## February 25, 2015

To: Board of Directors TNH

From: John A. Brennan Administrator TNH

Subject: Board Meeting Minutes February 24, 2015

Attending:

Theresa Schwartz Chair

**Gina Hyde RN** 

**Deacon Alan Thadeu** 

Joe Martin

Heidi Pacquin Acting RN DNS

Michelle Mercado TNH Fiscal Manager

**Excused:** 

## **Steve Linhares**

- 1. The meeting was called to order.
- 2. Minutes of the December 16, 2014 meeting were approved.
- 3. John discussed the state DPH Life Safety Survey:
  - a. Front door alarm
  - b. Door Closers
  - c. Sprinkler Head
  - d. Windows-54 windows-glass only-being replaced
  - e. Fans-33 serviced or replaced
  - f. TNH is cleared of all Life Safety issues.
- 4. John discussed the State DPH Survey
  - a. TNH is cleared of all survey issues.

- b. We are expecting CMS fines of an undetermined amount.
- c. Legal bills of \$ 50k were incurred.
- d. Referrals from Morton Hospital have not been impacted.
- e. There have been no stories in the Taunton Gazette.
- f. John took responsibility for all survey deficiencies.
- g. John offered to resign; the Board declined to accept.
- h. The elopement tag was solved by adding a magnetic door lock and alarm to the front door.
- i. The staff involved is no longer employed at THN.
- j. John will provide the new policies to the Board for their review.
- k. The Board questions the video availability if a resident elopes; can staff look at the video?
- I. As to the medication error, the RN is on paid leave until the COTMA collective bargaining process is completed. DOH must be notified when the decision is made on the RN; terminate or allow a return to work.
- m. A lengthy discussion was held on the Sexually Inappropriate Resident tag. A board question...what was the Root Cause? Was it medication change, his girlfriend dying, a stroke? What caused the behavior?
- n. TNH staff did receive training on HIPAA and Resident Sexually Inappropriate Behavior.
- Previously TNH staff was trained in the state OASIS Program for Dementia (see attached)
- p. Theresa recommends more training on dementia; John will seek a training source.
- q. John will check with the MSCO for this training.
- r. John will add MSCO membership fees to the FY 2016 budget and see if we can become members.
- s. TNH does not have a corporate office to provide training or assistance; john will seek other sources.
- t. John will work with our Boston Attorneys to set up a new Quality Assurance process for survey compliance.
- 5. The Board approved the engagement of Richard Carr C.P.A. to do our FY 2014 Medicare and Medicaid cost report and FY 2014 CPE-Certification of

- Expenditure for a Public Medical Facility Report. John will the contracts to the City Solicitor for review and approval.
- 6. Pauline Belleville Taylor RN has resigned as Director of Nursing Services.
- 7. Heidi Pacquin RN has been appointed temporary Director of Nursing Services.
- 8. The RN DNS position has been posted per COTMA contract; Heidi has applied for the position.
- 9. The Valentine Day Wedding was held and seven couples were remarried by the City Clerk Rosie Blackwell.
- 10. Red Sox Opening Day is April 13, 2015.
- 11. John met with the new City Grant Coordinator Karen Schnabel and reviewed the capital grants TNH would like to have.
- 12. The Boudreau Project has netted TNH about \$ 50K so far.
- 13. Free cash for the fiscal year end June 2014 was \$ 77K.
- 14. 70 of 100 TNH staff have received flu shots; this was an issue for DPH but not cited.
- 15. Dr. Ryan Welter, TNH Medical Director, was sent a letter requiring his presence at the QAC meetings. Failure to appear will result in termination.
- 16. Leah Mullin, Social worker, has resigned to accept a position with hospice. Leah recently passed the LCISW examination. We are interviewing for a new Director of Social services.
- 17. Michelle's AIT application is on the way to the State NHA Board for review.
- 18. TNH staff has been shoveling off the roof. John checked with the city and there is no additional help available from city staff to shovel. Both workers-Steve and Herschel-are covered by Work Comp and the city general liability insurance as city employees.