

**Trempealeau County Health Care Center
Board of Trustees Meeting**

TIME: Wednesday, May 25, 2016
12:00 noon

LOCATION: Trempealeau County Health Care Center
Four Seasons Room
20298 State Road 121
Whitehall, WI 54773

PRESENT: Board of Trustees: Barb Gronemus, Ernest Vold, Edythe Hirner, and Douglas Winters.
Staff: Mary Gullicksrud, Rosemarie Thesing, Jerry Deetz and Curtis Johnson
Others: Pete Filla and Laura Englesby

Agenda/Actions

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:15 pm by President Douglas Winters who certified compliance with open meeting rules.
2. Agenda- A motion was made and seconded to approve the 14 item agenda as per revision 1. Carried.
3. Minutes- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2016 regular meeting. Carried.
4. Review of partial expenditures for April and May 2016 was presented for approval for payment. A motion was made and seconded to approve vouchers # 55154 through 55211, 55212 through 55334 and 55335 to 55345, as presented. There was discussion and review. Motion Carried.
5. Ms. Gullicksrud distributed a draft Memorandum of Understanding relative to the function and operation of the Farm Progress Park. Trempealeau County Parks, Tourism and Economic Development Committee has drafted this with TCHCC input and seeks to finalize this understanding. On a proper motion and second this document as presented was approved.
6. Ms. Gullicksrud noted a Social Service Student Intern did her practicum research project with TCHCC, the title being "Practicum Research: Leadership and Work Ethic". Ms. Gullicksrud distributed report then briefly reviewed the results. TCHCC thanks the student for including our organization in the research.
7. Ms. Gullicksrud noted updated CMS ratings had been released. Both TCHCC and PFHCC remain as 5 star overall ratings.

8. Ms. Gullicksrud noted that TCHCC had been notified of receipt of the Wisconsin Public Service Commission Grants for 2016 and the facility received one which covers 7 stations tele video and 250 tablets in the amount of \$70,320.00. The tablets will be used as instructional media for clients as they recover and return to home or other living quarters. Design will be as self-help as they return to the previous life style.
9. Ms. Gullicksrud shared report and press releases from LeadingAge showing the very low reimbursement level of costs for nursing homes and the potential impact on retaining and recruiting new staff. LeadingAge has joined with several other long term care professional organization to inform the public and legislative members on the long-term care workforce crisis and that offering competitive wages and benefits is part of the problem. Contributing factors include inadequate Medicaid reimbursement which leads to a \$55.89 loss each day for an estimated 16,400 Medicaid residents in Wisconsin. The documents were reviewed with further information coming to the Board in the future.
10. Ms. Gullicksrud noted progress continued on new facility and will have idea of occupancy dates in June.
11. Mr. Deetz noted that the state had conducted a complaint survey but findings were the complaint issue was unsubstantiated.
12. Ms. Gullicksrud noted that WCWBHC had been recognized at the 10 year anniversary dinner of the Recovery Court under the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.
13. Next meeting date is June 22, 2016 at Four Seasons Room.
14. Adjourn: On proper motion and second the meeting was adjourned at 1:13 pm.

Michelle Haines
Michelle Haines, Secretary

June 22 2016
Date