# NORTH RUNNELS HOSPITAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES FOR 11-18-2024

On November 18, 2024 after due notice to the public as evidenced by the attached copy of the Notice and Agenda The Board of Directors of North Runnels Hospital met in regular session at 6:00 pm at North Runnels Medical Clinic, 7571 State Hwy. 153 Winters, TX with the following directors present:

President David Hoelscher

**Director Gary Jacob** 

Director Esteban Esquivel

Vice-President Bobbie Collom

Secretary Alicia Colburn

**Director Johnny Bob Pritchard** 

Director Elect Jackie Black

1. Convene Meeting

President David Hoelscher convened the meeting at 6pm and Gary Jacob offered prayer.

2. Roll Call

Director Melinda Meyers was absent.

3. Public Input

No public input.

4. Approval of minutes

Motion by Johnny Bob Pritchard, seconded by Bobbie Collom to approve the October 2024 minutes as printed. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Canvas November 5, 2024 North Runnels County Hospital District Board of Director's Election

Runnels County General Election totals for the North Runnels County Hospital District were presented as follows: Jackie Black 429, Gary Jacob 679, Kay Whitfield 321, David Hoelscher 649, Melinda Meyers 404, and Johnny Bob Pritchard 759.

6. Swear in elected North Runnels County Hospital District Board of Directors

Notary Teresa Walden swore in Directors David Hoelscher, Johnny Bob Pritchard, Gary Jacob, and Jackie Black.

7. Election of officers for North Runnels County Hospital District Board of Directors

Motion by Bobbie Collom, seconded by Gary Jacob for the current officers to stay in the same positions. President will be David Hoelscher, vice president will be Bobbie Collom, and secretary will be Alicia Colburn. Motion passed unanimously.

8. <u>Discussion/possible action regarding all North Runnels County Hospital District signature cards with Victory</u>
Bank and PNC Bank

Motion by Johnny Bob Pritchard, seconded by Gary Jacob to list Bobbie Collom, David Hoelscher, Gary Jacob, Esteban Esquivel, Karen Thomas, and Steven T. George to all accounts and safety deposit box at Victory Bank and remove Nicholas Lewis from Victory Bank accounts and safety deposit box. Also, remove Nicholas Lewis from the PNC account, add Steven T. George and leave Alicia Colburn and Esteban Esquivel to the PNC account. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 9. Discussion/possible action regarding 2025 health insurance rates

Motion by Johnny Bob Pritchard, seconded by Alicia Colburn to select Baylor Scott and White for the 2025 employee health coverage. Motion passed unanimously. Johnny Bob Pritchard, seconded by Bobbie Collom to amend the motion for the hospital district to pay \$650.00 per employee for the insurance. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Discussion/possible action regarding Dr. Clayton McGuire, Radiology Associates</u>
 Motion by Bobbie Collom, seconded by Alicia Colburn to credential Dr. Clayton McGuire of Radiology Associates. Motion passed unanimously.

## 11. Discussion/possible action regarding CFO report

Steven George reported Ben Helm has resigned as CFO and will not be handling the financials. Mr. Trace will be handling the financials. Possibility of needing a staff accountant. CFO report was tabled.

## 12. Discussion/possible action regarding employee bonus

Motion by Esteban Esquivel, seconded by Bobbie Collom to give full time employees \$150.00 net, \$75.00 net for part time or PRN employees for a Christmas bonus. Employees must have worked in the last 30 days to receive a bonus. Motion passed unanimously.

## 13. CEO Report

Bankruptcy has been filed. Judge has been assigned to the case. Notices have gone out to vendors. Possibility of 6 months before payments start. Vendors should not shut us off at this time. Coding company had to be paid or they would shut us off. Charge master review is going on. Truebridge rep is going to help Mr. George on the Truebridge issues. Rep stated charges are being lost. Project plan is going to be taken care of. Mr. George needs to board's trust. A call from Texas A & M Agriculture Extension Office that specializes in rural hospitals. Firms specializes in finances and cost reports was received by Mr. George. May be a possibility for EMS to be cost based. Would need approval from Medicare before this could be done. Cost reports are being worked on. Number from cost report will be a negative number. John Clark, lab manager and Mr. George have purchased a lab machine that EMS and the nursing staff can use at night. Lab techs will not be on site at night. Doug Wheat may have some leads on cash for the district. Marketing update was done today. Logo was finalized, designed a tri-fold brochure and business cards. Need to do a newsletter on news about the hospital. Need to put information on TV in clinic lobby regarding the hospital. The website will be rebuilt for \$1,500.00. Need to pay Ballinger Memorial Hospital the \$250,000.00 that was loaned to North Runnels Hospital District.

#### 14. Adjourn

Motion by Gary Jacob, seconded by Bobbie Collom to adjourn. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

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**Board of Directors**