

MINUTES OF  
THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITRUS COUNTY HOSPITAL BOARD

**JANUARY 22, 2018 6:00 P.M.**

**(1) CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Citrus County Hospital Board of Trustees was held Monday, **January 22, 2018**, in the Conference Room of the Annex Building located at 123 S. Pine Ave., Inverness, Florida. Chairwoman Ressler called the meeting to order at 6:00P.M.

**(2) PUBLISHED MEETING LEGAL NOTICE**

*(Agenda & Published Legal notice Copies On File)*

**(3) QUORUM PRESENT**

**(4) ATTENDANCE**

Board Members: Debbie Ressler (Chairwoman), Allan Bartell (Trustee), Rick Harper (Trustee), Dr. Jeff Wallis (Secretary/Treasurer) and Dr. Mark Fallows (Vice-Chairperson).

Also in attendance:

William Grant, Esq. (General Counsel)  
Taylor Ford, Esq.  
Karla Dozier (Chief Administrative Officer)

Members of the Public: Tica Harper.

Mrs. Ressler stated the CCHB Mission.

**(5) PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**(6) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Dr. Wallis, second by Mr. Harper to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2017 Regular Meeting. After discussion, the Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

**(7) FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

a) Approval of the Finance Report for November & December 2017: Mrs. Ressler presented the CCHB Finance Report for November and December 2017. *(Copy on file)*

**MOTION** by Dr. Wallis, second by Mr. Harper to approve the Finance Report for November and December 2017. The Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

b) Approval of the Citrus County Hospital Board Invoices:

Mrs. Ressler presented the invoices for December 2017 and January 2018. (Copy on file)

**MOTION** by Dr. Fallows, second by Mr. Bartell to approve payment of the invoices for December 2017 and January 2018 as presented. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

c) Other:

Mr. Harper presented to the Board the email from Cadence Bank regarding the interest rates offer by the Bank. (Copy on file)

Discussion ensued and the Board authorized Mrs. Ressler to deposit the money in the Bank with the highest interest rates to maximize tax payer benefit.

(8) COMMENCE ATTORNEY CLIENT EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING

Previously scheduled Attorney Client Executive Session meeting was canceled.

(9) LEGAL

Mr. Grant informed the Board that the Foundation Resolution Corporation (FRC) settled another Worker's Compensation case and the FRC is requesting authorization of payment (see FRC AP list).

The Board asked Mr. Grant to request information of the FRC as to the status of the number remaining cases of Worker's Compensation.

Mr. Grant noted that the indemnification claim made by HCA for the payment of property taxes on behalf of Inverness Surgical Association (ISA) that was paid, has been in the works with the Property Appraiser. CCHB will either get the money back and reimburse HCA for the 10 months, because the CCHB and the CMHF/FRC were exempt from paying property taxes.

Also the CCHB will continue helping the RBOI to facilitate the buying of the property. We are also working with the County.

Mr. Grant addressed the ruling made by Judge Thomas in the Public Records Request case. Mr. Grant stated that the Amended Complaint will be filed and potentially a Motion for Reconsideration. Mr. Grant also requested the Board to acquire an Attorney General opinion.

**MOTION** by Dr. Wallis, second by Mr. Harper to request an Attorney General Opinion regarding public records matters. After discussion, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Attorney Ford discussed the findings in the data obtained from AON and calculate the day by day the Liability Driving Investment (LDI) fluctuations.

Again, a deposit was made in error to the JP Morgan Citrus Escrow account. Mr. Grant requested the Board's direction to address this issue. (Copy on file)

**MOTION** by Dr. Wallis, second by Mr. Harper to request a joint review of signatories of the JP Morgan Citrus Escrow account and to seek a new escrow agent to transfer the escrow proceeds from the JP Morgan escrow account to another escrow agent. After discussion, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Mr. Grant informed the CCHB that he requested information from the FRC in the event FRC intends for Attorney Dixon continue doing work for the FRC. After all the pension payments matters are done, the balance In SunTrust Pension account will be released to the CCHB/FRC.

