

## Minneola Healthcare

### Regular Monthly Meeting, Board of Trustees

May 21, 2025

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Gail Norton, Board Chair. Trustees present include Denny Denton, Dianne Sheetz, and Jen Denison. Bill Baker was absent. Others present were Debbie Bruner, CEO; Jodi Miller, CNO; Hope Williams, Contoller; Jalin Johnson, COO; Laura Shenk, Director of Ancillary Services; Chris Ellis, Surgery Manager; Linda Jensen, Quality Manager; Ashley Boyd, Executive Director LTC; and Paul Baumert (Lutz) via Teams.

Approval of Agenda: Bruner requested the removal of Board Education Plan from the agenda. Denison moved to approve the agenda with requested revision; Sheetz seconded. Motion carried.

Conflict of Interest: Norton asked if anyone had a conflict of interest. None reported.

Review of Minutes: Minutes of the April 23, 2025, meeting were presented for review and approval. Following review, Denison made the motion to approve the minutes as presented; Denton seconded. Motion carried.

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Board Tax Account: Williams reported activity in the Board tax account, ending with a balance of \$371,467.85. Williams requested \$100,000 be transferred from the Board Tax Account and transferred to the General Account for operations. Following discussion, Denison made the motion to approve the transfer of funds; Sheetz seconded. Motion carried.

Statistics: Williams reviewed updated statistics for the hospital, clinics, and LTC.

Financials: The April 2025 financials were presented for review and discussion. Baumert reporting the following: 1) Estimated cost report payable has increased to \$302,000.00 through the end of April due to decreased utilization. 2) Salaries have remained consistent. 3) Supply expenses are down in line with reduced utilization. 4) MHC has a reported loss of \$69,000.00 for the month. 5) YTD MHC shows a total margin of \$68,000.00 (1%) compared to a 2024 YTD loss of \$85,000.00. 6) Days in net AR are 52. Baumert also reviewed financials for LTC noting a YTD loss of \$296,000.00.

AR Reports: Williams reviewed the AR report for April.

Top AP Vendors: Williams presented a listing of the top Accounts Payable vendors.

Check Register: The check registers for April were presented for review and approval. Checks numbered 73819 through 74134 (including 6 ACH payments and 1 wire) totaling \$1,152,846.00 and checks numbered 366 through 373 totaling \$6,562.47 were submitted. Denison made the motion to approve the check register as presented; Sheetz seconded. Motion carried.

USDA Financial Covenants: The Board reviewed the USDA financial covenants with no changes noted. Bruner did report MHC transferred 15,000.00 from the USDA account to the general account for AP.

**BOARD/STAFF INTERACTION:** No one was present for discussion items.

**QUALITY & PATIENT SAFETY:**

PFAC Report: Sheetz informed the Board that the last PFAC meeting had minimal attendance. The group did discuss HCAHPS, food bank, and approved the Social Determinants of Health survey that will be given to patient upon discharge from the Hospital. She also noted PFAC will not be meeting in June or July.

Quality Report: Jensen shared graphs demonstrating the significant improvement in processes of care performance related to STEMI, stroke, and sepsis. Jensen also reported MHC will be initiating the KCIC diabetes initiative this week. Sherk reported that MHC has also been participating in meetings and performance improvement work related to maternal health initiatives.

LTC KDADS Survey: Boyd reviewed the results of LTCs annual KDADS survey.

HCAHPS Report: Sherk review the results of both the ER and Inpatient HCAHPS survey.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Olympus Scopes: Chris Ellis presented a proposal to purchase new scopes to replace MHCs four current scopes which have reached end of life and are no longer able to be repaired in a cost-effective manner. The cost to replace the scopes with four 190 series scopes is \$87,600.00 or we can enter into a 36-month lease for \$2801.28 per months. The Board questioned whether there was a difference in the service agreement with an outright purchase compared to the leasing option. Ellis was not able to comment but will explore. Denison made the motion to authorize Administration to proceed with the best financial option after understanding if there is a difference in the service agreement; Denton seconded. Motion carried.

IT Strategic Plan: Johnson shared the 2-year IT Strategic Plan with the Board. Johnson noted that the work related to the Disaster Recovery Plan is well underway.

Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Congressional Letters: At the request of Norton, Bruner provided copies of letter sent to Sen. Moran, Sen. Marshall, and Rep. Tracy Mann regarding the importance of the 340B program, site neutral payments, and Medicaid to MHC and hospitals across the State of Kansas.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

ER Expansion Update: Johnson reported that the construction costs have increased to \$610,000.00 since his last report due to increases in the cost of concrete and steel. To offset the increase, MHC will submit a revised budget to HRSA that will remove some equipment that was planned for purchase.

EMS Update: Johnson reported at the County Commissioner's meeting, he did request the decontamination trailer be stationed in Minneola while the gas company was doing work at the plant north of Minneola. MHC received notice from the gas company informing us of what they would be doing, as well as the potential hazards associated with the work. The Emergency Manager informed Johnson that because clean-up at the site was already underway and the need to keep the decontamination trailer located in Ashland and available to all Clark County residents, the Emergency Manager would not be able to fulfill the request.

aVel eCare Update: Johnson reported that aVel eCare is fully operational and is working well thus far.

Ni2 Report: Johnson reported that Ni2 initiatives continue to have a positive financial benefit for MHC with a positive cumulative net benefit of \$486,007.12 since September 2024.

#### **REPORTS:**

Credentialing: There following credential files were presented for review and approval: Lauren Amy, PA-C, New appointment with Allied Health Status and Physician Assistant privileges; Kasey Moss, D.O., Tele-behavioral Health with Psychiatry privileges; as well as the attached list of Inspire Radiology providers (credentialing by proxy per Agreement) with Radiology privileges. Following review and discussion, Denison made the motion to approve the credential files as recommended by the Medical Staff; Denton seconded. Motion carried.

Medical Staff Minutes: The April 2025 Medical Staff minutes were submitted for review. The minutes were accepted as presented.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Williams requested the Board enter into Executive Session for ten minutes to discuss Bad Debt. Miller, Boyd, Ellis, and Shenk were excused from the meeting. Sheetz made the motion to enter Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. for ten minutes; Denison seconded. Regular session resumed at 8:11 p.m. Following additional discussion, Denison made the motion to approve Bad Debt in the amount of \$118,780.78; Denton seconded. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Denison moved to adjourn at 8:13 p.m.; Sheetz seconded. Motion carried.



Debbie Bruner, Recorder



Bill Baker, Secretary/Treasurer