

**CASTRO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY MEETING
January 30, 2025**

PLACE: Ettie McDermitt Education Room at Plains Memorial Hospital

BOARD PRESENT: Jim Bradford, Chairman; Zach Smith, Vice-Chairman; Shelley Bills, Secretary; Kim Birkenfeld, Member; Martha Ibarra, Member

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Elisha Rosier, CEO; Laura Case, CFO; Mitchell Brockman, QEC; Olivia Herrera, Administrative Assistant

MEDICAL STAFF PRESENT: None.

GUESTS PRESENT: Cody Cleavinger, FUB Senior Vice-President

PUBLIC PRESENT: None.

1. Called to order at 12:21 PM. Prayer led by Olivia Herrera. Mission and Vision Statement was read by Mitchell Brockman.

2. Public Comments: None

3. Review of 1st Quarter Fiscal Year 2025 Statistics:

Laura Case reviewed the monthly operating statistics with the board members.

Total Patient Days decreased for the first part of this year.

Total Clinic Visits also were down from last year but the flu season is just now hitting so those stats should be going up.

Pain Management visits and Observation hours were included in the stats due to being a factor for the Cost Report. Pain Management visits were up from the start of October 2024. So far, we have had 153 visits. Observation hours were also up from October 2024.

ER visits stayed pretty consistent with last year's numbers.

Labs performed were down, due to the machine being down for a time.

Radiology tests were up by 86.

Laura also projects receiving \$1.39M over the 10 year Seaway Wind Abatement period.

4. Resolution for Dimmitt Pharmacy Loan:

The resolution was approved by the board to continue the loan for the purchase of the pharmacy.

This will need to be renewed on a yearly basis until the loan is paid off.

Kim made the motion to approve the Resolution for the Pharmacy. Martha followed

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with a second motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Shelley abstained from voting.

5. Approval to Call for Board Member Election:

The board approved to call for the May 3, 2025 Election for Political Subdivisions.

Martha made the motion to call the election. Kim followed with a second motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

6. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of 12/3/2024 Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Quarterly Review of Pledged Securities
- c. Approval of Destruction of Records

The board approved the consent agenda as presented. Zach made the motion to approve. Kim followed with a second motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

7. General Information:

- a. Departmental Monthly Reports
- b. Thank You Notes

Jim asked the board to review the general information in their leisure time.

8. Medical Staff:

- a. Review 12/10/2024 Med Staff Minutes
- b. Request Appointment to Temporary ER Privileges: Afshin Edrissi, DO;
- c. Request Reappointment to ER Staff: Roger Malone, MD
- d. Request Appointment to ER Staff: Nathan Stratton, MD; Keith Powell, PA; Kamaria Shafeek, PA-C; Brandon Sue, PA
- e. Request Appointment to Consulting Radiology: April Bailey, MD; John Andrew, MD; William W. Davis, MD
- f. Request Appointment to Provisional Privileges: Milos Mihajlovic, MD

The board reviewed the Medical Staff items and approved the physicians listed for appointments.

Shelley made the motion to approve. Zach made the second motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

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9. Administrator's Report:

Elisha reported that Dr. Milos has started taking on ER shifts. We are hoping he will start full time in March. Elisha also let the board know that she is thinking about recruiting a Family Physician to offset Dr. Milos in the ER and on the floor.

Dr. Milos has requested to be our TeleHealth Hospitalist when he is not onsite. He wants to see more patients admitted instead of being transferred or sent home by the ER Locum. Dr. Milos has made himself available to the nursing staff when it comes to patient concern. Elisha is reviewing the idea of having Dr. Aldeen and Dr. Saadaldin on call back-up for Dr. Milos, but will need to have this conversation with the providers.

Elisha also reported that we will use Fortenberry Roofing to replace the roof at CVL.

Elisha presented Health Connect to the board. Health Connect is a Grant Program supported by TORCH. This program is an advocate for Community Outreach for hospitals. The program would help start strategic planning for the community by doing a survey to see what is needed in our community in healthcare. The project would take 12-14 months and would cost us around \$14K after grant money has been issued to us. Elisha thinks it is a valuable resource and is honored to have been asked by TORCH to participate in it as the elected hospital has to be in good financial stability.

Shelley made the motion to approve Health Connect. Zach motioned second. All in favor. Motion carried.

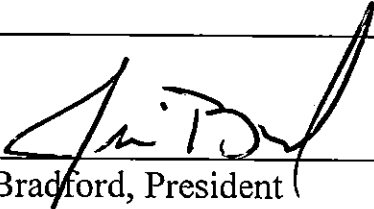
10. Executive Session: Entered Executive Session at 1:08PM.

- a. Quality & Regulatory Compliance
- b. Personnel. Consider and Discuss Personnel Matters Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 511.074

Exited Executive Session at 1:26PM. No motions made or votes taken in Executive Session.

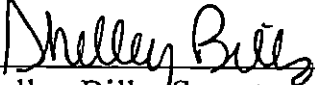
11. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 1:26PM. Kim made the motion to adjourn. Shelley made the second motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

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