

TRINITY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
February 17, 2025-Monthly Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:24 p.m. by President Marjory Pulvino.

Board Members Present: **Marjory Pulvino, President**
Steve Hancock, Vice President
Cheryl Spearman, Secretary
Patricia Rogers
Randy Karnes
Laura Huffman
Michelle Medlock
Deana Shelly
Sunnie Frye

Board Members Absent: **None**

Others Present: **Billy Goodin, Executive Assistant to the Board**
Josh Abell, Administrator, MCMCT/MCMCC
Roxann Langston, DON, MCMCT/MCMCC
Orrin Hargrave, On-Point
Brian Gallier, HCA Houston Healthcare*
Connie Bryant, HCA Houston Healthcare*
Betsy Carney

*Denotes Guests that addressed the board

II. INVOCATION Steve Hancock provided the invocation.

III. PUBLIC FORUM-PUBLIC

Marjory Pulvino welcomed those in attendance and opened the floor for any discussions or questions. Connie Bryant announced her retirement from HCA Houston Healthcare and introduced her replacement, Brian Gallier. There were no other questions or comments presented during the Public Forum.

IV. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the monthly Board Meeting held on January 20, 2025, were reviewed by the Board.

Action: Cheryl Spearman made the motion to accept the minutes as written for the January 20, 2025 monthly Board meeting. Laura Huffman seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

The minutes of the special called Board meeting held on January 31, 2025 was reviewed by the Board.

Action: Cheryl Spearman made the motion to accept the minutes as written for the January 31, 2025 special called Board meeting and Laura Huffman seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

V. MIDCOAST REPORT-Josh Abell, Administrator MCMCT/MCMCC:

Josh reported that 432 patients were seen in our ER during the month. The survey came in showing problems with infection control oversight. Josh said that some changes have been made, and a new nurse was put in charge of infection control at our hospital.

He reported that the HVAC system is about 4 weeks out.

True Bridge is not doing a good job of collections. MidCoast is not happy with True Bridge and making demands, but with little progress being made. However, Josh is confident that a change might be coming.

Josh met with Congressman Trent Ashby. Congressman Ashby and his team are in the process of getting us help with Medicaid contracts and some other insurance contracts.

VI. PRESENTATION OF STATISICAL AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Monthly Financial Report

The Monthly Financial Report was distributed, and it was presented by Orrin Hargrave with OnPoint. Mr. Hargrave reported that tax percent collections for the month were at 28%. Mr. Hargrave also discussed the financial data as listed below, the Money Market Account balance and included the Pledge Report from the First National Bank of Trinity. Mr. Hargrave also presented an update on the TexasCLASS investment pool performance and the Quarterly Investment Report.

<u>Compilation of Financial Statements – Assets</u>	<u>January 31, 2025</u>
Cash on hand	\$ 250.00
Checking	\$ 354,987.05
TexasCLASS cash	\$ 99,313.13
Money market account FNB	\$ 115,813.08
Property taxes receivable	\$ 535,104.70
Less allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ (217,354.06)
Prepaid Insurance	\$ 27,496.68
 Total Current Assets	 \$ 915,610.58

For the current month Total Revenues were **\$668,451.56**, Total Operating Expenses were **\$505,194.46**. Operating Revenues in Excess of (Less Than) Expenses were **(\$163,257.10)**.

Action: Laura Huffman moved that the financial report be accepted by the Board. Deana Shelly seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

VII. PRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee: Presented by Marjory Pulvino, President:

President Marjory Pulvino stated that the January 31, 2025, special meeting was called to discuss the QIPP program. After a change in elected officials, the city of Ennis has chosen to no longer participate in the program. As a result, TMHD can take over the Parkwood Nursing home QIIPP. Also, TMHD is preparing to begin taking over the Groveton Nursing home QIPP program. By December, 2026, TMHD should have a net profit of \$325,019.95 from participating in the QIPP program if both programs are begun for year 9. That figure includes all interest paid for bank loans and payments to West Wharton County for overseeing the program for Trinity.

President Marjory Pulvino stated that Legions Bank in Bonham, Texas has been providing loans for many QIPP participants. After a discussion with Legions Bank representatives, Marjory was told that before lending the money, the bank will have to see the District's 2022-2024 audit reports. The bank representatives are questioning the net profit in 2022 and then later, a net loss. Marjory explained that we had saved tax money after the closing of the hospital in 2017. Prior to obtaining the hospital license, many expensive updates to the building were required. Our revenue decreased because we spent so much getting the hospital ready for opening. Legions Bank would like to see our latest figures, so Marjory is sending our Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Net Assets report to them.

B. Budget Committee: Presented by Deana Shelly

The committee reviewed the current cash position and cash needs for the rest of the month. The committee decided to move \$200,000 to Texas CLASS since the Board had a large amount of cash from January tax revenues.

C. Community Health Resource Center Report: Report by Cheryl Spearman

The CHRC meeting met on February 12. Ms. Bacon discussed her productivity log. She is still involved in many outreach activities and wanted us to know that she is out of supplies (freebies she gives out at her presentations). The committee told her that we want to look at her flyers to see what changes need to be made before we have more printed. Also, we asked her to present a list of what she would like to order, complete with the price of each item. Our committee will go through the list with her so a final list can be brought to the next hospital Board meeting for the hospital Board's approval.

