

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
SWEENEY HOSPITAL DISTRICT**

November 30, 2021

Time 18:00

Members Present: Mason Nichols, President; Scott Swift, Vice President;
Violet Weeks, Lisa Leal, Charlie Genella, Leeda Wood

Members Absent: Patti Foster, Secretary

Others Present: Enrique Leal, III, M.D.
Tom Ronayne
Raven Wuebker, The Facts
Brian Brooks

Employees Present: Kelly Park, Cindy Burge, Stuart Butler, Dana Quintanilla, Travis Alford,
Stephanie Crowder, Doug Smith, Sarah Hebert, Veronica Scott

1. **Call to Order** Mr. Nichols called the meeting to order at 1800.
2. The invocation was given by Charlie Genella.
3. **Record Members Present and Establish A Quorum**
There being 6 members present, a quorum was established.
4. **Public Comments**
Tom Ronayne commented he left a set of questions during the August board meeting for Ms. Park to respond to. He followed up with an email dated 10/27/2021. He said he still has not heard anything. He said the questions are regarding the new hospital build and what people would be interested to know. He feels that is unprofessional to get no response. He commented he still has the list and could provide it again and would like to get an answer.
5. **Review/Approve Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes:**
A. October 26, 2021 General Meeting
Ms. Weeks made a motion to approve the minutes from October 26, 2021.
Mr. Genella seconded the motion. Mr. Swift abstained, motion carried.
6. **Finance Committee Report**
Travis Alford gave overview of October 2021 financials. After discussion, Mr. Swift motioned to approve the October 2021 financials. Ms. Wood seconded the motion. Unanimous decision, motion carried.
7. **Old Business**
A. Replacement hospital update: Kelly Park
Ms. Park said the architects and Tellepsen construction company are having meetings offsite so when we get ready to do the design development meetings we will be on the same page and not spend a lot of time in the meetings.

Verbal agreement from Frost Bank was approved but we don't have the commitment letter yet. Until that letter is received, we don't want to talk numbers etc.

8. **New Business**

A. Frost Bank

(1) Consider and take action, if needed, regarding bank loan for new hospital

Mr. Nichols said regarding the bank loan for the hospital, we're going to table that since we don't have terms committed at this time. When we get them, maybe the next board meeting it can be review. The terms will need to be vetted by Ms. Park and her team first so we can answer all questions about the feasibility and things of that nature.

B. First State Bank of Louise

(1) Consider and take action for updated signature cards for all accounts

Mr. Nichols said since Noralene Corder retired we need to remove her from the bank signature cards.

Mr. Genella made the motion to remove interim CFO, Noralene Corder, as an authorized signer for all accounts associated with the Sweeny Hospital District at the First State Bank of Louise. Also remove her from all online banking access.

Ms. Wood seconded the motion. Unanimous decision, motion passed.

C. Miscellaneous Capital Requests

Ms. Park said one of the refrigerators in the lab that is 20 years old broke again after being repaired just 3 months ago costing over \$2000. The compressor is out now which would cost around \$3000. We don't want to continuing to put funds into the old unit. The lab has a new one they want for the new hospital which is a Fisherbrand isotemp general purpose laboratory refrigerator for \$8,762.40. They have room for it in this hospital and they know it will fit. Ms. Parks proposal is to purchase the new one and stop putting money into the old unit.

Ms. Weeks motioned to approve the purchase of the new refrigerator as proposed. Mr. Swift seconded the motion. Unanimous decision, motion carried.

9. **Board Committee Reports:**

A. Sweeny Community Hospital Foundation Board Update:

- Ms. Park said Dini Spheris has been re-activated for the capital campaign.
- Meeting was held between Dini Spheris, the architects and us regarding donors, names and naming rights yesterday. Contract activated for 11/15/21 to 12/15/21 then will start back up in January 2022 for 6 months and then re-visit at that time.

10. **Administrative Information Report – Kelly Park**

A. CEO Report

Updates were given on the following:

- Covid vaccine mandates and declination letters, meeting set for 12/7/2021 for review. Federal judge has put mandate on hold for now.
- Health Awareness Testing

B. Human Resources Report

Ms. Quintanilla gave report on the following:

- November turnover rate
- Open positions and interviews done

- Orientation for new employees in person

C. Emergency Medical Services Report:

Mr. Butler gave updates on:

- End of October and through November runs have been slow
- WBEMS & Fire Dept meeting
- Installation of Cerner med cabinets

D. Quarterly Quality and Compliance Update

Ms. Hebert gave report on the following:

- Press Ganey survey results received for surgery, ED, inpatient, and outpatient.
- Trophy for the guardian of excellence award for reaching the 99th percentile

10. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Nichols announced the Board would go into closed, Executive Session at 1837 to review the following:

- A.** Medical Staff Credentials
- B.** Discuss Personnel Matters
- C.** Discuss Deliberations Concerning Real Property

End of Executive Session


Went out of Executive Session at 2152.

11. Action regarding Executive Session:

- A.** Mr. Swift made a motion to approve medical staff credentials presented in Executive Session. Mr. Genella seconded the motion, Ms. Weeks voted no, motion passed.
- B.** Ms. Wood made a motion to give Ms. Park a raise and bonus. Mr. Genella seconded the motion, unanimous decision, motion passed.
- C.** Ms. Weeks made a motion to accept the highest bid received from Mr. Hutchings for Highway 524 property and give Ms. Park authority to take care of the paperwork for the sale. Mr. Swift seconded the motion, unanimous decision, motion passed.

12. Adjournment

Ms. Weeks moved for adjournment, seconded by Ms. Wood. Meeting adjourned at 2200.



Mason Nichols, President
Recorder: Cindy Burge