonus after they complete 90 days for a 2 year commitment.  Wilson said she called the state regarding waiver for CNA classes; we won’t be able to run our own CNA class until June 2015. If we send documentation they will allow us to be a clinical site for a school (hopefully Feather River) to provide the classes until then.  There has been a drug issue – we have been testing employees.  Turnover is a part of the CNA position  Bob May has been here for about a week as the manager of the Ambulance Department. Wilson said she thinks things are going well so far.   * ***EMR – Louis Ward, Director of Support Services***   Ward expressed concerns with patient portal – he said they are trying to hear the concerns of the physicians. Information is sent to the portal 36 hours after discharge; concern is regarding abnormal results and patients finding out before physicians have a chance to talk to patient. We are currently working with MVHC to address the concerns, while trying to meet requirements of meaningful use. We are looking at a way to flag results. By doing this we are outside of the requirements of meaningful use. Ward noted that there are some reviews being done on some of the meaningful use requirements.   * ***Caleb Johnson, Chief Compliance Officer***   Tracking Medi-cal Medicare on both sides (Acute/SNF) Albaugh asked for it to be separated. Johnson will look into it and try to format the report that way.  There was discussion on charges, capturing costs and revenue cycle meetings. Talked about Outpatient Medical services. There have been a lot of process improvements.  Numbers are still not encouraging. Old accounts are the problem – traditional medi-cal and private pay and self pay after insurance.  Albaugh said the same thing has been going on for years.  Hathaway would like to see true revenue – what can actually be collected. |
| **5. BOARD COMMITTEES:**  **5.1 Finance Committee**  **5.1.1** No Committee Meeting  **5.1.2** **October 2014 Financials** – ***Approved All(Kerns/Hathaway)***  **5.1.3** **USDA Loan Update** – We haven’t heard anything – the federal office is being contacted weekly. We need a plan going forward – in case they don’t accept our current plan. Albaugh would like to have this discussion at the next board meeting.  **5.1.4** **Board Quarterly Finance Review** – We are currently behind 2 months on CalPers ($320,000) T. Lakey is talking with them weekly. Quarterly Reviewed ***Approved All (Kerns/Brubaker)***   * Rates have been increased from Partnership – Inpatient rate effective November 1st * We will be able to do Medi-Cal Swing Beds * Working on setting up a meeting with the department of insurance. * Medicare rates will go up for swing and acute.   Albaugh asked where are we with companies we are behind on? CalPers, EmCare. T.Lakey said we are waiting on credit line. We are 3 months behind on EMR and on support hold from McKesson  We have done furloughs and cuts – things are tight. Good chance there will be more cuts.  **5.2 Strategic Planning Committee – Chair Abe Hathaway**  **5.1.1** No committee meeting  **5.3 Quality Committee – Chair Brenda Brubaker**  **5.3.1** Committee Meeting Report (minutes as distributed)  Brubaker said the highlight was the Outpatient Department report and that there were no reportable Workers Comp incidents since May  **5.3.2** CAH Annual Evaluation – Will approve at December meeting |
| **6. NEW BUSINESS**  **6.1 Trustee Appointment –** Met and interviewed 6 people. By a motion from Trustee Kerns, it was recommended to appoint ***Beatriz Vasquez*** to the Board of Trustees. **(Kerns/Brubaker) – *Approved All.*** Board Clerk will forward information to Shasta County Board of Supervisors.  **6.2 December Meeting Date – Change to December 18th – 2:00 pm *(Brubaker/Kerns) – Approved All***  **6.3 Ad Hoc Committee - Nomination of Officers and Committees–** Mike Kerns and Abe Hathaway were appointed by chairman Albaugh  **6.4 1206 B Clinic Resolution 2014-7– (Exhibit A)** Rees had sample legal documents that were used for Bishop. Rees reviewed the 1206B and logic behind opening this type of clinic. A Rural Health clinic would be in direct competition with MVHC and more costly. A 1206B Clinic would be the least cost and the easiest to get started. It would work well with MVHC in the way clinics are reimbursed. (MMHD – commercial; MVHC – medi-cal/medi-care). We lose 48 cents on the dollar for what we bill for medi-cal. We are 1 of 2 of the 34 CAH’s that don’t have a clinic.  Resolution 2014-7 to approve the creation of a Budget to encompass the FY 15 and FY 16 1206(b) program.  **(Albaugh/Brubaker) *Approved All***  **6.5 OB**  Dr. Weinhold spoke regarding the issue of potentially closing the OB Department. She noted that she just had a delivery with a patient from Weaverville. As far as the numbers presented. She said, “One year is not a trend.”  Holly Green, OB Manager also spoke about the department.  There was a lot of discussion regarding the cost effectiveness of the department. There are many factors.   * CRNA costs need to go down * Hopefully there are some other solutions we can explore * Rees – breakeven point would be the low 100’s. He spoke with Kevin Kramer at Modoc and he wants someone (Physician to see OB patients) to come up and operate out of his clinic. * Rees will talk to Dave Jones about the possibility of physicians going to Modoc. * Canby has 20 patients they would send at 36 weeks. * Dr. Weinhold brings in significant revenue and we would lose that if she leaves. * Albaugh said he doesn’t want to see department close, but we have to look at the data. * Rees said we need to research more on anesthesia – that would get rid of a large portion of the cost. Also, a priority to get Canby here and someone at the Modoc clinic. * Holly will check into what happened at Colusa (2009) with CRNA costs   Table until December – hopefully will have some good numbers then. Brubaker asked about Midwifes. Green recently did a presentation at Strategic Planning. V. Lakey will send the slide presentation  **6.6 Ambulance**  Louis Ward met with Bob May. We are looking at purchasing a demo ambulance – same as a new vehicle. We could have by January as opposed to June. May wants to go look at ambulance to make sure it is what is being represented. It is located in Denver.  We have over $100,000 – plus another donation coming.  It was moved to approve up to $140,000 for the purchase of an ambulance with the use of no operating funds. ***(Albaugh/Brubaker) Approved All*** |
| **7. information/board education/announcements**   * Board Education – QHR Webinar 2nd Tuesday **each month, 10 a.m. PST** * **Board Assessments –report will be available in December** |
| **8. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION**: 3:10 pm  **8.1** OCtober 29, 2014 CLOSEd session minutes |
| **9. Reconvene open session: 3:29 pm - Report actions taken during Closed Session** |
| **10. Adjournment:** There being no further business, at the hour of 3:29 p.m., President Albaugh declared the meeting adjourned. |