As our committee was looking at her numbers on the productivity log, Ms. Bacon stressed how important food and supplies are to needy people. There are 4 food banks here. The Lion's club is hosting a car show to buy food for the food bank here. The Good Samaritan house and the Methodist resale shops are not operating anymore. Good Will is a business and charges for their items, so people are depending on churches for clothing, supplies and money for utilities and fuel. After Ms. Bacon has helped people with food, shelter and supplies they are expected to find a job to support themselves. Ms. Bacon works with Texas Workforce to help them secure employment and checks on them to help make sure they stay employed.

The committee discussed the veteran's programs. Ms. Bacon reported that there is a grant the Veterans program has received to help veterans pay their utility bills. They are not sure when this grant ends so veterans need to apply for it right away. She works very closely with their office in Trinity County.

Ms. Bacon is working on partnering with all the county resource agencies to host a County Health Resource fair to be held sometime between April and June here in Trinity. The advisory board members asked Ms. Bacon if our advisory meetings benefit her or is it mainly a reporting process. She said the hospital Board does want to know what she is doing because our hospital Board pays her salary, but she said there is a need for improvements in her program and that is why she needs the advisory committee's help.

D. Election Committee: Report by Cheryl Spearman

The election committee met on February 14, the day the application packets were due. The committee went through each of the incumbent's packets, checking for accuracy. No other packets were received by the 5:00pm deadline for turning in a packet. Priscilla Rasbeary, the county election administrator, was called and informed that each of the five incumbent candidates were unopposed. Billy will send the certification of unopposed status form to Priscilla who will sign it and return it to us. At our next regular Board meeting in March, we will accept the certification form, and issue the order cancelling the May 3, 2025 election. A copy of the order cancelling the election will be posted on election day at the polling place that would have been used for the election. The order will also be put on our website and Priscilla will post it on the county website. Cheryl expressed her thanks to the members of the election committee for their service and to Billy for his hard work gathering all the paperwork needed for the process.

D. Executive Assistant to the Board Report:

Billy Goodin presented the following report for the month.

Month: January 2025:

1. Petty Cash Report: Monthly Petty Cash Verification performed on 2/17/2025 Cash \$250.0, Receipts \$0.00, Checks \$0. for a total of \$250.00. Balanced to assigned total of \$250.00. Verified by Cheryl Spearman, TMHD Secretary.

2. Questions and Comments: None

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

At our last meeting Josh asked our Board to start thinking about starting a foundation. President Marjory asked Randy, Cheryl and Laura to help in that endeavor. So, Randy, Cheryl and Laura met Saturday, February 8, to discuss the process.

Randy said that he felt that hospital Board members do not need to be involved in serving on a foundation board, so we put together a list of people who will meet and discuss the formation. This

group will come up with ideas for how we want to start our foundation and how we want to sustain one.

A list of about 12 people was agreed on and Randy, Laura and Cheryl will personally contact each one to see if they would be willing to serve.

At the first meeting with the 12 people, Randy, Cheryl and Laura will need to explain to this group what a foundation is and why we want to establish one. The new foundation board will need to have officers, a mission, and bylaws. The importance of becoming a tax-exempt charity will need to be discussed and how that is going to happen. Tentatively, the initial meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, March 25, at 6:30 in our hospital cafeteria. We will serve light refreshments. Our committee of three decided that each of us would write out what we want to say to the new group at the March meeting.

Cheryl contacted the director of the El Campo hospital foundation board. Pam Hunt said their foundation was started by a group of local guys in the community in the 70's. Their foundation does not meet a lot and has about seven members on the Board. At one time, the foundation members hired a company to help with fund raising campaigns. They cannot afford the company anymore, so they hired Pam. She visits a lot of businesses and asks for donations. The El Campo Rotary club has given her a huge amount of money. She writes grants and has two foundation groups that give her money. She has raised money by having raffles, galas, golf tournaments. She also writes letters to hospital vendors asking for donations or sponsorships in her fund- raising events.

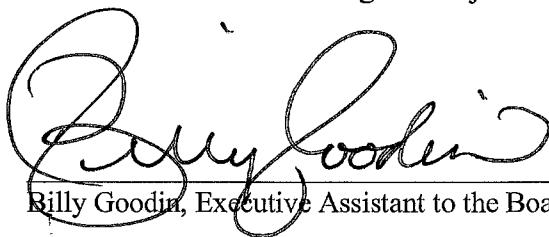
Cheryl visited Liz Johnson who started the Klein ISD school foundation to learn how she started it. Liz wants to zoom with Randy, Laura and Cheryl to give us her ideas. She said that she would be willing to come to our March meeting to give a presentation on how she started the school foundation.

X. ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED: No Closed Session Required

In Accordance with Section 551.072 of the Open Meetings Handbook, "Deliberations About Real Property" and Section 551.085. Deliberation by Governing Board of Certain Providers of Health Care Services.

XI. REOPEN MEETING FOR SUBSEQUENT ACTIONS – No Closed Session Required.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, Laura Huffman moved to adjourn the meeting; Cheryl Spearman seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Board. The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.



Billy Goodin, Executive Assistant to the Board

3-17-25

Date