

## Allen County Regional Hospital Board of Trustees Meeting

6:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Board Room – Allen County Regional Hospital

3066 N. Kentucky, Iola, KS 66749

The scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees (BOT) of Allen County Regional Hospital (ACRH) was held Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Members present in person or by conference call were Loren Korte, Jeff Johnson, Terry Sparks, John Brocker, Mona Hull and Jim Gilpin. Ex-officio members and guests included Larry Peterson, CFO and acting CEO; Dr. Brian Neely, Chief of Staff; and Patty McGuffin, CNO. Auditors from BKD, Sue Brammer and Todd Kenney, joined the meeting, later by phone, to present the ACRH 2019 audit. Guests by phone also included Saint Luke's Health Systems (SLHS) executives, Steve Schieber and Elmore Patterson.

Chairman Korte called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Sparks made a motion to approve the agenda; Ms. Hull seconded it and the motion carried. Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the April 28, 2020 minutes. Mr. Sparks seconded the motion; the motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Chairman Korte introduced Mr. Schieber, SLHS CEO for the Critical Access Region, who then introduced Mr. Patterson, newly selected ACRH CEO. Mr. Patterson briefly shared his professional background as a retired US Army officer with considerable education and experience in health care administration. After words of welcome and a brief conversation by members of the BOD, Chairman Korte said the ACRH BOT would like to provide opportunities for Mr. Patterson to get acquainted – possibly a small reception in late June with medical professionals and staff; and a larger, public reception in July, perhaps at Allen County Country Club – keeping in mind COVID 19 safety protocols. SLHS executives then left the meeting.

BKD Partner, Todd J. Kenney, CPA, FHFMA, and Sue Brammer, CPA reviewed with the BOT the approach and areas of emphasis, and then summarized the Draft of the 2019 ACRH audit and ACRH Board Report; ACRH received an “Unmodified, or ‘Clean’ Opinion” on 2019 Financial Statements. Mr. Kenney and Ms. Brammer left the meeting. Mr. Gilpin made a motion to accept the 2019 audit as presented. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Mr. Peterson began his administrator's report by asking Ms. McGuffin to provide an update on diversions and on the ACRH COVID-19 pandemic response. She mentioned there were no diversions since the last meeting of the ACRH BOT. She said the pandemic response still included closing to the public the cafeteria; physical distancing while at work; screening everyone at the door of the main entrance and the emergency room; and not permitting visitors to the hospital, with a few exceptions. Surgery and other services have resumed after screening patients and testing them and using masks. Supplies of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) are adequate – 40,000 masks were received from American Eagle and shared with EMS and other

first responders in Allen County. An N-95 mask cleaning machine was purchased and is in use. Three college students have been hired for the summer to help with screening entrances.

Next Ms. McGuffin said the May 13 & 14 American Red Cross Blood Drive (ARCBD) conducted at the John Silas Bass Community Building was successful, but it will be the last one for ARCBD. SLHS uses Community Blood Center of Kansas City.

Next, Mr. Peterson said department heads were updating policies to mirror those of SLHS; staff members were reviewing changes in benefits as future employees of SLHS; bids were being prepared for the pharmacy remodel and shower repair projects to be started later in 2020. Finally, Mr. Peterson said SLHS executives are working with him to fill specialty physician service gaps that will occur with the cancellation of specialty clinics for pulmonary, vascular, pain management, sleep study, tele-stroke and tele-psych.

Under old business, there were no trustee or development committee reports. Chairman Korte reported the management contract with HCA will end on 6-30-2020 and on 7-1-2020 SLHS will begin their lease. HCA and related systems will not extend much beyond July 1, 2020. Mr. Peterson said the transition to new payroll and accounting services could be challenging in July.

