

CGH MEDICAL CENTER
Physician Services Council
Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2022

Call to order

Shane Brown called to order the meeting of the Physician Services Council at 7:00 a.m. The following members were present: Dr. Mir Alikhan, Dr. Ashlea Canady, Dr. John Hahn, Dr. Hassan Kieso, Dr. Thomas King, Dr. Eric Kuhns, Dr. Young Song, and Jackie Greve. Others present were: Dr. William Bird, Dr. Paul Steinke, Dr. Marcia Jones, and Dena Wheeler.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting of August 17 were unanimously approved.

Unfinished business

A. Recruitment update

Current open searches: Anesthesiology, Dermatology, Family Medicine, Gastroenterology, General Surgery, Interventional Cardiology, Neurology NP/PA, Hospitalist (Nocturnist), Ob/Gyn, Ophthalmology, Orthopedic Surgery, Pediatrics, Pulmonology, Dermatology NP/PA. There was a General Surgery candidate visit last week, and a Nocturnist candidate is visiting soon. Dr. Twinkle Singh (Interventional Cardiology) started in August.

New business

A. CMO Update

Dr. Bird is looking into adding tele-endocrinology.

In the pursuit of reducing expenses, CAD pumps in Oncology which were previously only used Monday through Wednesday, are being spread out to five days to be more efficient with Pharmacy staff.

Shane started holding Primary Care Provider meetings in person this month, and resulted in constructive discussions. Individual specialists may be asked to attend future meetings.

B. Tele-Neurology expansion

Dr. Nguyen has been offering appointments one half day per week. Additional staffing has been secured, and effective December 5, she will offer appointments five half days per week. Shane has received positive feedback regarding her services.

Dr. Friedman is available for inpatient consults on days when Dr. Joseph is not available from 9-5.

C. Tele-Dermatology update

Dr. Stees is leaving 1/13/23. Shane is finalizing an agreement for tele-dermatology to oversee Mark Moran, PA-C and Rachel Deets, PA-C, and be available for patients in the office remotely starting 1/16/23. There will also be an additional PA joining this physician (after being credentialed). The process for biopsies and other processes is being worked out.

D. APP Advisory Committee

In addition to the Physician Summit that was held recently, a separate APP Summit was held. They feel they need better representation and opportunities to work through concerns/ideas. Consequently, an APP Advisory Committee is being formed which will include Jackie Greve, Concha Sitter, and Virginia Heal, moving their positions from this committee. Three additional positions will be elected with staggering terms.

E. Main clinic space planning

The main clinic is in need of new flooring, painting, etc. This renovation will start soon, and the former Oncology area will be used to relocate departments during their area's renovation.

Shane is working with a group to evaluate physical location of providers, to determine any necessary changes.

F. Expiring terms for PSC members

Dr. Song and Dr. Kuhns terms expire this year. Shane is asking for nominations and will hold an election before the end of the year.

G. CEO Update

OSF announced they are opening a freestanding imaging center in Rock Falls. Imaging and lab are a large source of CGH revenue. This will be discussed further at the next Physician Summit in December.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 a.m. into closed session.

A motion was made by Dr. Canady, seconded by Dr. Kuhns, and unanimously approved TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF A SPECIFIC EMPLOYEE OR LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC BODY.

After discussion, Physician Services Council came out of closed session.

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Dena Wheeler, Physician Services Assistant

Minutes approved by: Shane Brown, VP of Physician Services