

SAMARITAN COMMITTEE

February 1, 2007

9:00 AM

Present: Dan Stoffel, Ralph Hensel, Philip Laubenheimer, Paul Tuchscherer, Ed Somers

Excused: Larry Hoffman

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM.

Dan Stoffel arrived at 9:16 AM.

Paul Tuchscherer moved to approve the minutes of 1/4/07, second by Philip Laubenheimer, motion carried.

Sub-acute Program Update - Amy Meyer, Administrator of the sub-acute unit, was present to give an update on the new unit. All is well, the unit is switching to Cedar Community Pharmacy, with the hospital pharmacy providing contingency.

Write-Off Requests The committee was requested to write-off \$114,458.36 to close out 2006. The accounts were thoroughly researched by the accounting department and found to be uncollectible. Jeff Werner, Accounting Supervisor, appeared to discuss the write-off requests.

Paul Tuchscherer moved to write-off \$114,458.36, second by Philip Laubenheimer, motion carried.

Family Care Steering Committee Update - The Family Care Steering Committee has been meeting to plot out the steps that Washington County will take in implementing this program. The Office on Aging (OAA), Comprehensive Community Services Agency (CCSA) and the Department of Social Services (DSS) are moving to open an Aging and Disability Resources Center (ADRC) in July 2007. To do this will require full county board approval. There will be a joint meeting of Samaritan, OOA, CCSA and DSS committees on 2/19/07 at 10:30 AM in the Samaritan Multi-Purpose Room to ensure as much education as possible about ADRC's prior to the board resolution.

The committee also recommended that Washington County pursue becoming a single county Care Management Organization. Washington County has always fully funded its' Social Services programs through its' levy, while other counties have not. The concern arises when all levies get blended together in a multi-county consortium that Washington County will end up with lesser services.

Schematic Design Proposal - Mr. Somers received a proposal from Plunkett-Raysich Architects to provide schematic design for the proposed remodeling of the nursing home. Schematic Design would provide more detailed design, detailed finishes, review of code impacts, renderings of the finished product, and better budget figures. The cost is

\$87,800 and would be subtracted from the final architectural fees if we move forward with the project. This amount would be paid from reserves and eventually rolled into the borrowing if the project moves forward. The process would take 90 days. The timing works well with the county capital planning process as proposals are due to Doug Johnson by the 2nd week of May.

Mr. Somers did some research into the facilities ability to repay borrowed monies, and with the increased property increment from the Medicaid cost report coupled with other debt retiring, Samaritan should be able to repay without levy. The committee would like Brad Viegut present at the May meeting to discuss different bonding possibilities.

Paul Tuchscherer moved to approve Plunkett-Raysich Architects to perform the schematic design for the nursing home remodel at a cost not to exceed \$87,800.00 with the schematic design fee to be deducted from the final architectural fee should the remodel move forward, second by Philip Laubenheimer, motion carried.

Reports from Administrator

Federal Lawsuit Update - Attorney Todd Hunter for the collection action has said it will be 12 - 16 months before we hear anything.

Whistleblower Posting - As a provider that receives in excess of \$5 Million annually, we are now required to have posting regarding the false claims whistleblower act. Fortunately, several years ago we instituted a corporate compliance program and we already meet most of the requirements of the new law.

Designation of future meeting dates - Due to a scheduling conflict, Mr. Somers will be unavailable to make the first Thursday in March or May for the Samaritan Committee meeting. The committee will meet March 8, 2007. The May date will be set later.

Philip Laubenheimer moved to adjourn at 10:45 AM, second by Ralph Hensel, motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 19, 2007 at 10:30 AM.

Dan Stoffel, Chairperson

Larry Hoffman, Secretary

Edward Somers, Administrator