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***Mission Statement: Hospital District #6 provides high quality, patient, and family centered health and wellness services in partnership with our communities.***

**HD#6 HOSPITAL BOARD REGULAR MEETING  
August 22, 2024 – 5:15 p.m. – Patterson Health Center, Large Conference Room**

**PRESENT:**

**Board of Directors** – Jan Lanie, Amy Walker, Tim Penner, Stan Wedman, Pam Fallis, Kara Bello, and Kristen Stoughton.

**PHC** – Sarah Teaff, CEO; Lori Allen, COO; Sandra Owen, CFO; Amber Speer, Infection Control & Quality; Jonathan Kolarik, Risk Management; Robert Ritter, IT Director.

**Guests** – Cheryl Moon, Delores Seifert.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Lanie called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**BOARD EDUCATION or PRESENTATIONS:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of the July 25, 2024, regular board meeting was presented for approval. Motion to approve by Wedman; seconded by Lanie to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes of the August 5, 2024, special board meeting was presented for approval. Motion to approve by Wedman; seconded by Lanie to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS, POLICY REVIEW & APPROVAL:**

- Behavioral Health Consent to Treatment
  - Motion to approve based on Medical Staff approval on 8/28/2024 made by Bello; seconded by Stoughton.
- Amber Speer
  - Covid is back in season. We are going to continue with CDC guidelines. Amber is still getting free COVID test from the state.

**MEDICAL STAFF AND CREDENTIALING REPORT:** none.

**OPERATIONS REPORT:**

**COO:**

- Employee and board health fair is October 22-23 6am-9am. Employees and board members are free; spouses have a fee. The public health fair is October 28-31, 6:30am – 10:30am. The health foundation is paying for those patients that are 65 and above for the public health fair.
- Employee blood drive on September 13<sup>th</sup> 9am-3:30pm.

#### **CEO:**

- Dialysis update: we have added our second patient. We have also added our third machine to the department. Lisa has a waiting list of 8 patients that need to be added.
  - There are a couple of patients who are uninsured and undocumented. This poses a difficult situation for Patterson as we cannot afford to take these patients on pro bono. We have reached out to some sources to see what can be done to help those in these situations.
- Heritage estates have 3 apartments open, will have 4 apartments open at the end of the month. There was an open house during the county fair to show the apartments to potential residents. Maintenance has done a great job of renovating and updating the apartments.
- There was another hospitalist interview this week. She is a great candidate and had the approval to move forward from physicians. Once there is an acceptance from a second hospitalist we will discontinue our contract with access telemedicine. The plan is to have 2 full time with the schedule being 7 on 7 off, as well as potentially 2 PRNs.
- Ave had some conversations with the ED providers who would like to cut back on time a little. We are looking into adding onto our ED staff. At the very initial stages but are looking at resumes and starting the process.
- Jonathan has started to get a little hands-on support with the behavioral health department. He is helping with policies and procedures and forms that may need done in the department.
- Thank you to the foundation: Audry Schule was accepted into the LPN program, and Bayle Write got accepted into the RN program. They are being helped with funding from the foundation.
- Governance education that was added to the board packet. Sarah would like the board to look at it and to see if we would like to bring them for board education in the future.

#### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:**

Owen reported on the July 2024 Financials. July's activity in cash accounts was reviewed, that included payments received and expenses paid out. Revenue included 4th Quarter DSH payment, Provider Assessment Payments and SHIP Milestone reimbursements. Payments received from insurance and patients were \$1,790,043.19. July included two payrolls paid. Days Cash on Hand remain strong at 179 days. Patient Accounts Receivable decreased with a total AR balance of \$2,750,473.00 and AR Days at 27. Gross Patient Revenue for July was \$1,871,008. YTD Gross Patient Revenue shows a YTD increase of \$338,164 or 2.45% compared to July 2023. Total Operating Revenue has a YTD increase of \$860,120 or 7.02% over July 2023. Total Operating Expenses increased for the month with total expenses of \$2,246,315; YTD shows an overall decrease in expenses of 4.85% or \$704,524.00 compared to July 2023. A Net Loss of \$243,869 was reported for the month of July with a YTD Loss of \$1,279,785. A reminder that depreciation expense is recorded monthly on the income statement as a cost of assets but is considered a non-cash expense. The majority of the depreciation expense continues to relate to the new facility and equipment which positively impacts the Medicare Cost Report on the calculation of our Medicare reimbursement rates. YTD Depreciation expense of \$1,765,076 is included in the 2024 YTD Profit and Loss Statement.

Accounts payable for July were \$1,785,739.69. Motion by Walker seconded by Penner to approve accounts payable. Motion carried unanimously

**HARPER COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION (HCHF):**

- Golf tournament- approximately \$16,500. Is waiting to see how it compares to previous years.
- Have agreed to cover the mammograms that Patterson does for mammo week.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 6:20 p.m. members entered executive session until 6:40p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion made by Penner; seconded by Bello. Motion carried unanimously. The session was extended to 6:50pm. Motion made by Walker; seconded by Wedman. Motion carried unanimously. The open session resumed at 6:50p.m.

Motion to approve the improved IT security up to \$60 thousand by Bello; seconded by Walker. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned to 6:53pm. Motion made by Wedman; seconded by Lanie. Motion carried unanimously.

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Kara Bello, Secretary

Approved by the Board \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)