

**Martin County Hospital District
Board of Directors Meeting**

Monday, October 26, 2020

Members Present: Albert Garza, Terry Franklin, Morgan Cox, John Myrick, Frances Hernandez

Members Absent: Clay Parker

Hospital Staff Present: Nancy Cooke, Linda Wiebe, Freddy Olivarez, Cynthia Wentworth, Rebecca Brandon, Tonya Glisan, Tara Lopez

Other Attendees: Brian Jackson with Jackson and Carter

Meeting Called to Order at 11:32 AM by Board President Morgan Cox

Agenda Items	Presentation/Discussion	Action Taken
<p style="text-align: center;">Reading and Approval of Minutes from September 28, 2020 Board Meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Reading and Approval of Minutes from October 8, 2020 Educational Session</p>	<p>Minutes Reviewed.</p>	<p>Motion by Terry Franklin, to approve minutes Second by Albert Garza. Motion Approved</p> <p>Motion by Frances Hernandez to Approve Minutes, Second by Albert Garza. Motion Approved.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Public Comment</p>	<p>Ms. Cooke noted that Jack Madison had called and expressed interest in construction of a nursing facility/assisted living center.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Medical Staff Report</p>	<p>Linda Wiebe presented the Medical Staff Report. The following providers were presented for privileges: Amy Pennington, N.P. Allied Health Professional, Hospitalist; Alicia Rouleau, M.D. and Selin Carkaci, M.D. - Consulting Radio for Virtual Radiologic; Lulu Liu Tenoria, M.D. and Clayton McGuire, D.O. Consulting Radiology for Abilene Radiology Associates. Delinquent chart count was 1. 13 cases were presented for peer review with 12 accepted with no concerns. The Committee requested additional documentation on 1 ER chart. There were 23 reportable tests through Infection Control. 22 were Covid.</p>	<p>Motion by Albert Garza to approve report as presented. Second by John Myrick. Motion Approved.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Quality Assurance Dashboard</p>	<p>Ms. Wiebe presented the Quality Assurance Dashboard. Discussion was held concerning the water testing performed by the facility. Mr. Garza requested that a report be available for review at the next meeting. Discussion was also held concerning the reasons for combining and uncombining charts.</p>	<p>Motion by John Myrick, to approve report as presented. Second by Frances Hernandez. Motion Approved</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">2020 Patient Safety/Infection Control Dashboard</p>	<p>Ms. Lopez reviewed the Medication Error and the National Patient Safety Goal Monitoring Results. All National Patient Safety Goals are at 100% with the exception of Medication Reconciliation at Admit and Discharge. It has been identified that this information is not being completed on transfers. Staff is being monitored and educated on this.</p>	<p>Motion by John Myrick, to approve report as presented. Second by Frances Hernandez. Motion Approved</p>

<p>Equipment-Transport Ventilator</p>	<p>The transport ventilator will be used to transport critical patients from the MCH ED to other facilities. MCH does not currently own this type of equipment. This equipment is needed to assist with the management of patients who may be positive for COVID. The cost is \$20,839.20 and would be paid from COVID grant money.</p>	<p>Motion by Frances Hernandez, second by Terry Franklin to Approve. Motion approved.</p>
<p>Equipment-Homecare Homebase Software for Home Health</p>	<p>It was explained that Trulite is currently using a software named Kinser for its' documentation and billing purposes. This software was included in the purchase from the previous owner. It is paid for via a monthly lease. It worked well when the agency volume was 35 patients per month, but at 100 patients per month it is very cumbersome and labor intensive. It is a very manual program. There are no hard stops built into the documentation to drive compliance. Many hours are spent by staff manually faxing reports to providers. The Quality Assurance program is manual. The current cost is \$3,368 per month. A faxing option can be added at a cost of \$1,200 per month. This would bring the annual cost to \$54,816.</p> <p>Tiffany Salazar has requested that Homecare Homebase be purchased and implemented. She has used it extensively in previous locations. It is compliance driven, with hard stops, automated calculated frequencies and CMS guidelines and best practices built into the documentation. The auto fax feature is included. It notifies nurses of missed visits and vital sign alerts. It automatically calculates mileage and eliminates the need for staff to keep up with and request reimbursement on a manual basis. It is also a monthly lease. The annual cost for the lease is \$47,001. While this annual cost is less, there are up front costs of \$131,150 for license and installation. Some of this will be recouped in better staffing efficiencies. Additionally, the compliance based software should eliminate billing issues and denied claims, improving collections.</p> <p>It was noted that it may be necessary to purchase new tablets for the staff, if this software is unable to operate in the current iPads. If necessary, this quote will be presented to the Board in November.</p>	<p>Motion by Terry Franklin to approve purchase. Second by John Myrick. Motion Approved.</p>
<p>Equipment-C-Aram-31 CM CFD Super C. Cardiac. Touch.OEC Elite</p>	<p>The current C-Arm was purchased in 2014. It is a refurbished 2002 model. It can no longer be upgraded and the images are of low quality. It is proposed to purchase an Elite, CFD C-Arm from GE. This unit emits lower doses of x-ray and produces a much better quality image. It is also much easier to use for the technicians. It will do procedures that can't be done with the current unit. This unit is used extensively on pain management procedures. The cost is \$256,318, which includes a \$20,000 trade-in. This was budgeted for the next fiscal year, but is being moved to this fiscal year due to the need.</p>	<p>Motion by Terry Franklin to approve purchase. Second by John Myrick. Motion Approved.</p>
<p>Equipment-UVDI 360 Ultraviolet Light</p>	<p>Martin County Hospital purchased one UV light in March. This unit is utilized to clean rooms when they have been occupied by patients who are positive for COVID. It has also been used to sterilize masks and other equipment that can be reused if cleaned and sterilized properly. Staff is requesting the purchase of a second unit. The current increase in COVID patients is projected to continue for the next several months. If the UV light is not used to sterilize a room prior to cleaning, the room may sit for as long as 4 hours before staff can enter to clean the room. This wait time is required for the air borne particles to settle. The cost is \$64,750. This would be paid from COVID grant funds.</p>	<p>Motion by Terry Franklin to approve purchase. Second by John Myrick. Motion Approved.</p>
<p>Equipment-Cerner Interface for Novarad</p>	<p>The cost for an interface from Cerner to the new PACS system is \$23,500</p>	<p>Motion by John Myrick to approve report as presented. Second by Terry Franklin. Motion Approved.</p>

<p>Discuss and/or Act on Proposal for Emergency Department Addition to improve the process of screening and treatment of patients due to Covid</p>	<p>No action required at this time.</p>	
<p>Other Business</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>Executive Session</p>	<p>Entered into Executive Session at 1:09 p.m. Reentered back into Regular Session at 1:38 p.m.</p>	
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>1:39 p.m.</p>	



 Board of Directors President

11-30-2020

 Date



 Board of Directors Secretary

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