

**Morton County Health System  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Minutes of October 17, 2023**

1. **Call to Order:** Dr. Todd Johnson DC, FASA, Chairman of the board, called the meeting to order at 11:54 am.

**Attendees:**

Lisa Swenson, CEO  
Richard Adams, CFO  
Troy Barnett, Vice Chairman  
Karen Gates, Secretary  
Ron Rich, Treasurer  
Jennifer Pearlstein, Administrative Assistant/minutes  
Amry Caddick, Quality  
Sharm Hall, Infection Prevention  
Jeanne Schumacher, Clinic Manager  
Aubrey Winegarner, Director of Nursing

2. **Approve Agenda:** Todd asked for motion to approve the agenda for the meeting. Karen made a motion to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Ron, motion carried.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Board members read the September 19<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes. Todd asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written. Karen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Troy, motion carried.

Board members read the September 26<sup>th</sup> special meeting minutes. Todd asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written. Karen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Troy, motion carried.

4. **CFO Report Richard:** We have closed August and are getting ready to close September. CMS sent files to reconcile, we have sent them back with some missing information.
5. **CEO Update Lisa:** We are still waiting for the CAH approval from CMS and KDHE. Looking at making some positive changes that reduce costs. 3-4 weeks out until the front entrance is complete. The roof at the assisted living and hospital houses have been replaced. Staff has been working as a team and doing a great job.
6. **Infection Prevention:** Water plan for sinks and toilets not in use is now in place, this is a part of the infection prevention program.
7. **Quality Management:** We had incident reports between Sept 1<sup>st</sup> – Sept 30<sup>th</sup>. Currently working on a BCBS quality report for more reimbursement. Implemented a “no pass zone” in patient care areas.

8. **Public Comments:** None at this time.

9. **Executive Session:** Todd asked for a motion to enter executive session at 12:50 pm with Lisa and Richard for Personnel for 1 hour. Motion made by Karen, seconded by Troy, motion passed. Executive session ended at 1:30 pm with no action taken.

10. **Adjournment:** Todd asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Troy made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ron, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:31 pm

Karen Gates

11-14-2023

Karen Gates, Secretary

Date