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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES GREYSTONE PARK PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL

I. The Board of Trustees Meeting at Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital (GPPH) was held via telephone conference call on Thursday, July 21, 2022, pursuant to the notice duly given. In conformance with the Public Open Meetings law, notices for the meeting were sent to Daily Record and the Star-Ledger.

Board Member Attendance:

Present:	Excused
Chairman James (Jim) DiGiulio, Esq.	
Sheriff James M. Gannon	
Peter Simon, Esq.	X
Bruce Sisler, Esq.	
Louis Modugno, Esq.	

Hospital Administrators Attendance:

Present:	Excused
Thomas Rosamilia, Interim Chief Executive Officer	
Eric Madurki, Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
Dr. Ritesha Krishnappa MD, Interim Medical Director	
Dr. Laura Romano, Chief Nursing Officer	X
Jack Frey, Business Manager	
Dorothea Josephs-Spaulding, Director of Quality Management	TO THE PARTY OF TH
Timothy Dimitrios, Administrative Analyst 4	
David Hutchinson, Director of Nursing	X
Maria Jazenback, Secretary to the Board	
Stephanie Gabelmann, GPA Liaison	
Ildiko Spence, Section Chief	

CALL TO ORDER at 3:15pm by Chairman, James DiGiulio. It was discussed that since the meeting is being held via telephone conference call that all parties phones are to be muted but at the end of the meeting the line will be opened for any public comments.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The June 16, 2022 Board minutes were presented for approval. Vice Chairman, Sheriff James Gannon gave the 1st motion for approval. Louis Modugno gave the 2nd motion for approval. All in favor. The June 2022 minutes were adopted.

III. CEO REPORT:

Mr. Tom Rosamilia, Interim Chief Executive Officer at Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital presented the CEO Report for the board meeting.

Mr. Rosamilia introduced Dr. Ritesha Krishnappa as the Interim Medical Director at Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital. Mr. Rosamilia then discussed that he attended the Patient Government meeting this week and was very impressed with the number of patients in the meeting who gave good ideas which were not self centered in any way but rather to better the hospital as a whole. Discussed that we are looking at why patients are not attending groups. The average number of patients in groups is about 4-5 patients per group. We are looking at possible issues or reasons to try and increase participation. It was discussed that this week is a pool party for patients with games occurring in the gymnasium. Some patients chose to attend patient government and went to their pool party after as they decided to prioritize their meeting over their event.

Mr. Rosamilia discussed that it has been a challenge finding nursing staff and Human Service Technicians. A new forensic psychiatrist will be starting in August. We are trying to come up with a way to take care of our doctors who are working extra since we are short staffed. May be able to accommodate them for extra time put in. There are currently three APNs who are prescribing. We have extended an offer to another APN and we are currently crafting a fifth APN.

As of today, there are no units in quarantine/isolation.

It was discussed that we are currently in phase ten of the camera upgrade. This will allow for what we see to be more clear and easier to share it. The Board of Trustees expressed that for any insight on camera issues, Greystone can contact Vice Chairman, Sheriff Gannon for assistance.

Our assault numbers are trending slightly down. In June we had 5.23 events of patient to patient per 1,000 days. It was discussed that the number is considered to be in mid range for a psychiatric hospital.

The Board of Trustees inquired about the Labyrinth and would like more information on this. Dr. Emily Hall will provide the presentation to the Board prior to the next meeting.

IV. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

The patient welfare fund information for June 2022 was reviewed by the Board of Trustees prior to this meeting. The beginning balance was reviewed as \$65,914.05 with \$7,662.00 deposited and \$11,710.09 in disbursements. The ending balance was \$61,865.96. Balance of cash management fund was \$482,790.90 and the total patient welfare fund available balance ended at \$544,656.86.

Mr. Jack Frey, Business Manager provided the Board of Trustees with the Patient Welfare Budget for FY 2023 to the board prior to this meeting. The Board of Trustees approved the Patient Welfare Budget for FY 2023 during this meeting.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Are there any plans to fix the non-working elevator so that EMTs have access to this elevator? It was discussed that Century Electric did a diagnostic on Elevator C. They diagnosed the level and what we have to do to fix it. Greystone is now scheduling them to come in to do the work now.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business discussed at this meeting.

VII. OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTING

Mr. John Verney provided the report from the Office of Community Services to the Board of Trustees prior to this meeting however Mr. Verney was not present for the meeting to give his report to the public.

VIII. GREYSTONE PARK ASSOCIATION (GPA)

Stephanie Gabelmann provided the GPA report at this meeting.

GPA held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 12, 2022. They report the following:

Their modified yearly Executive Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, June 22. They offered to provide \$1,000 for snacks at the Pool Party Event. They purchased a new printer with their own funds because the one provided by GPPH was difficult for them to use. They're waiting for IT to take away the old printer. New volunteers are needed as soon as they are allowed back per GPPH.

Areas of concern still outstanding are as follows:

Prior to covid GPPH planned to replace their shed due to a leaky roof. Is there any plan to replace the shed in the future? They are missing a door on their second bathroom. Measurements were taken by GPPH staff, so progress is happening. The sliding glass door in the kitchen is off the track. They are told it needs to be replaced. Measurements were taken, so progress is happening. The announcement system is too loud. Adjustments were made, and more can be made if needed. A request to fix a broken drawer was submitted to Asset Essentials.

IX. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Chairman, James DiGiulio opened the floor for questions and/or comments. Members of the public were reminded that they had five (5) minutes to state their question(s)/comments. Any questions/concerns that can not be addressed during this meeting will be addressed during the next meeting.

Public Member

Ms. Ann Weber asked the following questions: What is the exact number of assaults for June? There were 55 assaults in June.

What is the exact number of restraints and seclusions for June? There were 12 restraints and 3 seclusions in June.

What is the exact number of covid positive patients for July? Between 12-20 patients had covid in July.

When was the covid unit opened?

Due to all covid positives for the month being in one unit, the entire unit was quarantined and the covid unit did not need to be opened.

What is the number of patients sent to Ann Klein for the month of June? How many discharges were there to Ann Klein? What is the population of forensic patients at Greystone?

There were two patients that were sent to Ann Klein, there were zero patients discharged to Ann Klein in June and there are seventy-eight forensic patients at Greystone.

What is the name of the new psychiatrist?
The Interim Medical Director is Dr. Krishnappa.

Any plans to fix the non-working elevator so that EMTs have access to this elevator? This information will be available at the next meeting.

What are the restraints, seclusions, and court hearings numbers for the month of May? It was discussed that there were 3 restraints, 15 seclusions, and 89 court hearings in May.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 3:15pm

Witnessed By

James DiGiulio, Chairman

GPPH's Board of Trustees

Respectfully Submitted,

GPPH's Board of Trustees

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