## HUNT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

May 28, 2024

The Hunt Memorial Hospital District Board of Directors conducted a meeting on Tuesday, May 28, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at Hunt Regional Medical Center, sixth floor Homer Horton, Jr. Boardroom, 4215 Joe Ramsey Blvd., E., Greenville, Texas.

Dr. Pierce, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Mrs. Deborah Clack

Mr. Jefferson Helton

Mrs. Leslie Killgore

Mr. John C. Nelson, Jr. (Absent)

Mr. Wesley Oswald

Mrs. Janet Peek

Dr. Scott Pierce

Mr. Michael Taylor

Mrs. Julia Wensel (Absent)

comprising a quorum of the Board; also,

Mr. Steven Lee Boles, Jr., President/CEO

Mr. Stuart O'Neil, Vice President of Legal Affairs

Mr. Reese Hurley, MSN-Adm., RN, Vice President/CNO

Mr. Chad Martin, Vice President Clinic Operations

Ms. Brandi Isham, Vice President Coordinated Care/Quality/Medical Staff

Ms. Jamie Morgan, Vice President/CFO

Mr. Travis Potter, Vice President Business Development

Robert Deuell, M.D., Vice President of Medical Staff Affairs

Anthony Elisco, D.O., Chief of Staff

Ms. Rose Hayden, Marketing/Development & Communications Director

Mr. Peter Phillip, Royse City Construction Consultant

Ms. Cathleen Petroff, CTE Director, Royse City ISD

Ms. Lauren Jones, CTE Instructional Coach, Royse City ISD

Mr. Matt McMahan, Caddo Mills City Manager

Mr. Joel Richardson, Caddo Mills Assistant to the City Manager

Mr. Bret Freeman, Trauma Service Manager/EMS Director

Mr. Michael Sanchez, Assistant EMS Coordinator

Adoption Mr. O'Neil presented Order Number 355, an order certifying the the election for members of the Board of Directors of Hunt Memorial Hospital District; declaring the results of the election; and declaring certain individuals elected to the office of Hospital District Director.

The following individuals were unopposed as candidates for the offices of members of the Board of Directors of Hunt Memorial Hospital District from the precinct indicated, each of them is certified as having been unopposed in said election and each of them is declared to be duly elected as a member of the Board of Directors of Hunt Memorial Hospital District at the precinct indicated for the period beginning May 28, 2024 and ending on the uniform elected date stated below, to-wit:

Precinct One

Scott M. Pierce, D.O.

(Ending May 2028)

Julia Wensel

Precinct Three

Leslie C. Killgore

(Ending May 2028)

Michael E. Taylor

At-Large

John Cecil Nelson, Jr.

(Ending May 2028)

Two candidates filed for the one unexpired term position in Precinct Two and the following individual was certified to have received the highest number of votes and is declared to be duly elected as a member of the Board of Directors of Hunt Memorial Hospital District for the period beginning May 28, 2024 and ending on the uniform elected date stated below, to-wit:

Unexpired Term for

Wesley Oswald

Precinct Two

(Ending May 2026)

Mrs. Killgore moved, seconded by Mr. Helton, to adopt Order Number 355 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Pre-Oath

Pre-Oath statements were administered to Dr. Pierce, Mrs. Killgore,

**Statements** Mr. Taylor, and Mr. Oswald.

Administer

Oaths of office were administered to Dr. Pierce, Mrs. Killgore,

Oaths of

Mr. Taylor and Mr. Oswald.

Office

Election of

Officers

By general consent, Mr. O'Neil served as temporary Chair during the election of officers. Officers elected will serve a two (2) year term.

Chairman

Mr. Taylor nominated Dr. Pierce as Chairman, seconded by Mrs. Clack. There being no further nominations, Dr. Pierce was elected by acclamation.

Vice Chairman

Mrs. Peek nominated Mr. Taylor as Vice Chairman, seconded by Mrs. Killgore. There being no further

nominations, Mr. Taylor was elected by acclamation.

Secretary

Mrs. Peek nominated herself as Secretary, seconded

by Mrs. Clack. There being no further nominations, Mrs. Peek

was elected by acclamation.

