

GRANT COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 2
dba QUINCY VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
May 26, 2015 - 5:30 pm.
QUINCY VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER ANNEX

Present: Randy Zolman, Don Condit, Robert Poindexter, Anthony Gonzalez

Also in attendance: Mehdi Merred, CEO; Alicia Shields, Dean Taplett, Glenda Bishop, Tom Richardson, Mike Pirkey, Alene Walker, Sheryl Wood, Jill Fitzsimmons (QVPR), David Day.

CALL TO ORDER – Randy Zolman, Chairman of the Commissioners, called the meeting to order at 5:37 pm.

1. **Comments from the Audience:** None.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** *A motion was made by Robert Poindexter with a second from Don Condit to approve the minutes from the Regular meeting on April 29, 2015. Motion carried.*
3. **Board Chair Report:** Randy provided an update on discussions with the City of Quincy. Randy also welcomed David Day to the meeting.
4. **QI Report (Mike Pirkey):** The Scorecard was reviewed noting 100% compliance. Mike also reviewed the Quality Scorecards related to plan of correction auditing and safety. All indicators are looking quite good. The QI program is being modified slightly; we will be working on some process improvement as opposed to review of indicators. **Robert Poindexter made a motion with a second from Don Condit to approve the Quality Improvement report as presented. Motion carried.**
5. **Consent Agenda**
Bad Debt/Charity Care: *Don Condit made a motion with a second from Robert Poindexter to approve the Bad Debt (\$57,128)/Charity Care (\$45,064) adjustments as presented, totaling \$102,192. Motion carried.*

Vouchers (Accounts Payable and Payroll): *A motion was made by Don Condit with a second from Robert Poindexter to approve the Vouchers totaling \$929,857.73. Motion carried.*
6. **Standing Committee Reports**
Finance Committee: Dean Taplett reported gross operating revenues for April that were down from last year and below our budgeted amount. There were some contractual adjustments that needed to be made, and our gross to net percentage is going up from where we had been at 63.9 percent. This reflects positively on year to date numbers. We are showing a year to date loss of \$541,240. Overall patient volumes are going up, while the numbers in the Clinic have been down, the Emergency Department has been up and physical therapy down. This generally led to mixed results in terms of patient services and less than anticipated revenue in terms of budget compared to last year. The good news is that while revenue was down, expenses were also down from last year this month. We had a big weekend (Memorial Day weekend) and we expect the numbers for May to look improved compared to April. Our Accountants were here today completing work on the Cost Report.

Mehdi added that the Business Office efforts are having an impact on collections; policies are in place to help us see some results of long, consistent efforts. We are also seeing better utilization of the CPSI system, learning how to use the information available through better utilization of the system. Mehdi also noted that our FTEs are the lowest since March of 2006, showing that Managers are taking initiatives to improve productivity. We are committed to watching cash flows. The warrant line is decreasing – we were up to \$4 million in July last year, down by \$1.5 million as of this meeting. Randy reiterated that last year at this time our warrant line balance was \$3.7 million, and today it stands at \$2.5, a great effort from the staff for which the Board expressed appreciation.

Building & Grounds Committee: Mike reported that our Fire Alarm system is about two years past its “life expectancy” and we are at a point of having to replace the failing system. It was tested during the weekend and results indicate that we are well past its reasonable use. We have received one bid at this time from Rell's Fire Protection for just under \$70,000. Other bids are being sought with the expectation that we will need a Special Meeting to approve.

Personnel: None.

7. **Old Business:** None.

8. **New Business:**

a. **Medical Staff appointment: A motion was made by Robert Poindexter with a second from Don Condit to approve the appointment of Dawn Heagley, DO to Consulting Privileges (Pathology), and the Physician Roster from HealthLinkNow (Tele-Health providers). Motion carried.**

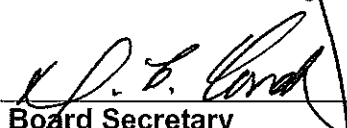
9. **Department Reports:**

Mehdi thanked the nursing staff for their efforts this weekend. The numbers are not yet available, but it was a busy weekend. Prior to the concert we had an opportunity to meet with Crowd RX, the company who provided on-site medical services at The Gorge. We have had good communication with Crowd Rx and with The Gorge. Nothing really stood out except that despite all the preparations and communications, there is still the possibility for dangerous situations to evolve, and this hospital will continue to ensure that all the necessary resources are available. Additionally, we have a nurse practitioner candidate for our Clinic who will be here for an interview next week; Mehdi emphasized the recruiting challenges being experienced by health-care organizations. Mehdi also explained a project we will be participating in, Accountable Communities of Health.

10. No Executive Session was called.

Adjournment: There being no further business, **Don Condit made a motion to adjourn with a second from Robert Poindexter; motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.


Board Chairman


Board Secretary

(Minutes recorded by and submitted by Glenda Bishop)