

## DOUGLAS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER/COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

## Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 31, 2023

Douglas County Health Center/Community Mental Health Center 4102 Woolworth Avenue

I. Call to Order Chair Borgeson called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and stated that the meeting was being

conducted in compliance with Nebraska's Open Meetings law, a copy of which is located on the

back wall.

Chair Borgeson called the roll at 8:30 a.m. Chair Borgeson, Trustees Cavanaugh, Friend, Garcia,

Morgan and Rodgers were present for the meeting. Vice Chair Boyle arrived after Call of Order

and Consent Agenda.

II. Consent Agenda Chair Borgeson called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda at 8:32 a.m. Trustee Friend

moved and Trustee Morgan seconded. Yeas: Borgeson, Cavanaugh, Friend, Garcia, Morgan and

Rodgers voted. Motion passed.

III. Citizen Comments Chair Borgeson called for members of the audience to be heard regarding any item not on the

agenda.

IV. Action No items on the agenda.

**V. Discussion** No items on the agenda.

VI. DCHC/CMHC Routine Reports

& Updates

a. Admin Update Erin Nelson is speaking.

Ms Nelson provided a summary of the vaccine for RSV and shingles that were offered to residents and an update on the proposed federal staffing mandates for nursing homes. She reported the funding from LB1014 ARPA funding for retention and recruitment has been received. She also advised of the new provider network, Nebraska Health Care Quality Partners, for Medicaid services. She provided an update on the infrastructure issues at DCHC. Ms Nelson provided an update on the current census and occupancy, payor recap, current FTE's and staff numbers. She also included plans for recruitment and retention of staff.

There was further discussion about the infrastructure updates, working with Public Properties and future ARPA funding that will be available and the potential to expand bed capacity on the  $4^{th}$  floor.



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b. CMHC Routine Reports including COVID-19
Update

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Sara Baker is speaking.

Ms Baker provided September highlights for the inpatient unit regarding medical screening, patient demographics, payer and referral sources, length of stay and discharge status and primary and secondary diagnoses. Readmission rate decreased to 4%. Ms Baker also reviewed Inpatient admissions and occupancy, discharges, average length of stay. For the outpatient clinic, she provided data for program admissions, triage, nurse, MD/APRN and therapist appointments. Nursing appointments increased due to lab work and injectables.

9:00 AM

Ms Baker advised that they are still experiencing shortage of staff. Staff is currently working with local universities and social services outreach to inform about CMHC, as well as using some Region 6 funding to do some employee appreciation activities and moral enhancements.

VII. Executive Session There was no need for an executive session.

VIII. Adjourn Chair Borgeson adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 a.m.

Next meeting will be held on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the Douglas County Health Center.