Executive Committee

Mrs. Peek nominated Mrs. Clack as Executive Committee

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Member, seconded by Mr. Helton. There being no

Member

further nominations, Mrs. Clack was elected by acclamation.

Approval of

Minutes

Mr. Helton moved, seconded by Mrs. Peek, to approve the April 23, 2024 minutes as written. The motion carried unanimously.

**Medical Staff** 

Dr. Elisco reported Dr. Usman is ready to begin the Internal

Report

Medicine residency program in July and all is going well with the Medical

Staff.

Citizens to

There were no citizens to be heard on non-agenda items.

Be Heard

Public Testimony There were no members of the public present to address the Board of Directors regarding any item on the agenda before or during the Board's consideration of said items.

Unfinished Business

Mr. O'Neil presented an Agreement to Participate in the Reinvestment Zone Number One with the City of Caddo Mills, Texas. The agreement allows two Hospital Board members to serve on the TIRZ Board; the term is for 30 years at 50% for the first ten years, 10% of the 50% set aside for second ten years and 20% of the 50% set aside for the third ten years for the development of potential healthcare facilities and or related programs; and includes rollback provisions previously discussed.

Following the review, Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mrs. Clack, to

approve the Agreement to Participate in the Reinvestment Zone Number One with the City of Caddo Mills, Texas as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **New Business**

Royse City Update

Mr. Phillip discussed the amount of construction progress that has been made in spite of the constant torrential rain and reported two weeks of dry weather will be needed to place the roof on. Mr. Potter reported the color of the brick selected and ordered is not the same color after it is placed on the building and discussed the option of painting the brick if the color is found to be unacceptable.

## Customer Service Report

Ms. Petroff presented an overview of the Royse City Career & Technical Education Program (CTE) including a video of several students involved in their healthcare programs. Of the healthcare courses provided, the success of the EMT program was highlighted and Ms. Petroff expressed her appreciation of Michael Sanchez and his leadership. Following the overview, the Board thanked Ms. Petroff for her presentation.

Mr. Boles commended Travis Potter and Nicole Willis of Medical Partners for bringing a team together on short notice to complete approximately 1,000 school physicals for the Royse City athletes and band members.

### Consent Agenda

Mrs. Killgore moved, seconded by Mrs. Peek, to approve the following consent agenda items as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

To approve appointments, requests to change staff status, reappointments, and resignations for the Hunt Regional Medical Staff and Allied Health Professional Staff upon recommendation of the Board Credentials Review Committee.

To approve a physician employment contract for OB/GYN Services upon recommendation of the Executive Compliance Committee.

To approve \$416,135 for the construction of the Farmersville Urgent Care upon recommendation of the Finance/Budget Committee.

> To approve \$155,000 for the purchase of Siemens MRI software for Hunt Regional Open Imaging-Rockwall upon recommendation of the Finance/Budget Committee.

Action Items Opioid

Ms. Isham reported the State of Texas entered into a settlement agreement on the opioid crisis for \$1.6 billion and hospital districts are entitled to a portion of the money if declared and promised to use as **Resolution** designated, such as treatment and coordination of care, prevention and public safety recovery support services, or workforce development and training as it relates to opioids. The first payment to the hospital is expected this summer for approximately \$300,000. Following the overview, Mr. Helton moved, seconded by Mrs. Peek, to approve Resolution No. 356. a resolution providing that the Hospital District intends to accept funds distributed by the Texas Opioid Abatement Fund Council and to use those funds to remediate the opioid crisis as outlined. The motion carried unanimously.

**Royse City** ASC Proposal

The agenda item, "Royse City Ambulatory Surgery Center NexCore Proposal" may be considered following the Executive Session.

