

**Board of Directors
Champaign County Nursing Home
Urbana, Illinois
September 11, 2008**

Directors Present: Lansford, Anderson, Holley, Nudo, Hirsbrunner, O'Shaughnessy

Directors Absent/Excused: Czajkowski

Also Present: Busey, Scavotto

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Chairman Lansford.

2. Roll Call

Lansford called the roll of Directors.

3. Agenda

On motion by Hirsbrunner (second Nudo) the agenda was approved (unanimous).

4. Approval of Minutes

On motion by Anderson (second Holley) the minutes of the previous meeting were approved (unanimous).

5. Old Business

Holley updated the Board on nurse recruitment. His subcommittee has met and made a few recommendations, among them was the reinstatement of CCNH as a clinical training site. (Scavotto reported that the required letter has been sent to IDPH.) Holley suggested assembling a list of residents who would be willing to participate in the Friendly Visitor program. This is a second semester initiative requiring a contract between CCNH and Parkland. The overarching theme is that each exposure of nursing students to geriatric care and what it entails will improve future recruitment. Management will follow-up.

Nudo inquired about the Grand Victoria Scholarship program, which pays for textbooks, gas, babysitting, and other items. The recommendation is that CCNH needs to get the word out to its CNAs on the availability of this scholarship. Holley provided the name of the Parkland contact and also suggested that the U of I might be amenable to using CCNH as a clinical site. Management will follow-up.

6. New Business

a. Budget Update & Management Report

Scavotto updated the Board on several items pertaining to the budget and to daily operations. Census continues to hover around 170. Activity at the local hospitals continues to be down and this has an impact on Medicare admissions. Increasing the census continues to be a major element of the turnaround strategy. To this end, Mary Amin has assumed responsibility for admissions with the immediate goal of improving our capture rate from the hospitals.

The latest news from State HFS is that the IGT restructuring apparently will be delayed until 2009. We understand that State HFS has been busy determining the procedure for recovering the overpayments made under the IGT program between 9-1-06 and 10-30-07.

ONR has been served notice that its therapy contract with CCNH will end on November 1, 2008. Alliance Rehab will be the new therapy provider.

Scavotto provided the Board a brief overview of developments with the new Medicare rates effective October 1, 2008 as well as the Recovery Audit Contractor program, designed as a series of random facility audits to weed out fraud & abuse.

On a point initiated by Nudo, there was discussion about the CareWatch software package and the general state of CCNH's software systems. Management will commit to purchasing the CareWatch software application and, barring any interface problems with existing MDS software, have it in place within 60 days.

b. Marketing Subcommittee Report

O'Shaughnessy gave a brief report about the activities of the Marketing Committee and led a discussion of the developing marketing effort for CCNH. The theme that is shaping up is built around The Amazing Generation, where we tell stories of the lives of CCNH residents. The "message to be transmitted" is crucial and is still being developed. The committee felt that the underlying foundation of the message should be that CCNH has been (and still is) community-owned and operated for xxx years, is affordable, and convenient.

The goal is to have something ready to implement by the end of October with The Amazing Generation likely to be introduced by an open letter to the community featuring the CCNH Board. Guest editorials, public interest spots, and other media outlets will continue to be explored. The scope and budget for the program need to be specified.

c. Request for Nursing Home Representation at a Public Forum

On motion by Nudo (second Hirsbrunner, unanimous), Diana Viesek addressed the Board regarding her initiative as a member of the Libertarian Party to conduct a public forum to

discuss the issues regarding CCNH. After considerable discussion, it was agreed that the focus of the public forum was to inform and that the rules governing such a forum would be structured towards that goal. The CCNH Board agreed to participate on that condition. Viesek is to report back on progress with dates and venue.

7. Other Business

There was no Other Business.

8. Public Participation

Several members of the community addressed the Board, among them Patsy Petrie (who requested that the previous minutes be corrected to reflect her participation at the meeting; also requested expanded minutes), Diana Viesek (minutes and agenda), Jennifer Putman (marketing, radio ads, candidates for testimonials), Margaret Wright (finances) and Pius Weibel (minutes).

The meeting rules were suspended (motion Nudo, second Hirsbrunner, unanimous) to enable to Board to interact directly with the community participants. A main concern was providing expanded content in the minutes. Several options were discussed. These included a verbatim rendition of the minutes as well as providing a digital recording of the Board discussion on the County's website. No action was taken but the issue will be studied in the spirit of providing information that is accurate and timely, but not unwieldy.

9. Closed Session: Appointment, Employment, Performance, or Discipline of Specific employees of a Public Body

At approximately 7:45 pm, to was moved (Hirsbrunner, second Holley, unanimous) to go into Closed Session. Lansford called the roll. The Board emerged from Closed Session at approximately 8:00 pm with no action being taken.

10: Closed Session: Consider Collective Negotiating Matters between Champaign County nursing Home and Its Employees or Their Representatives

At approximately 8:00 pm, it was moved (Hirsbrunner, second Holley, unanimous) to go into Closed Session. Lansford called the roll. The Board emerged from Closed Session at approximately 8:30 with no action being taken.

11. Next Meeting Date

Thursday October 16 2008, 6 pm

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 (motion Holley, second O'Shaughnessy, unanimous)

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Scavotto
Recording Secretary