

**Granite County Hospital District  
Board of Directors  
Meeting  
Tuesday August 27, 2013**

**Present:**

- Mr. Ken Burd
- Ms. Muriel Ramerman
- Mr. Jim Waldbillig
- Ms. Judy Friede

A quorum of the Board was present.

The meeting was called to order by chairman Ken Burd at 6:02 pm on Tuesday August 27, 2013 at the Granite County Medical Center Conference Facility in Philipsburg, MT.

Ken Burd announced that Rick McGill has decided to resign from the Board of Trustees and he went on to read Rick McGill's letter of resignation. He announced that anyone who feels they would be of service to the Board is encouraged to apply for the vacant position.

The minutes from the July 30, 2013 meeting were reviewed. Muriel Ramerman made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Jim Waldbillig seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Standing Items**

**Administrator's Report**

Daniel W. Boatman reported that there have been a few staff turnovers recently and the nursing leadership has stepped up to the plate and is doing a wonderful job covering all necessary shifts. He went on to report that Janice Gross is planning to retire next Spring, with this in mind he will start seriously looking for her replacement beginning after the first of the year. He concluded his report by noting that he is still moving forward with remodel plans.

**Medical Staff Report**

Frank Pawlak reported that at the last medical staff meeting the staff reviewed and passed a motion to recommend Kristy Boese be credentialed through the Board and granted privileges as requested. He went on to report that the medical staff bylaws have been distributed and are currently being reviewed.

Daniel W. Boatman added that a tele-psychology program is being brought in to the facility, and Muriel Ramerman noted that the mobile mammogram service will be coming to town in the month of October. Frank Pawlak added that it is very important that anyone who would like to take advantage of the mammogram and bone density testing services available needs to have a provider's order prior to being seen.

**Financial Report**

Jan Thomas reported that there is currently thirty-five days cash on hand for the facility. The facility did suffer a net loss of \$50,773 for the month of July, though this is not unusual as July is typically a slow month. She went on to report that department heads have been very good at staying within their budgets. She went on to recommend that the Financial Committee meet soon to work on collection policies for the facility. She concluded her report by noting that the current plan is to have a representative from the billing services at Monida in the facility once a month to make our billing and collection practices run more smoothly.

**Committee Reports**

Muriel Ramerman began her report on the Quality and Safety Committee by noting that at the last meeting a lot of discussion was held to continue addressing the issue of expirations of items in the facility. She also noted that the nursing department is doing a good job to cover open hours as they attempt to fill positions.

Jim Waldbillig noted that the Facilities Committee has gone through the facility to look at getting air conditioning installed for next summer. He also noted that Steve Hoggatt has taken over the position of facilities manager.

Ken Burd announced that the Finance Committee will be meeting soon as Jan Thomas had requested.

Judy Friede reported that the Marketing Committee is on track with the discharge folders and is just waiting to finalize the order.

Ken Burd reported that the Professional Affairs Committee is recommending that the Board credential Kristy Boese. Jim Waldbillig made a motion that the Board accept credentialing of Kristy Boese with privileges as requested. Muriel Ramerman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Old Business**

### **New Generator Update**

It was reported that the need for bids for the generator has been updated. These bids will be collected and opened in the Granite County Medical Center Conference Facility in mid September.

## **New Business**

### **Drummond Clinic Working Committee Update**

Ken Burd reported that the Drummond Clinic Working Committee was established and held their first meeting on August 14, 2013. The question of ownership of the Drummond Clinic Building was addressed and the County is in ownership of the building. Various issues were discussed during this meeting and it concluded with the decision that the Committee would reconvene when the Drummond group felt ready to do so.

The next meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on Tuesday September 24, 2013 at the Hall School in Hall, Montana pending the availability of the Hall School.

It was announced that several of the Board members will be attending the CAH Summit on September 19, 2013.

Jim Waldbillig made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Judy Friede seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:03 pm.

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Ken Burd (Chairman of GCHD Board of Trustees)

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