

North Sunflower Medical Center
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
24 February 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED the Chairman and the Board of Trustees of North Sunflower Medical Center, Ruleville, Sunflower County, Mississippi, met in their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, 24 February 2021, when and where the following were present:

Billy Joe Waldrup, Chairman and Trustee; Bobbie Bounds Allen, Secretary and Trustee; Phil McNeer, Trustee; Willie Burton, Trustee; Daniel Ceja, CEO; Sam Miller, COO; Rodney Clark, CAO; Jennifer Baughman, Accounting Director; Sandra Britt, Administrative Assistant; Arie Chandler, Administrative Assistant; Lawson Holladay, Esquire

Absent: H.T. Miller, III, Vice-Chairman and Trustee and Billy Marlow, Executive Director

Mr. Waldrup called the meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at noon and asked Arie Chandler to open the meeting with a word of prayer. The minutes of the 27 January 2021 Regular Board Meeting were approved as distributed by motion offered by Mrs. Allen, 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 to review and approve the Re-appointment applications for Hadonica Murphy, FNP-C (part time Provider at the Sunflower Rural Health Clinic) and Katherine Chadwick, FNP-C (MS Sports Medicine Group). The applications, Data Bank queries, and OIG exclusion list reports were reviewed and the following motion was made:

MOTION: I move to accept the re-credentialing applications for Hadonica Murphy, FNP-C and Katherine Chadwick, FNP-C and that they be approved for a two-year term ending 24 February 2023.

Maker: Mr. Phil McNeer

Seconded: Mr. Willie Burton

Motion Unanimously Approved

Jennifer Baughman presented the financial information for January as follows. The entire facility had a cash balance of \$17.1 Million; total assets of \$49.2 Million, and a total liabilities and fund balance of \$49.2 Million. The Hospital's Gross Revenue was \$8.5 Million for the month and \$30.9 Million Year to Date. The Hospital had a Net Income of \$25,880 for the month and a Year to Date Net Loss of (\$1.4Million). Haire Drug Center, LLC had a Net Income of \$35,083 for the month and a Year to Date Net Income of \$67,983. Hospice had a Net Income of \$24,906 for the month and a Year to Date Net Income of \$145,597. Sunflower Diagnostic Center had a Net Income of \$16,211 for the month and a Year to Date Net Income of \$76,666. Simply Sunflower had a Net Loss of (\$5,542) for the month and a Year to Date Net loss of (\$2,091). Sunflower DME had a Net Income of \$11,977 for the month and a Year to Date Net Income of \$142,625. NSMC Pharmacy had a Net Income of \$71,692 for the month and a Year to Date Net Income of \$221,474. The Rural Health Clinic had a Net Income of \$123,011 for the

month and a Year to Date Net Loss of (\$77,487). NSMC as a whole showed a Net Income of \$178,090 for the month and a Year to Date Net Loss of (\$751,547).

At this time, Mr. Waldrup acknowledged the article published in last week's copy of the Bolivar Bullet about Daniel and his role as CEO at NSMC. Mr. Waldrup stated that the article was great and it makes our hospital look good. On behalf of the Board, Mr. Waldrup thanked Daniel for his hard work and expressed that he was doing a wonderful job as CEO. Daniel thanked Mr. Waldrup for his kind remarks and expressed that he could not do the job without the help of Sam and Rodney.

The Administrative report was given as follows:

Daniel began by stating that the financials continue to look better each month. Swing bed days are currently at 300 and should hit 400-450 this month.

Last week's ice storm forced the implementation of the emergency weather plan. All employees received an emergency driver contact list and were instructed to call if they needed a ride to work. Several Administrative employees put in 18-20 hour days for a solid week ensuring that our employees got to and from work safely. We opened the Training Rooms, Recovery Room, Sleep Lab and the Provider house to give employees the opportunity to spend the night rather than travel back and forth on the icy roads. The Rural Health Clinic was closed on Monday due to the weather but was open from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. the remainder of the week to avoid unnecessary ER visits.

Daniel reported that we should receive 300-400 COVID-19 vaccines next week. Dr. Dobbs, State Health Officer, contacted Daniel and assured him that NSMC would be allotted vaccines weekly as long as the MSDH had them available. The vaccinations will be given by appointment only at the tent located outside of the Rural Health Clinic. There are approximately 1,100 people on the waiting list to be called for a vaccination appointment.

Daniel reported the PPP loan forgiveness was still pending. There is a second PPP loan available but it requires that you have 300 or less employees and that the first loan is forgiven prior to applying.

The Cost Report submission deadline was extended to April 30. Should we receive money back we have plans to asphalt the employee parking lot and purchase a generator for the Clinic. There is a meeting scheduled with Robinson Electric on Friday to discuss a quote for the generator.

Effective Friday, February 26, the new COVID-19 Hospital Visitation hours are 3 P.M. to 6 P.M. daily. In order to visit, you must show proof of a negative COVID test within 72 hours of your visit or have had both COVID vaccines; wear a mask at all times; and stay inside the patients room. Exceptions will be made for end of life patients.

Rodney Clark presented the Quality Assurance Report as follows:

We continue to see a decrease in COVID cases and testing.

In January, the Emergency Department reported 56 COVID positive patients. Of the 56 positive patients, 22 were admitted to the hospital; 31 were discharged home; and three were transferred to another facility.

The COVID Unit statistics for January are as follows: 35 patients; average age- 64 years old; average length of stay- 6.8 days; two deaths; one left AMA; 28 discharged home; and three transferred to another facility.

Upon Motion made by Mrs. Bobbie Allen and seconded by Mr. Phil McNeer, the Board adjourned at 12:35 P.M., subject to the call of the Chairman.

Billy Joe Waldrup, Chairman

Bobbie Bounds Allen, Secretary