

Healthcare Meeting
Minutes 2-23-2009

Attendees: Janice Nolen, Rosalee Roberson, Joe Phelps, Wesley Kluck, Jack Farr, John Miller, Billie Taylor, Cindy Jackson, Margo Green, Cathy Abbott, Sheree Hendrix, Terry Sims and Shelley Loe

Margo Green stated that an Oncologist, surgeon and ENT doctors were all be sought or currently being interviewed to work through the hospital.

Cindy Jackson gave an overview of the charitable clinic. The Articles of Incorporation have been received. Now the non profit status forms must be completed and submitted for 501 c 3 status. The clinic can begin operating without the non profit status but donations could not be tax deductible. Accountants will be contacted to gain a cost for the non profit forms to be completed. A donation letter for churches has been completed. All sub committee members have been asked to take the letter to their churches and ask for sponsorship of \$100 a month or \$1200 a year. Dr. Kluck suggested a proposed budget be attached to the letter. The biggest issue for the clinic is the location. 2 10X10 rooms are needed for the clinic and renting space has proven very costly as Cindy looks for space. Several ideas were proposed and Cindy Jackson will follow up on them.

Discussion of record keeping and file cabinet costs was had. Dr. Kluck suggested the clinic be paperless with a back up system away from where the clinic was housed. A good copier, computer and printer could be purchased. By going paperless the clinic will be more efficient and more secure. Records could be emailed to doctors if requested.

The board is formed for the clinic with the following being the board members: Dr. Chester Clark, Cathy Abbott, Margo Green, Nolan Hagood, Brenda Hogg, Carmen Irby, Cindy Jackson, Shelley Loe, Greg Stubblefield and Sarah Sykes.

The committee discussed what action step they would like to work on next.

Two ideas were discussed:

The first action step discussed was the Health IDA account. This will take working with current funders such as Entergy and legislators for federal tax dollars which support Education, Home Buyer and Home Repair recipients. Health care plans have not been developed at this time. Discussion of what Individual Development Accounts and how they work was discussed.

The second action step was medical personnel retention. It was agreed to discuss pre med or pre professional student retention with the heads of the university departments. At that time a reception can be planned in April to host these students and possibly have new doctors/ pharmacists to speak or be on hand to encourage them to return to Clark County. This is the next action step to work towards through the committee.