



# DOUGLAS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER/COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

## Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes for Monday, November 17, 2025

Douglas County Health Center  
4102 Woolworth Ave, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Town Hall, Omaha NE 68105

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### I. Call to Order

Chair Garcia called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and stated that the meeting was conducted in compliance with Nebraska's Open Meetings law, a copy of which is located on the east wall.

Chair Garcia called for the roll at 9:01 am. Chair Garcia, Vice Chair Cavanaugh, Trustees Borgeson, Fahey, Friend, Morgan and Rodgers were present for the call to order.

### II. Consent Agenda

Chair Garcia called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda at 9:02 am. Trustee Friend made a motion and Trustee Morgan seconded it. Yeas: Borgeson, Cavanaugh, Fahey, Friend, Garcia, Morgan and Rodgers. Motion passed.

### III. Citizen Comments

Chair Garcia asked if any members of the audience would like to comment in person or online.

### IV. Action

No items on the agenda.

### V. Discussion

No items on the agenda.

### VI. DCHC/CMHC Updates

#### a. Admin Update

Speaking is DeDe Will.

Ms Will provided operational highlights regarding the NetSmart system, a new DOTComm employee located at DCHC and the new DHHS Healthcare Licensure Administrator. She also shared details about Giving Tuesday and a garden party the Douglas County Health Center Foundation will be hosting on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ms Will reviewed the current census and occupancy, staffing levels, turnover rates, and a financial update for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of budget year 2026. She also shared the pumpkin decorating contest winners, the details of the Resident Veterans Appreciation Lunch and the Trick or Treat event hosted by residents for employees and their families and the CURE Committee sponsored free hot beverages from a coffee barista, Sleepless from Seattle, for employee appreciation along with photos of all the events.

#### b. CMHC Update

Speaking is Sherry Driver.

Ms Driver introduced the new Fiscal and Contract Director, Robin Eichelberger.

Ms Driver provided October highlights for the psychiatric inpatient unit regarding medical screening, referral sources, legal status, discharge status and inpatient payor majority sources including breakdown of Medicare and Medicaid and primary and secondary diagnoses. She disclosed that the PICU was closed for 2 weeks due to pipe repairs. For inpatients, she reviewed the average length of stay, inpatient discharges and occupancy. Also presented were

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in The Daily Record, a legal newspaper. The notice advised that an agenda kept current was available for public inspection in the Office of the Administrator of Douglas County Health Center.



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the readmission rates for 30 day, which included minimum and maximum days, average days to readmission and the legal status at discharge.

For the outpatient program, Ms. Driver continued to review occupancy rates, discharges and length of stay. For the outpatient clinic, she provided data for program admissions, triage, nurse, MD/APRN and therapist appointments, In collaboration with the Department of Corrections, she provided Mental Health Diversion, Familiar Faces Program and Emergency Community Support Services. She noted that the Day Treatment Program is to prevent psychiatric hospitalization or a stepdown from psychiatric hospitalization. She reported on the admissions for the Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) and the number of admissions divided by male and female and their annual income. Regarding the Detoxification program, the average length of stay was reported. Staff have added for north and south admissions the client demographic for the percentage of clients reporting incarceration within 30 days. Ms Driver advised on the medication distribution report that the county contributes 12% of the cost for psychotropic medications; all other costs are paid from other sources.

Discussion was held regarding resources and capacity available and if there is a need for more space to serve a larger number of clients. A discussion was also held on the types of services available when clients are discharged, clarification on some of the reports and a request was made for additional data.

#### **VII. Executive Session**

Chair Garcia announced that an executive closed-door session will be required.

Chair Garcia called for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Morgan made a motion and Trustee Friend seconded it. Chair Garcia, Vice Chair Cavanaugh, Trustees Borgeson, Fahey, Friend, Morgan and Rodgers. Motion passed. The Board adjourned at 9:38 am.

#### **VIII. Adjourn**

The Board reconvened at approximately 10:20 am. Chair Garcia called for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Borgeson made a motion to adjourn; Vice Chair Cavanaugh seconded it. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:21 am.

**Next meeting will be held on Monday, December 15, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at the Douglas County Health Center.**