Under new business, Mr. Peterson presented the finance committee month-end report for April 2020. He reviewed activity levels, payer mix, revenues, operating costs and financial position. He also said ACRH had received in April and early May large amounts of special government pandemic funding – a CMS loan of over three million; a federal CARES Act grant for hospitals of \$518,000 and a \$100,000 grant from the state of Kansas. He said more cash was received from the SBA Payroll Protection Program. ACRH applied through Community National Bank & Trust and most of those funds may be forgiven later in 2020. Mr. Gilpin made a motion to approve the financial report. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Next under the medical executive committee report, Dr. Neely reviewed the minutes of the April 21, 2020 meeting and echoed Mr. Peterson's remarks concerning the loss of specialty clinics. Mr. Sparks made the motion to approve the minutes and the report; seconded by Mr. Johnson, the motion carried.

An executive session for credentialing was next on the agenda. Mr. Sparks made a motion to move into executive session with Mr. Peterson, Dr. Neely, and Ms. McGuffin at 7:30 for a period of 5 minutes for personnel matters of non-elected personnel, as authorized by Section 75-4319(b)(1) of the Kansas Open Meetings Act. The BOT would reconvene at 7:35. Ms. Hull seconded the motion; the motion carried. At 7:35 the BOT reconvened in open session. Ms. Hull moved to approve the one initial appointment, the 14 reappointments and the 27 resignations recommended by the medical executive committee as follows:

**Initial Appointments:**

Thomas "Rick" Payne, CRNA

Effective 06/01/2020 – 09/30/2021.

**Reappointments:**

Craig Bruner, MD

Effective 08/01/2020 – 07/31/2022.

David Dowell, DPM

Effective 06/01/2020 – 05/31/2022.

Stacey Kale, APRN

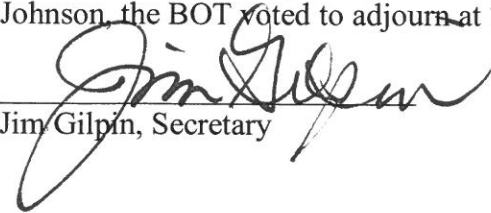
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| Jenna King, APRN     | Effective 06/01/2020 – 05/31/2022. |
| James Marcum, II, MD | Effective 08/01/2020 – 07/31/2022. |
| Bradley McIlroy, MD  | Effective 08/31/2020 – 07/31/2022. |
| Douglas Nemmers, MD  | Effective 06/01/2020 – 05/31/2022. |
| Anthony Onofrio, MD  | Effective 07/01/2020 – 06/30/2022. |
| Corey Padilla, CRNA  | Effective 07/01/2020 – 06/30/2022. |
| Anissa Sell, APRN    | Effective 06/01/2020 – 05/31/2022. |
| Ricki Shah, MD       | Effective 07/01/2020 – 06/30/2022. |
| Wesley Stone, DO     | Effective 07/01/2020 – 06/30/2022. |
| Brian Tolefree, CRNA | Effective 07/01/2020 – 06/30/2022. |
| Jastin Varkey, MD    | Effective 07/01/2020 – 09/30/2022. |

**Resignations:**

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| Maysun Ali, DO            | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Russell Bart, MD          | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Alicia Bennett, DO        | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Ray Bogitch, MD           | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Ira Chang, MD             | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Christopher Fanale, MD    | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Adam Graham, MD           | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Jonathan Kleinman, MD     | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Emily Lampe, MD           | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Jonathan Scott, MD        | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Byron Spencer, MD         | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Jeffrey Wagner, MD        | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Murtaza Khan, MD          | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Kevin Carmen, MD          | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Christine Charles, MD     | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Michelle DeNault, MD      | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Venkata Diddi, MD         | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Suzanne Newman, MD        | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Stefani Parrisbalogun, MD | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Sara Puening, MD          | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Ali Samee, MD             | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Harry Siegele, MD         | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Michele Siegele, MD       | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| Ashley Smith, MD          | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| David Weiss, MD           | Tenders resignation effective 05/31/2020. |
| John Nelson, MD           | Tenders resignation effective 06/01/2020. |
| Scott Rawson, MD          | Tenders resignation effective 06/30/2020. |

Mr. Gilpin seconded the motion, and upon the vote, the motion passed unanimously.  
 No further business appearing on the agenda, on a motion by Mr. Sparks and second by Mr. Johnson, the BOT voted to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

  
 Jim Gilpin, Secretary