



## MOORE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

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### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### Open Session Minutes

November 20, 2024

The Board of Directors of Moore County Hospital District met on the above date in the Boardroom of Moore County Hospital District. Mr. John Frantz, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 1:00pm, with the following Board Members in attendance: Ms. Stacey Grall, Mr. Russell Fangman, Mr. Tom Moore, Dr. Carmen Purl, Mr. Shannon Gillespie, and Mr. Ben Maples. Also in attendance was Mr. Jeff Turner, MCHD CEO, and Ms. Ashley Smith, Recording Secretary. A list of other guests in attendance is recorded on the official meeting attendance.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Courtney Copley, Chief Appraiser of Sherman County, introduced herself to the Board and stated that she will make herself available for questions or assistance as needed.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Action:

Mr. Ben Maples moved to approve the October 23, 2024 Open Session Board Minutes as presented. Mr. Shannon Gillespie seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

Action:

Mr. Shannon Gillespie moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Russell Fangman seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

#### APPROVAL AGENDA:

##### **FY2024 Financial Audit:**

Tabled:

Mr. Tom Moore moved to table the FY2024 Financial Audit due to the delay of the cost report by Durbin & Co, the auditors for MCHD. Ms. Stacey Grall seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

##### **Administrator's Report:**

Discussion:

Mr. Jeff Turner, MCHD CEO, reviewed the report with the Board, consisting of the following: an update on the hospital facility project including ongoing renovations to existing spaces; an update on the multispecialty clinic project; information pertaining to a recent record in Women's Services monthly deliveries; an update on physician/provider recruitment including Internal Medicine physician recruitment for the Moore County Adult Medicine clinic, an additional Family Practice physician for the Moore County Family Health Clinic, and an APP for the Bone & Joint Clinic; an update on inpatient dialysis; information pertaining to a proposed pain management services; information pertaining to an increasing trend to transfer versus admit patients by the hospitalist group; an update on transfers versus admissions and swing bed admissions; an update on CAHPS performance; an update on the Custom Learning Systems; an update on bi-annual rounding on staff by the CEO; information pertaining to the return of Mr. Larry White as the MNRC Interim Administrator; an update on MCHD turnover; information pertaining to MCHD receiving 5-Star designation by the National Rural Rating System (NRRS); information pertaining to TPCP ACO goals being moved at the end of the reporting period by CMS; an update on recent grants awarded to MCHD; an update on upfront cash collections; information pertaining to additional involvement in the community by the CEO; and upcoming dates of Medical Staff meetings for Board attendance. Attached to the report were: the admissions versus transfers reports; the swing bed admissions reports; the MCHD Scorecard; an email pertaining to last minute goal changes by CMS resulting in a request for reconsideration review; and information pertaining to the languages translated for patient care in October.



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### Consideration for Approval of Chapel Renovation Bids:

Tabled: Mr. Ben Maples moved to table the approval of the chapel renovation bids until further notice. Mr. Russell Fangman seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

### Chief of Staff Report:

Discussion: Dr. Stephanie Diehlmann, Chief of Staff, reported to the Board on the following: the CHARTIS conference that she, Dr. Agle, and Dr. Apolinario recently attended; updates on the development of a Chief Medical Officer position as listed on the Approval Agenda, item "e"; Medical Staff appointments as listed on the Approval Agenda, item "f"; and updates to the Medical Staff Rules & Regulations as listed on the Approval Agenda, item "g".

### Status Briefing on Creation of Chief Medical Officer Position:

Action: Dr. Stephanie Diehlmann, Chief of Staff, discussed the creation of the position of Chief Medical Officer with the Board. She provided the Board a proposed CMO Job Description along with an Org Chart showing how the position would fit into the organization and whom the position would report to. Dr. Carmen Purl moved to approve the creation of the Chief Medical Officer position as presented. Ms. Stacey Grall seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

### Medical Staff Appointments:

Action: Dr. Carmen Purl moved to approve the medical staff appointments as presented. Ms. Stacey Grall seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

### Medical Staff Rules & Regulations:

Action: Mr. Ben Maples moved to approve the updated Medical Staff Rules & Regulations as presented. Mr. Russell Fangman seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

### Tax Abatement Agreement:

Action: Mr. Ben Maples moved to approve the tax abatement agreement between Moore County Hospital District and Somerton Plaza Partners, LLC pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code as presented. Dr. Carmen Purl seconded the motion. Mr. Tom Moore and Mr. Shannon Gillespie approved. Mr. Russell Fangman and Mr. John Frantz disapproved. Ms. Stacey Grall abstained. The motion carried by a majority of four (4) members.

Action: Mr. Ben Maples moved to approve the tax abatement guidelines and criteria between Moore County Hospital District and Somerton Plaza Partners, LLC pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code as presented. Dr. Carmen Purl seconded the motion. Mr. Tom Moore and Mr. Shannon Gillespie approved. Mr. Russell Fangman and Mr. John Frantz disapproved. Ms. Stacey Grall abstained. The motion carried by a majority of four (4) members.

Action: Mr. Ben Maples moved to approve the tax abatement resolution between Moore County Hospital District and Somerton Plaza Partners, LLC pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code as presented. Dr. Carmen Purl seconded the motion. Mr. Tom Moore and Mr. Shannon Gillespie approved. Mr. Russell Fangman and Mr. John Frantz disapproved. Ms. Stacey Grall abstained. The motion carried by a majority of four (4) members.

Discussion: For clarification on signature procedures for the documents provided for Approval Agenda, Item "h", Mr. Ben Maples contacted Mr. Bryan Guymon with the Underwood law firm via telephone for council. During council, the Board was made aware that the law firm erred in the documentation it provided to the District, and, as such, the documentation was not actually prepared for authorization at the Board level at this time.  
**Therefore:**



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Action to Rescind: Mr. Shannon Gillespie motioned to rescind all three prior motions in regards to the tax abatement agreement, the tax abatement guidelines, and the tax abatement resolution with Somerton Plaza Partners, LLC pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code as presented. Dr. Carmen Purl seconded the motion. Ms. Stacey Grall abstained. The motion carried by a majority of six (6).

The Board of Directors adjourned into Closed Session at 3:36pm and reconvened into Open Session at 5:11pm in order to take action on the following items:

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

**Closed Session Minutes of 10/23/2024**

Action: Mr. Shannon Gillespie moved to approve the October 23, 2024 Closed Session Board Minutes as presented. Mr. Tom Moore seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Action: Mr. Tom Moore moved to adjourn the Board of Directors Meeting at 5:11pm. Mr. Shannon Gillespie seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

  
Mr. Russell Fangman, Board Secretary  
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