# Niobrara County Hospital District Board of Trustees

## Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

## September 22, 2026

The Niobrara County Hospital District Board of Trustees met at the Niobrara Senior Center in Lusk, Wyoming. In attendance were Mr. Travis Krein, Chairman, Ms. Connie Volk, Vice Chairman, Ms. Randi Ross, Secretary, Mr. Dan H. Hanson, Treasurer and Mr. Ryan Meng, Member. Also in attendance was Dana Gilleland, CHMS CEO and Nick Healey, legal counsel. Several members of the community were present. See attached sheet for names.

**Mr. Krein called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.**

A quorum was verified.

**Public Comments** – 90 minutes was devoted to public comments in three areas; Dr. Falkenburg, CHMS and Leadership. Mr. Healey served as moderator. There was no time limit for individuals to speak but he asked for people to be respectful. This would be a listening session for the board and responses would be provided within 1-2 weeks.

**Mr. Hanson moved to accept the August 25,2026 minutes. Ms. Volk seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.**

NCHD Hospital Stats, Accounts Receivable and KPI File were reviewed. ~~0020~~

**Financials** –

Patient revenue, less adjustments, on August 31 was $628,149.49; other operating revenue was $136,644.98; non-operating revenue was $161,063.19 for total revenue of $925,857.66. Operating expenses for August were $771,137.51; non-operating expenses were $-3959.87, which resulted in net income of $158,680.02.

The financial statements will be filed for audit.

**Old Business**

Specialty Providers – we are still in the contract phase; specialties will be OB/GYN, Ortho, Podiatry, General Surgery, Pain Management and Cardiology.

FY27 Capital Construction – ongoing

Garage Update – started the week of 9/7/26. The garage will be used for hospital equipment.

Black Hills Sod Update – nurse's house completed; waiting for the garage foundation to be poured, then will start laying sod at the hospital.

Mill Levy – community meeting October 19, 5:15 pm at the Fairgrounds.

X-Ray Room Update – still waiting for state approval.

Quality Charter Adoption – this document is to formalize the Board's role in quality of care provided at NCH. Ms. Volk would like the wording on page 1 under Article III to read "CEO or designee".

**Mr. Meng moved to adopt the NCHD Board Quality Committee Organization Charter with the change suggested by Ms. Volk. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.**

**New Business**

Med Staff Bylaws Update/Amendment – tabled to October meeting.

New Auditors Update – Dohman Akerlund and Casey Peterson are merging so we are engaging Blue & Co. as our auditors to replace Dohman Akerlund.

Madi Wurdeman, Doug Schlangen & Michael Brown shared with the Board about their experiences of working for CHMS and NCHD.

**Mr. Meng moved to enter executive session to discuss contracts at 8:09 p.m. Ms. Volk seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.**

The board reentered the public session at 8:47 p.m.

**Ms. Volk moved to adjourn at 8:48 pm. Ms. Ross seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Next meeting is October 27 at 5:30 p.m.

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