

**MINUTES FOR:
CASS COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY BOARD MEETING**

January 27, 2025

In attendance: Dr. James Wierman (Board Chairperson), Vicki Vaughn (Board Member), Mercedes Schirripa (Administrator), Jenna Badner (Controller), Rayann Franco (Recording Minutes).

Came out of recess at 10:07 a.m.

Guests: Rie Shimada, Lynda Newton

Public Comment: None

Additions/deletions to Agenda: None

Vicki Vaughn made the motion that the agenda be accepted as presented. Dr. James Wierman supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Vicki Vaughn made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Dr. James Wierman supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Lynda Newton reported that education was provided to staff for emergency protocol and chain of command. Lynda Newton stated that the nursing team continues to work on past non-compliance documentation for ADL's, falls, wounds, UTI and catheters. Restorative aides have been reinstated. Residents are walking to the dining room with the aides. Residents can also participate in restorative group activities. Lynda Newton also reported that Dr. Rivas is making rounds for wounds and five nurses are doing an on-line wound program.

The check register was reviewed. Vicki Vaughn made the motion to approve the checks in the amount of \$521,310.79 and the direct payments of \$242,459.20. Dr. James Wierman supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. James Wierman made the motion to approve the bad debt write offs. Vicki Vaughn supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mercedes Schirripa provided the costs associated with the direct care worker wages. The facility is only being reimbursed for less than half of the total cost. Dr. James Wierman made the motion to pay the nursing staff \$3.40 and all other employees will receive \$0.85 per hour worked as reimbursed by the state. Vicki Vaughn supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Rayann Franco provided a report for Corporate Compliance. Orders were not signed timely by Theoria providers. Theoria will run a weekly report to monitor orders and send out emails to providers who have not signed orders.

Mercedes Schirripa reported that there were 14 staff members and 15 residents with COVID this month.

Mercedes Schirripa stated that a review of policies found that we were not following policies regarding our dress code and overtime for salaried employees. The board supported enforcing the current policies.

Mercedes Schirripa stated that she was receiving calls regarding the farm contract for the tillable land. Dr. James Wierman stated that he will take the contract to the Board of Commissioners.

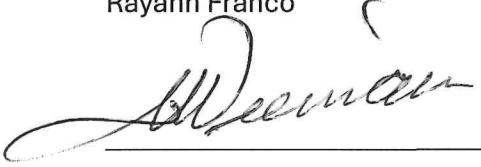
Mercedes Schirripa provided an administrator's report. She stated that she was granted a survey waiver for the next three years. Mercedes Schirripa reported that we will be rebilling Medicaid which will bring in additional revenue. New contracts for the internet and printers have been signed. Mercedes Schirripa informed the board that the current snowplow contract does not include salting.

Mercedes Schirripa stated that the millage will be on the August ballot. A campaign committee will be created.

Recess starting at 11:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Rayann Franco



(Board Chairperson)



(Administrator)