A regular meeting of the North Wheeler County Hospital District Board was held at the hospital at 6 p.m. on September 18, 2023.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pam Hibler, Chairman

Janie VanZandt, Secretary Ken Daughtery, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Marla Ford, Vice-Chairman

Zane Zybach, Member

OTHERS PRESENT:

Cecil Gaither, CEO; Jace Henderson, CFO; Mandy Meadows, DON; Skye Lane,

**EMS** 

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER: Pam Hibler, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a prayer offered by Jace Henderson.

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Minutes of the Previous Meeting: August 21, 2023
- b. Payment of bills
- c. **Investments** -Currently, there is one CD at Happy State Bank and one at Wellington State Bank totaling \$1,140,355.13.
- d. QAPI
- e. Date of next meeting: October 16, 2023,
  Ken Daughtery made a motion to accept the items on the Consent Agenda. Janie
  VanZandt seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.
- 3. EMS REPORT: Skye Lane reported that the suburban is fixed, and Medic 3 is now at Ware's due to serious issues with the rear end. Skye will start accepting bids to sell the suburban. The NWCEMS team continues to train in-house and online. The quarterly case review was a great success. They will attend extrication training with the Mobeetie Fire Department on September 26<sup>th</sup>. The team will have a booth with a game for kids at the National Night Out on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Skye has hired a PRN Basic and PRN medic. They responded to twenty-seven calls during September.

## 4. CNO REPORT:

- a. **Nurse Staffing:** Mandy Meadows stated that she lost five staff members due to wages. After a lengthy discussion of the budget and expenses, Ken Daughtery made a motion to table it until October. Janie VanZandt seconded the motion; vote was unanimous.
- **5. FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND STATISTICS:** Cecil and the board reviewed the balance sheet and the operating/income statement with the board. Questions were asked by the board.
  - a. Palo Duro G&P Suit Update No update. Waiting to hear from the lawyer.
  - b. Audit The field work is done.
  - c. **Optimization update** Thrive brought a different team into the Parkview Hospital. There was more useful training, and things are getting better.
- 6. APPROVE BAD DEBT No report.
- 7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. First Responders Agreement We are waiting to hear from our lawyer.
- **b. Dr. Paul Elangwe payments** He made no payments in July or August. However, he is putting a check in the mail for \$15,000 for July, August, and September.
- **c. Physician recruitment -** Dr. Edrissi has agreed to move to Wheeler in August 2024, to begin working for Parkview Hospital. He will sign a three-year contract. There will be no sign-on bonus.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS:

- **a. Market Street Update** This program has been very positive and seems to be working well. The clinic personnel are very pleased.
- **b.** Security System Using a CIP Grant, there are now security cameras on ever exit, and it is working great. There are monitors at both nurses' stations so they can view the camera images.
- **c. TORCH meeting** Cecil will be attending the meeting September 24-28.
- **d. Christmas Party 12/07/2023** The hospital Christmas party will be held on December7 at 6 pm at the AgriLife Building. EMS, Maintenance, Medical Records, and the Business Office will be in charge.

## 9. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be on Monday, October 16, 2023, at 6 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Hibler, Chairman

Janie VanZandt, Secretary