



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRINITY MEDICAL
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

April 25, 2023

5:00 PM

Board Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular scheduled meeting of the Trinity Medical Board of Commissioners was called to order at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 by Board Chairman, Mr. James King.

II. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Fred Marsalis opened the meeting with prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Kevin Ingram.

III. ROLL CALL

A roll call revealed the following members present: Mrs. Lipsey, Mr. Marsalis, Mr. Butcher, Mr. King, Dr. Ingram, and Mr. Crum. Absent: Mr. Graves. Also present were: Mrs. Nekeisha Smith, Administrator, Mrs. Neely Greene, COO, Mr. Spencer Holder, CFO, and Mr. Walt Wilson, CCO, Mrs. Mary Margaret Edwards, Marketing Director, and Mr. Joey Martin, Concordia Sentinel.

OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this time, Chairman King opened the meeting to public comments.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. King asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting on March 28, 2023. The minutes were approved as presented on a motion by Mr. Butcher and a second by Mr. Crum. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

V. APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION

Mr. King asked for a motion to approve the Executive Committee's April 10, 2023 approval of a resolution to open a Certificate of Deposit (CD) Account at Concordia Bank & Trust. Authorized signatures include: Mrs. Smith, CEO, Mrs. Greene, COO, and Mr. King, Board Chairman. On a motion by Mr. Butcher with a second from Mr. Crum, the Executive Committee's approval of the resolution was approved. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORT

The February, 2023 Financial Report was presented by Mr. Holder and approved on a motion by Dr. Ingram and a second by Mr. Butcher. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.



VII. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO OPEN CD ACCOUNT AT DELTA BANK

Mr. King made a request to make an addendum to the agenda to discuss a Resolution to open a CD account at Delta Bank. Authorized signatures include: Mrs. Smith, CEO, Mrs. Greene, COO, and Mr. King, Board Chairman. A motion was made by Mr. Marsalis to make the addendum with a second by Mrs. Lipsey. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

After discussion, Mr. King asked for a motion to approve the Resolution. Dr. Ingram made the motion to approve the Resolution with a second by Mrs. Lipsey. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mrs. Smith provided the following report to the Board of Commissioners:

As stated last month, On May 11th , the COVID declaration will come to an end. All rules and guidelines pre-COVID will go back in place. We are working to make sure everyone understands what this process will be.

We are working with a group called Compass Health to help with the transfer arrangements of our PEC patients. We see anywhere from 20 -30 plus PEC patients per month. The company has presented us with a contract to cover the services of psychiatric treatment coordination and psychiatric consultation services. We feel this will help free the nurses up from spending so much time calling the different facilities for transfers. We are very hopeful to start with this company in the next month or so.

James and I are working with our Attorney Group Sullivan Stolier on several bills in the Legislature right now. We are having letters drafted to our lawmakers to show how these bills can affect our hospital.

One of the main topics is regarding the funding for workforce proposal. We are having a very hard time hiring nurses and meeting their salary demands. We will get the letters to the lawmakers on today to help push these bills through.

Hospital Week will be May 8th – 12th. We are planning something daily for the employees to show our appreciation for a job well done.

Mrs. Smith presented a contract with Compass Health for approval. Compass Health will provide behavioral and mental health services including assisting placement and transfer of patients with behavioral and/or mental health issues and evaluations of patients with mental health and/or behavioral. After discussion, the contract was approved on a motion by Dr. Ingram and a second by Mr. Marsalis. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

IX. MANAGEMENT REPORT

Mrs. Greene presented the following departmental policies and procedures for approval:



- i. Emergency Preparedness
- ii. Lab – Chem/Hemo/Urine
- iii. QI

Dr. Ingram made a motion to approve the above departmental policies and procedures. The motion was seconded by Mr. Marsalis. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

X. APPOINTMENTS and RESIGNATIONS

On a motion by Dr. Ingram and a second by Mrs. Lipsey, all appointments and resignations were approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At this time Mr. King requested the Board enter into Executive Session. A motion was made by Mr. Crum to enter into Executive Session and a second by Mr. Marsalis. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

After discussion, a motion was made to re-enter Open Session by Mr. Marsalis and a second by Mrs. Lipsey. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

X. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. King made a request to make an addendum to the agenda to discuss bids submitted to install outdoor lighting at the two entrances to Trinity Medical and lighting along the drive to the Emergency Entrance. A motion was made by Mrs. Lipsey to make the addendum with a second by Mr. Marsalis. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

Mr. King informed the Board that two bids were submitted by Natchez Heating and Cooling and Miss-Lou Electric for the project. Mr. King stated that Miss-Lou Electric had submitted the lowest bid; however, the company withdrew the bid it submitted due the inability to complete the project because of workforce issues. Mr. King said Natchez Heating and Cooling would be capable of beginning the project within 60 days. A motion was made by Mr. Marsalis to approve the bid by Natchez Heating and Cooling with a second by Mr. Crum. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, Chairman King thanked everyone for their attendance and support. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Dr. Ingram and a second by Mrs. Lipsey. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

JAMES KING, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
NEKEISHA SMITH, CEO
SECRETARY