

North Sunflower Medical Center
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
27 September 2017

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Chairman and the Board of Trustees of North Sunflower Medical Center, Ruleville, Sunflower County, Mississippi, met in their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, 27 September 2017, when and where the following were present:

Billy Joe Waldrup, Chairman and Trustee; H. T. Miller, III, Vice Chairman and Trustee; Bobbie Bounds Allen, Secretary and Trustee; Phil McNeer, Trustee; Willie Mays Burton, Trustee; Billy Marlow, Executive Director; Sam Miller, CEO; Rodney Clark COO; Drew Weissinger, CFO; Arie Chandler, Administrative Assistant; Sandra Britt, Administrative Assistant; Lawson Holladay, Esquire.

The meeting of the Hospice of North Sunflower Medical Center was conducted prior to the calling to order the meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Waldrup called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Burton to open the meeting with a word of prayer. The minutes of the 23 August 2017 Regular Board Meeting were approved as corrected by motion offered by Mrs. Allen and seconded by Mr. Miller and unanimously approved. The minutes of the 11 September 2017 Called Board Meeting were approved as distributed by motion offered by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. McNeer and unanimously approved.

There was no unfinished business to bring before the Board for consideration.

The first order of New Business was the approval of the initial appointment for Joyce Moore, M.D. to the Medical Staff as a Tele-Radiologist with consulting privileges. The entire file was reviewed as well as the recommendations of the Medical Staff. After discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: I move to approve the Initial Credentialing for the following Physician: Joyce Moore, M.D. (Tele-Radiologist.) I further approve her appointment to the Medical Staff for a period of one (1) year to end 27 September 2018, at which time, she will be eligible for consideration of a two year term provided she meet the requirements of the Medical Staff.

Maker: Phil McNeer

Seconder: Bobbie Bounds Allen

Motion Unanimously Adopted

The next item for discussion was the Re-credentialing of three (3) Physicians and four (4) Allied Health Professionals. The Board reviewed the recommendations of the Medical Staff and the applications of each physician and Allied Health Professional. After careful review and checking the lists for Exclusions from CMS and the NPDB, the following motion was made:

MOTION: I move that we grant two year privileges ending 27 September 2019, for the following Providers: Dr. Donald Faucett (Ophthalmologist); Dr. Carey Williams (Podiatrist); Dr. Marion Shaun Lund (Podiatrist); Laurie Nimon, NP-C; Valarie Hildebrand, NP-C; Brantley Cattlette, FNP; and Natayla Pitts-Thomas, FNP.

Maker: Phil McNeer

Seconder: Mr. Willie Burton

Motion Unanimously Adopted

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The next item of business to come before the Board was the discussion of the Delta Trauma Care Region and the hospital's participation. After discussion, the following Resolution was made:

WHEREAS, the board of Trustees of the North Sunflower Medical Center acknowledge their intentions to maintain full support of the provisions set forth by the Delta Trauma Care Region;

WHEREAS, compliance with these provisions which include this facility maintaining Level IV Trauma designation require the commitment of the Board of Trustees and all members of the Health Care Team at North Sunflower Medical Center.

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the North Sunflower Medical Center that we do pledge our full support of the provisions set forth by the Delta Trauma Care Region to maintain trauma care as a Level IV facility within the region.

Maker: H.T. Miller, III

Secunder: Phil McNeer

Unanimously Accepted

Drew Weissinger, CFO, presented the financial information as attached to the minutes. The entire Facility showed a Net Loss of (\$45,676) for the month of August. The entire facility has \$15.8 Million in cash, \$49 Million in assets, and a fund balance of \$49 Million. The Hospital showed a Net Loss of (\$155,273) for August and a Net Income of \$89,013 for Year to Date. The Gross Revenue for the Hospital was \$8.8 Million for the month of August. Hospice had a Net Income of \$47,489 for August and \$352,457 Year to Date. Diagnostic Center had a Net loss of (\$1,582), Sunflower Eye Station had a Net income of \$11,296 and the Dental Clinic had a Net Loss of (\$186) for August. Simply Sunflower had a Net Loss of (\$3,455.) The DME had a Net Income of \$47,563 for the month of August. The Pharmacy had a Net Income of \$13,410 for August. TRINA Health had a Net Loss of (\$4,938) during the month of August.

Drew reported that the hospital showed a loss due to a lump sum payback to Medicare but was offset with the UPL payment that was received for Walter B. Crook Nursing Facility.

Sam Miller presented the Administrator's Report as follows:

Mr. Miller reported that the Diabetes Tele-health project between NSMC and Grace Cottage Hospital in Vermont is growing steam. A rough draft of this healthcare grant is already being drawn up.

Mr. Miller reported that Secretary of State, Delbert Hosemann, contacted him recently to discuss the possibility of NSMC being involved in an Obesity study that includes the Cleveland Clinic and 8 other large facilities. Mr. Miller and Joanie Perkins have been invited to attend a dinner with Governor Phil Bryant, the CEO of the Cleveland Clinic and several other key note people that will be involved in the obesity study on Friday evening, September 29th, to discuss details.

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Rodney Clark presented the Quality Report as follows:

Mr. Clark gave each Board member an HCAHPS Data spreadsheet for their review. The consulting group out of Birmingham responsible for the data collection is doing a wonderful job of contacting patients and getting results. Percentile rates for NSMC between the dates of 10/1/2016-6/30/2017 are as follows: 87.75% of patients reported that their nurses always communicate well, 91.16% of patients reported that their doctors always communicate well, 83.71% of patients reported that they always receive help as soon as they request it, 84.98% of patients reported that that their pain was always well controlled, 87.8% of patients gave NSMC a rating of a 9 or 10 on a scale of 0-10, and 86.08% of patients reported that they would definitely recommend NSMC to others.

Upon the recommendation of Mr. Lawson Holladay, Esquire, Mr. Waldrup requested that the Board consider going into executive session to discuss possible litigation and litigation.

MOTION: I move that the Board of Trustees consider going into executive session to discuss possible litigation and litigation.

Maker: H.T. Miller, III

Seconded: Willie Burton

Motion Unanimously Adopted

After discussion, Mr. Waldrup requested that the Board go into executive session at 12:39 P.M. to discuss possible litigation issues and litigation.

MOTION: I move to go into executive session to discuss possible litigation issues and litigation.

Maker: Bobbie Bounds Allen

Seconded: H.T. Miller, III

Motion Unanimously Adopted

On motion by Phil McNeer and seconded by Bobbie Bounds Allen, and unanimously passed, the Board came back into Regular Session at 1:32 P.M.

On motion by Phil McNeer, seconded by H.T. Miller, III, and unanimously passed, the Board approved the North Sunflower Medical Center paying the reasonable and customary attorney's fees and expenses of Billy Marlow, Joanie Perkins, Dr. Jerry Tankersley and Dr. Richard Williams as employees of the North Sunflower Medical Center incurred because of the claims of the Mississippi Division of Medicaid regarding Medicaid payments to the Medical Center.

Billy Marlow reported that he just received a call from Jim Blackwood. Mr. Blackwood reported that the plaintiffs in Case Number 1:16 CV 00038 in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi had dismissed without prejudice the case against certain hospitals and foundations.

Upon Motion made by Mrs. Bobbie Bounds Allen and seconded by H. T. Miller, III, the Board adjourned, subject to the call of the Chairman.

Billy Joe Waldrup, Chairman

Bobbie Bounds Allen, Secretary