Also the Trustees inquired of how long will take until the FRC is completely close. Mr. Grant stated that until the entire worker's compensation cases are done, indemnification claims, etc; the FRC will continue receiving invoices and make payments.

Mr. Grant informed the Board that Attorney Schapira will request AHCA by Petition for Formal Administrative Hearing and a Motion to Stay Recoupment. Also Attorney Schapira noted that her team completed the Fiscal Year End 2013 spreadsheets and they hope will reveal more money owed to the CCHB. Attorney Schapira will confirm before filing the pleadings.

Mr. Grant also informed that the time frame to contest the request from BCBS for overpayment expired a long time ago and Attorney Schapira review the claims and times and recommended that the FRC settle the payment for not more the \$70K due to FRC conduct and failure to contest timely alleged overpayments.

**MOTION** by Dr. Fallows, second by Dr. Wallis to settle all issues with Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) their request for overpayments up to maximum of \$70K . After discussion, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

We received the new office lease from HCA with the changes proposed by Mr. Harper. After reviewing, the Attorneys recommended some minor changes. Mr. Grant or Mr. Ford will contact Ms. Brooks.

#### **(10) UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

➤ **Foundation Resolution Corporation Update:** Mrs. Ressler presented to the Board an updated list of the Foundation's invoices. (Attached copy)

**MOTION** by Mr. Bartell, second by Mr. Harper to approve the updated list of FRC invoices. After discussion, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

➤ **Citrus County Community Charitable Foundation (CCCCF) Update:** Dr. Wallis commented that the CCCCCF received the 3.7M sent by the CCHB from the money released from the indemnity escrow by CCHB/FRC/HCA.

Mrs. Ressler expressed her concerns regarding the timing of the CCCCCF public notice for their meeting on January 18, 2017. After discussion, Mr. Grant will contact the CCCCCF Attorney and present the CCHB concerns and strive to assure CCCCCF follows Florida's Sunshine laws: F.S. 286 and F.S. 119.

➤ **Real Estate Update:** Mrs. Ressler read aloud to the CCHB an email sent by JW. Morton (Copy on file) regarding the update of the 2 properties the Board has for sale in Crystal River.

#### **(11) NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Ressler informed the Board that HCA will start the Emergency Room renovation with a three (3) phase plan and the capital improvements will be completed by next year. Also, that Mr. Marmarstein will retire this year and that all wish him a farewell.

The Hospital in December 2017 had the highest number of admissions since the lease.

#### **(12) TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

None.

**(13) OTHER**

Mrs. Ressler presented to the Board a summary of the interest amount made to date by the CDRAS that the Board has on deposit at Cadence Bank. *(Attached copy)*

Mrs. Ressler also presented a summary of the interest money that was made by the two (2) Escrow accounts and sent to the CCCCf since November 2014 through December 2017. *(Attached copy)*

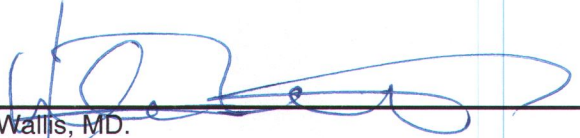
**(14) NEXT SCHEDULE MEETING DATE**

The Board scheduled a Special Meeting for Monday, February 05, 2018 at 6:00pm at the Conference Room of the Law Office of Grant & Dozier.

**(15) ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by *Dr. Fallows*, second by *Mr. Harper* to adjourn the meeting, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Jeff Wallis, MD.  
Secretary/Treasurer

01.22.18 Minutes Copy on File:

1. Agenda & Public Notice
2. CCHB Finance Report
3. CCHB list of Invoices
4. Email update from Century21 JW Morton

01.22.18 Minutes Attached copy

1. Update FRC list of invoices
2. Summary of CDARS
3. Summary of CCCCf Interest Escrow Accounts