Annex Renovation **Proposal** 

Mr. Boles presented a proposal from TNT to renovate the annex medical office building for the Internal Medicine Residency Program outpatient clinic. TNT provided a bid of \$674,082.33 and due to recent changes to the scope of the project by Dr. Usman, the bid increased to \$731,928 which does not include equipment. The hospital requested Hunt County fund \$750,000 to renovate the clinic from the American Rescue Plan Act funds they received. It was noted the clinic is to open August 1. Following discussion, Mrs. Peek moved, seconded by Mr. Helton, to approve the \$750,000 budget as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Statements

Ms. Morgan presented the April 2024 financial statements and statistical data. Following review of the data, improved collections for April/May, and receipt of tobacco settlement funds, Mr. Oswald moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the April 2024 financial statements, subject to audit. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Strategic Initiatives Strategic initiatives may be discussed in Executive Session.

Chairman's

Dr. Pierce deferred his report.

Report

President/CEO

The following was reported:

Report

Mr. Martin reported Dr. Michael Gray, Family Medicine, will be joining Dr. Deuell and Dr. Deaton in Greenville and Dr. Mitra Doty, Family Medicine, will be going to Royse City later this summer. Dr. Joshua Young, Orthopedic Surgeon, recruited a year ago, had a recent medical event and passed away. Recruitment for an urologist is ongoing and will be expanded to include an orthopedic surgeon. A nurse practitioner with labor and delivery experience will be joining the Pediatric Clinic following completion of her training. A recommendation to recruit additional internists with the Royse City development and the resignation of Dr. Ngishu was discussed.

Mr. Boles reported in May there were staff celebrations the first two weeks in May with Courtney Wylesky, RN, ER Shift Manager, being named Nurse of the Year during Nurses Week and the annual service awards for our employees with years of service from 5 to 40 years recognized during Hospital Week. The following Pillar Awards were presented during the Service Award luncheon:

Growth: Urgent Care Service Line

People: Cerner Conversion Coordinators: Nancy Rodriguez

and Courtney Patterson

Quality: Hunt Regional Medical Partners Clinic Managers

and Population Management Team

Service: Financial Counselors

**Finance:** Lori Murphy, Accounts Payable Manager **Community:** Danny Allembaugh, Executive Director of

Senior Center Resources & Public Transit

Mr. Hurley reported fifth floor passed the State inspection two weeks ago. One call station was required to be added prior to opening the 11 bed unit last Wednesday.

Mr. Hurley reviewed the NurseDash program now being used in place of nurse staffing agencies to supplement staff when needed at a reduced cost and without a commitment to a long term contract.

Mr. Hurley reported he, Brandi Isham and Chad Martin attended a Cerner Community Works Forum earlier this month and met with Oracle Executives to discuss our continued issues and concerns related to the Cerner EHR system of which they are aware. The physician offices and laboratory are scheduled to go live with Cerner August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Boles reported the hospital has a request pending with Hunt County for use of their American Rescue Plan Act funds for our Internal Medicine Residency Program.

Strategic Planning will be discussed in Executive Session.

## Compliance Report

Mr. O'Neil reported new conflict of interest forms will be sent out and requested each board member complete and return by the next Board meeting. He presented the Compliance Report for the first guarter (January through March) 2024. A total of 274 employees completed compliance training; sanction checks for the quarter totaled 286 and were completed prior to start dates and were negative. Medical Staff appointments/reappointments: there were ten in January, 19 in February and 6 in March. There were no hotline/investigation reports received in the first quarter; there were a total of five exit interview questions with concerns for the quarter, one in January was investigated and found to be an HR issue, three in February of which two were HR issues and addressed appropriately and the other was a HIPAA concern, investigated and determined to be a non-issue and one in March which was investigated and found to be a HR issue; and there were three physician compensation agreements approved in January, none in February and employment agreements for the Hospitalists and Intensivists were reviewed and approved in March. He reported the Executive Compliance Committee will begin the process within the next few months of reviewing and updating the current compliance policies and procedures. Following the overview, there were no questions and the report was accepted.

# Executive Session

An Executive Session was held under Texas Government Code §551.071, §551.072 and §551.085. Following the Executive Session the following action was taken.

**Royse City** 

Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mrs. Clack, to continue negotiations

ASC

with NexCore to build out an Ambulatory Surgery Center in Royse City.

**NexCore** 

The motion carried unanimously.

Proposal

**Adjournment** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

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Secretary

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