

**MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE
AMES CITY COUNCIL AND HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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OCTOBER 4, 2012

The Ames City Council and Hospital Board of Trustees met in joint session at 12:07 p.m. on the 4th day of October, 2012, in Mary Greeley Medical Center (MGMC) North Addition, Room A/B. Those in attendance were Mayor Campbell and Council Members Goodman, Larson, and Szopinski; and, Hospital Board Chairperson Buck and Trustees Banitt, Heemstra, Kitchell, and McCuskey. Administrative staff present were Brian Dieter, President and CEO; Vice-Presidents Karen Kiel Rosser and Lynn Whisler, Jennifer Killion, MD; and Stephanie Bates, Executive Assistant, representing MGMC; and Steve Schainker, City Manager; Susan Gwiasda, Public Relations Officer; and Diane Voss, City Clerk, on behalf of the City.

Chairperson Buck and Mayor Campbell welcomed the City Council, Hospital Board of Trustees, and administrative staff members from both entities.

Mr. Dieter gave a presentation on “The Triple Aim of Healthcare,” utilized by MGMC. He defined it as a framework developed by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement that describes an approach to optimizing health system performance. The three Aims are: (1) improving the patient’s experience of care, (2) improving the health of populations, and (3) reducing the per capita cost of health care. Mr. Dieter explained how MGMC compares with other hospitals statewide and nationally in certain categories. Readmission rates for MGMC were also explained by Mr. Dieter. He described how they survey patients and presented statistics from 2008 through 2012 on the results of those surveys. He also how MGMC works to ensure that its patients get the very best in care. Discussion entailed specifically on two health concerns prevalent in the City of Ames: obesity and binge drinking. Suggestions were made on how the different entities: MGMC, ISU, and the City can work together to make Ames a healthier community.

The Council was given an update on MGMC’s expansion project, which has been underway for approximately one year.

There were no further comments from the Board of Trustees or City Council, and the meeting adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

Diane Voss, City Clerk

Ann Campbell, Mayor