



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

January 23, 2024

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, January 23, 2024 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: Mr. King, Mr. Marsalis, Mrs. Lipsey, Dr. Ingram, Mr. Graves, Mr. Butcher, and Mr. Crum. Also present were: Mrs. Nekeisha Smith, Administrator, Mrs. Neely Greene, COO, Mr. Spencer Holder, CFO, and Mr. Walt Wilson, CCO, Ms. Shaniqua Gilmore, Administrative Assistant, 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 December 19, 2023. The minutes were approved as presented on a motion by Mr. Graves and a second by Mr. Butcher. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

V. FINANCIAL REPORT

The September 2023 Financial Report was presented by Mr. Holder and approved on a motion by Mr. Butcher and a second by Mrs. Lipsey. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

***ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**

Mr. Graves made the motion to make an addendum to the agenda for clarification of the agricultural agreement and a second motion by Mr. Butcher. Mr. Graves also made the motion to

add an out clause to the agricultural agreement. The approval of the motion was put to a roll call vote. Roll call vote revealed the following: YEAS: 7; NAYS: 0. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mrs. Smith presented the following Administrative Report to the Board of Commissioners:

Administrative Report

We have hired a NP on a PRN basis to work with our ER physicians. The NP will work weekends only. We are hiring another PRN NP to help in the ER as well.

We have installed a wandering system in the ER to help with our PEC patients. The system will alert staff if a patient tries to elope from the ER. The system will also work with patients with dementia as well as babies.

We have hired a new Dietary Manager, Delvettia Skipper Dunmore. Delvettia comes with over 20 plus years of experience. We are working to improve several areas in our dietary department including hanging the menu, adding new items, and changing the hours.

Dr. Tyson Garon, Orthopedic Hand Surgeon will be starting on Monday, March 11th. His primary focus is treating injuries from elbow down. Dr. Garon will be in the MOB clinic. For appointments, please call 318-757-6559 or dial ext. 642.

We did receive verbal acceptance and medical staff application from Dr. Caitlin Robinson, Dermatologist, to come to practice at the MOB clinic 1 day per month starting this summer. I will get a contract sent over to Dr. Robinson in the next week or so for final confirmation.

We are continuing to add Specialist to our hospital to prevent our patients from traveling out of state. We are also still recruiting another primary care physician. We have not been very successful, but we are still actively looking.

On February 1st, we will be switching to another ER group, Keystone. We will still have Dr. Odudu and Dr. Sherrod on staff. The goal is to make this transition as smooth as possible without any disruptions to our services.

VII. MANAGEMENT REPORT

Mrs. Greene requested annual approval for Compliance (Code of Conduct), Radiology, and Vidalia Clinic's Departmental Policies and Procedures. Mr. Graves made the motion to approve Departmental Policies and Procedures for annual approval with a second by Mrs. Lipsey. The motion was carried unanimously when put to a vote.

Mrs. Greene requested approval of 2024 Elections for Chief of Staff, Dr. Carrie Bonomo and Vice Chief of Staff, Dr. Huey Moak. Mr. Marsalis made the motion to approve with a second by Mr. Graves. The motion was carried unanimously when put to a vote.

Mrs. Greene requested approval of Medical Directors for the following Radiology, Laboratory, Rehab, Emergency Room, Respiratory Care, and Pharmacy and approved on a motion by Mr. Marsalis and a second by Mr. Graves.

XI. APPOINTMENTS and RESIGNATIONS

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

XII. STRATEGIC PLANNING

Mr. Graves made the motion to enter Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Butcher. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

Mr. Butcher made the motion to reenter Open Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Marsalis. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Butcher made the motion to discuss providing a letter to physician concerning the cost of continuing call pay. The Board of Commissioners will evaluate the cost of the service over the next 120 days to determine if the service will be continued. The motion was seconded by Mr. Marsalis. The approval of the motion was put to a roll call vote. Roll call vote revealed the following: YEAS: 6 Mr. Marsalis, Dr. Ingram, Mr. Butcher, Mr. Crum, Mrs. Lipsey, and Mr. Graves NAYS:1 Mr. King ABSENT: 0 ABSTAINED: 0. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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

JAMES KING, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____

NEKEISHA SMITH, CEO

SECRETARY