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1) The Regular Board Meeting was called to order on Tuesday December 17, 2024, at 5:16 p.m.

2) Roll Call

Board Members Present

Liz Dahl – Linden Grove Don Potter – Unorganized St. Louis County Barb Johnson – City of Orr John Stegmeir – Kabetogama Shirley Conaway – Camp 5 Theresa Martinson – Angora Marge Hyppa – Owens Judy Pearson – Beatty Mike Enzmann – Field Denise Parson – Willow Valley Eric Pederson - City of Cook

Board Members Excused

Shirley Sanborn – Crane Lake Kathy Weiand – Portage Wendy Long – Leiding Karen Baxter – Unorganized St. Louis County

Staff Members Present

Teresa Debevec - CEO Kaylee Hoard – CFO Stephanie Maki – Human Resources Director

3) Pledge of Allegiance

4) Approval of Minutes – 12/17/2024

• A <u>recommendation</u> was made to approve November 13, 2024, regular board meeting minutes as presented. All in favor.

The motion passed unanimously.

5) Administrators Report – Teresa Debevec

- We continue to recruit several positions throughout the facility.
- An official letter of retirement was provided by our Pharmacy Director, Tony Menart. Tony has
 been a wonderful asset to our team, and we will miss him dearly. We have an interested candidate
 to fill his role and will make an official offer.
- Custom Learning sessions for our Service Excellence Advisors are being held this week and will be holding a graduation for them on Wednesday.
- Vital Research was on-site to conduct research on quality of life for our residents, we will have an official report in Summer of 2025.
- Legal action was taken against the Nursing Home Workforce Standards Board on December 10, 2024, to file a motion seeking preliminary injunction blocking enforcement of the holiday pay rule



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as passed by the NHWSB. On December 13, 2024, the judge held a pre-hearing conference, the judge informed the parties that a hearing will not be held before January 1, 2025. The facility will be required to move forward with the holiday rule until the final ruling takes effect.

• Debevec will begin orientation for the two new board members in January.

6) Committee Reports

• Executive Committee – 12/17/2024 – Liz Dahl

- o The MHA Trustee Conference will be held January 8-10, 2025; if any board members would like to attend, let Teresa know.
- O The Executive Committee made a recommendation to approve the hire of a Physicians Assistant for coverage in our Emergency Room due to a temporary reduction in physician coverage.
 - Motion Carried Unanimously

• Finance Committee – 12/17/2024

- o A recommendation was made by the Finance Committee to approve the 2025 Facility Budget with a net income of \$45,400.00.
 - (MCU) All in Favor

7) Credentialing – No Meeting

8) Strategic Planning Updates - Teresa Debevec

• Debevec and Hoard attended a virtual education session with the Rural Health Redesign Center and are waiting on a meeting date to review the financial analysis.

9) Record Retention Policy - Teresa Debevec - Action Needed

- Debevec provided the changes to the Record Retention Policy.
 - o JP/MH (MCU)

10) Bylaws – Liz Dahl

• Dahl informed the board Debevec is reviewing the bylaws for the facility, a vote will take place in January.

11) Governing Board Policies – Liz Dahl

Dahl informed the board to review the Governing Board policies, a vote will take place in January.



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12) Board Officer Election - Liz Dahl - Action Needed

• Nomination - Board Chair

- o Liz Dahl Accept
 - A recommendation was made and carried out to elect Liz Dahl for a term of 2 years as Board Chair. Nominations from the floor were presented 3 times with no other nominations.

• Nomination – Vice Chair

- o Judy Pearson Accept
- o Eric Pederson Decline
- o Don Potter Decline
 - A recommendation was made to elect Judy Pearson for a term of 2 years for position of chair elect. Nominations from the floor were presented 3 times.

• Nomination – Clerk

- o Eric Pederson Accept
- John Stegmeir Decline
 - A recommendation was made to elect Eric Pederson for a term of 2 years for position of Clerk. Nominations from the floor were presented 3 times.

• Nomination – Treasurer

- Mike Enzmann Accept
 - A recommendation was made to elect Mike Enzmann for a term of 2 years for position of Treasure. Nominations from the floor were presented 3 times.

Motion Carried Unanimously

13) Next Board Meeting - 01/28/2025

14) Questions or comments

15) Board Meeting Evaluations - Liz Dahl

• Provide meeting feedback to Debevec or Dahl

16) Adjourn – Liz Dahl

• At 6:03, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Eric Pederson, seconded by Don Potter.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Stephanie Maki, Human Resources Director - Approved by Teresa Debevec.