

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE
WALKER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
June 25, 2025**

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The Board of Managers of the Walker County Hospital District, Walker County, Texas, met in a regular session, open to the public on June 25, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., in the Walker County Hospital District Conference room located at the First National Bank building 6th floor Blalock Room.

Members of the Board present included:

Chairman, Anne Woodard
Vice Chairman, Joe Sapp
Secretary, Curtis Montgomery
Manager, Lane Aiena
Manager, Jerry Larrison

Also, in attendance were WCHD Administrative Assistant; Keli Molina and members from the public which are noted on the sign in sheet.

Agenda Item 1: Call meeting to order.

Chairman Anne Woodard called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Agenda Item 2: Consider approving the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on April 23, 2025 and the Special Board Meeting on May 13, 2025.

Joe Sapp made a motion to approve, Lane Aiena seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 3: Comments from the public. If you wish to address the Board of Managers, please register prior to the meeting being called to order.

No comments from the public were made.

Agenda Item 4: Comments and reports from Huntsville Community Hospital Corporation administration.

Paul Hansen CFO stated from an operations standpoint we were fairly busy and had a pretty good admissions for the month of May. The ER was busier than it has been, but that also led to a number of transfers. The highest number of transfers we've had in the past 12 months. I think it was over 150 transfers out of the emergency; it was a combination of a lot of different things at least eight were due to ICU capacity and 16 others due to the hospital being too full. The capacity aspects have been challenging this last month. We did have certain specialists on call to handle the different situations.

Ian Gibson COO stated the kitchen dishwasher is being installed now and is very much needed and it should be complete by the end of this week. The roof replacement is complete. And it's been inspected and it's already been put through its paces.

The generator has been installed by Entergy Center Point and they have finished running their line from the feeder road up to that generator. We should be online with our new generator by mid-July.

If there is an outage the generator will kick on and the transfer switch goes to feed just the hospital. We have finished up all the confirmations on the patient monitoring and telemetry systems with monitoring. We are getting ready to issue that purchase order to do an entire exchange of that monitoring system throughout the hospital, which involves rewiring and Wi Fi and lots of different pieces of equipment. It is typically a seven-to-nine-month installation and implementation process. You will be getting lots of updates over the next year on how that's going, but we don't expect it to be in until 2026 and we will continue to stay on the one that we're on, and then where they just phase it in, or they turn it all on,

The Mac lab as part of the cap lab, is also being replaced, and that is not just for getting up to speed, but that also is one of our vulnerabilities from a cybersecurity standpoint, as it still runs on Windows XP, which is no longer supported anymore. So that's another critical investment in that. Project will run in parallel with this, but it will finish before that. It's a separate system, and is quick on physician recruitment. I am sad to say that Dr Griffin, who had signed the family medicine with OB that we had signed and executed her agreement nearly a year ago, will not be coming. She has retracted her commitment to us, so we continue to search for Dr Montgomery some support on the delivery side of things. Dr Bosley in family medicine is going to be leaving the area and Dr Tanksley, local orthopedic sports medicine physician has also left the area as well. We have just made an offer to another family medicine; O.B. Physician and we have been engaging with a search firm to help us identify and bring in key specialists into the area. They are a retained firm that works with rural hospitals and critical access hospitals.

Agenda Item 5: Review and consider approving the engagement letter with Reed, Claymon, Meeker, Krienke & Spurck, PLLC.

Jerry Larrison made a motion to approve, Curtis Montgomery seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 6: Review and consider approving the monthly financial reports.

Curtis Montgomery made a motion to approve, Lane Aiena seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 7: Consider approving payment of monthly bills.

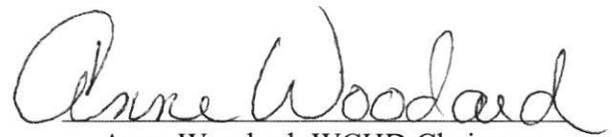
Lane Aiena made a motion to approve, Joe Sapp seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

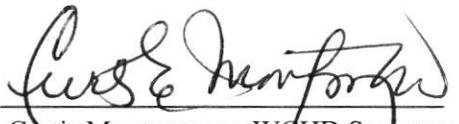
Agenda Item 8: Report from Chairman Anne Woodard.

Chairman Anne Woodard stated our bill with the legislature passed.

Agenda Item 9: Adjourn meeting.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.


Anne Woodard, WCHD Chairman


Curtis Montgomery, WCHD Secretary