

**Morton County Health System
Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes of September 19, 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
Marco Medina, IT

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 Troy, motion carried.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Board members read the August 15th 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 August 22nd & September 8th 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:** The Medicare takebacks are still being sorted out. The no-fund warrants are still being pursued. The front entrance is being renovated with a grant we received from Senator Jerry Moran and can only be used for capital investments.
5. **CEO Update Lisa:** We had our survey on 9/12/23 through CIHQ. Received a letter today letting us know that we passed the survey with only standard deficiencies. Once the deficiencies have been approved through CIHQ it will go to CMS for final approval for CAH status.
6. **Infection Prevention:** No health acquired infections this quarter, some exposures, but everyone is good. The antibiotic stewardship program is under way.
7. **Quality Management:** We had 8 incident reports between Aug 1 – Sept 18.
8. **IT:** Wireless installation is going well.

9. **Public Comments:** The board and administration did a question-and-answer session with numerous members of the community regarding the no-fund warrants and CAH.
10. **Executive Session:** Todd asked for a motion to enter executive session at 1:10 pm with Lisa and Richard for Personnel for 1 hour. Motion made by Karen, seconded by Ron, motion passed. Executive session ended at 1:24 pm with no action taken.
11. **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 1:25 pm

Karen Gates

10-17-2023

Karen Gates, Secretary

Date