



APPROVED MINUTES
Bloomfield Committee
Wednesday, July 30, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.
Bloomfield Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center
Dodgeville, WI 53533

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1	Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dr. Jenkins at 1:32 p.m.
2	Roll Call was taken. Members present: Dr. Jenkins; Paull; Thomas Excused: Anderson and Palzkill Others present: Penny Clary, Donna Clark, Jake Tarrell; Mark Vondra; Karen Oellerich; Mary Dunn; Julie Gevelinger.
3	Approve the agenda for this meeting. Motion by Paull to approve the agenda for this meeting with moving #8 Mission Statement after #4. Member Thomas seconded the motion. Carried.
3b	Approve the minutes of the July 1 meeting. Thomas moved to approve the minutes of the July 1 meeting. Paull seconded the motion. Carried.
4	Comments or reports from the audience or committee members. Dr. Jenkins attended a recent meeting involving writing of a proposed referendum question(s) and reported on the two questions that were proposed by the group. Jake Tarrell commented on the referendum question(s) that he hopes that in the end there will be direction and there is an answer. Mary Dunn commented that it is a sad day in Iowa County when we're thinking of selling/closing Bloomfield. Where are these people supposed to go, especially Veterans? Cost will be cost and obviously there is a reason why this has been a County owned. Dunn, also, commented that the facility is one big family-family may have to travel miles. She added someone had better start speaking up for those who can't speak for themselves. She would think that the county board would be supportive of residents here and the board would come out to see what happens here. Paull commented on county board members on the Strategic Plan committee and their voice. Thomas said previously the county board would meet at Bloomfield one meeting per year and it is difficult to make informed decisions if you are unfamiliar with county departments. Also, the Board of Trustees to a Committee at Bloomfield has been a problem. Paull questioned the sense of direction and leadership role, i.e., trustees/county board. If sold more than likely beds would leave Iowa County. Dr. Jenkins commented the nursing home business is not a profitable business. Clary commented the budget reflected bed reduction and both HDG & WIPFLI studies both recommended bed reduction. Dr. Jenkins asked for data on the % of residents that are Iowa County residents or have family members who live in local communities. Thomas commented at least now with the County in the healthcare business they can control costs and was concerned that there may be no place in Iowa County to go for long-term care. Dr. Jenkins wonders if the county board cares and stated the county administrator does not think the County should be in the healthcare business. Dunn commented the county board may need to be re-educated; "What more is good for Iowa County"? Promotions, bulk mailings marketing via newspapers, radio and newsletters were discussed. Oellerich commented that the six counties bordering Iowa County all have county-owned nursing homes. She, also, cautioned that if Bloomfield was sold to either long-term business currently having nursing homes in Iowa County that may monopolize the market driving prices up.

8	Mission Statement Discussion. Paull distributed six samples of mission statements to be reviewed by the committee. Discussion ensued regarding suggested verbiage. Clary will forward the samples to Bloomfield department heads and residents for input. Clary will, also, put the mission statement in her report for HHS meeting.
5	Clary distributed sample referendum questions - #1 and #2 are versions of the referendum questions compiled by Nankee, Benish, Dr. Jenkins and Greg Klusendorf. Questions #3 and #4 were added to be on the HHS agenda. The facility team will be putting together referendum questions. Discussion ensued regarding the questions. These questions will be further discussed at the HHS meeting on August 6 at 6 pm
6	Strategic Planning and Bloomfield Workgroup Update. Strategic Planning is at a standstill. Dr. Jenkins was not fond of the WIPFLI presentation to the County Board. The consensus was they did what they were told to do. Closing was not an option for the Strategic Plan group.
7	Licensed Bed Reduction Update. The licensed bed reduction was reversed at the last county board meeting; therefore, the facility is at 85 beds. There was concern the county board is micro-managing the Strategic Plan.
9	Nursing Services Report. Referrals have increased coming from St. Marys. Clark recently looked are why we are losing admissions and will further review. The reason some admissions are declined is that they are complex medical issues and some with extreme psychological issues. Clark will add to her report where potential residents live and the % of referrals that are Iowa County Residents and the % that have Iowa County families. Upland Hills Health referrals are also up. Dr. Jenkins pointed out Clary has a great working relationship with Upland Hills Health. The Medical Director has been coming regularly to QA meetings and may be cutting back in the future.
10	Environmental Services Update. Tarrell is working on the budget for next year and was looking for direction on building improvements. Tarrell was given over 20 recommendations, by the Civil Engineer from the Division of Quality Assurance, to do in the next year. Dr. Jenkins said he would not wait for the referendum results to proceed and move forward. The sewer plant and state mandates were discussed. Clary stated she will budget for a levy this year. Thomas commented that Bloomfield has had a levy in year's past.
11	Business Office Report. Vondra distributed a budget comparison report (revenues vs. expenses) for current year showing a profit of \$62,215.26. The Campbell Fund Report as of 6-30-14: CD's- \$675,000; Premier checking Acct.- \$11,095.59; LGIP - \$7542.74; Interest Earned YTD - \$1684.18; Expenses Paid YTD - \$3295.55. Clary read verbiage from the Robert Campbell will stating Campbell's wishes, "to be employed liberally to provide enjoyment, relaxation and for the residents..." Clary requested Campbell funds to pay for cable TV for all residents at a current cost of \$360.75 per month. Discussion ensued regarding principal and also, discussed was investing in other possibilities. Motion by Thomas to use Campbell Funds to pay for resident cable TV. Paull seconded the motion. Carried.
12	Chairman's Report – No report.
13	Administrator's Report – See attached.
14	The next meeting date is Tuesday, August 12 at 1:30 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Paull and second by Thomas. Motion carried.