

The purpose of Redwoods Rural Health Center is to provide responsive, preventive, high quality primary health care services, through a variety of healing disciplines, to all people without regard to social or economic status. We emphasize the client's right and responsibility to participate in his or her own health care decisions. It is our hope that the clinic be a place where the needs of the whole person are met-body, mind, and spirit.

**Redwoods Rural Health Center Board Meeting
September 22, 2009
6PM in the meeting room at the Redway Clinic**

Staff Present: none; Anne Staunton, Executive Director, was ill and had gone home; CFO Jeanie Eldridge was out of town at a leadership training

Board Present: Shelby, Carol Lee, Pamela Moore, Janet Fitzgerald, Kathy Epling, Sydney King

Board Absent: Rick Silva (health issues); Shon Wellborn (out of town attending to family issue); Thad Horner

In the absence of the president of the Board; Vice President Shelby brought the meeting to order at 6:06PM.

Carol Lee agreed to be timekeeper for the evening.

In view of the Executive Director's absence, Kathy suggested that item 7 on the agenda, the Executive Director's report, be removed from the agenda. Sydney King wished her New Business item to be removed, so that she could address a larger group. Kathy suggested that the Executive Session portion also be removed, because the items to be discussed needed information and input from the Executive Director.

MOTION: That, with removal of agenda items 7, 9, and 10, the Agenda be approved.

The motion was made by Kathy Epling and seconded by Janet Fitzgerald.

The motion PASSED unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Consent Agenda. Kathy noted that she was very pleased to read that Wendi Joiner would be meeting with the alternative health providers at Dancing Crane, with Gail Eastwood. She is impressed by the involved and active efforts of the RRHC staff in general; great work.

MOTION: That the Consent Agenda be Passed as Submitted

Motion was made by Kathy Epling and Seconded by Janet Fitzgerald.

Voting Yes: Kathy Epling, Janet Fitzgerald, Shelby, Sydney King

Voting No: None

Abstaining: Carol Lee

MOTION PASSED

On the consent agenda were: approval/acceptance of the August board minutes and finance committee meeting, the august strategic planning meeting, and the September 2009 reports: behavioral health, dental, medical, finance and operations, and quality improvement as well as the August 2009 financial report.

There was no correspondence.

In old business, the strategic planning update was skipped over; the next staff/board meeting in this effort will be Oct 19, 2009

The Board considered the Procedures and Policies that were up for approval/revision.

The Dress Code policy sparked discussion as to whether scent should be banned entirely. Kathy Epling, who will not go out without her Black Phoenix scented oils, disagreed but much of the rest of the board felt that there are environmentally sensitive clients who would be impacted by having staff wearing even light scent. Janet Fitzgerald was particularly concerned about this issue.

In the light of these reservations the new Dress Code policy was not yet approved.

MOTION: That the Chaperone Policy and Procedure be approved as submitted.

Pamela Moore made the motion which was seconded by Sydney King

MOTION PASSED unanimously

MOTION: That the Consent for Minors Policy be approved as submitted

Janet Fitzgerald made the motion which was seconded by Pamela Moore

MOTION PASSED unanimously

MOTION: That the Immunizations Policy be approved as submitted

Pamela Moore made the motion which was seconded by Sydney King

MOTION PASSED unanimously

MOTION: That the Vaccine Purchase Policy be approved as submitted

Janet Fitzgerald made the motion which was seconded by Sydney King

MOTION PASSED unanimously

MOTION: That the Dental Chart Documentation Policy be approved as submitted.

Motion was made by Sydney King and seconded by Pamela Moore.

MOTION PASSED unanimously

The next Board Meeting and Finance Committee meeting will happen on October 27, 2009. Finance meeting starts at 5PM; Board at 6PM in the Medical Building

Before that, on October 19 at 5:30 PM in the Dental Building there will be part two of our Strategic Planning work. Bring something tasty to share.

The group adjourned at 6:34PM

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Epling, RRHC board secretary