## Minutes Operating Board of Directors DeKalb County Rehab & Nursing Center November 9, 2011

Present: Directors: Anderson, Bannon, Casella, Deverrell, Nielsen, Shepard

Absent Directors: Shepard Also Present: Gima, C. Anderson

Chair Casella called the meeting to order at 7:10 am.

The agenda was approved.

The September minutes were not distributed and will be presented for the January meeting.

Old Business: None

**New Business** 

## **Management Report:**

DCRNC's cash glance is currently in a strong position. With the assistance of Provinet, Medicare claims are being billed at a rate of two months of claims per calendar month. At this rate, Medicare billings will be caught up in March or April. This is providing adequate cash flow to compensate for the lack of Medicaid payments. The last Medicaid payment was received in late June. Medicaid non-payments have exceeded the 120 day payment delay that was implemented by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS). Over the past few months, MPA has been working on getting county homes paid on an expedited basis with the argument that the state will not receive any funds through the inter-governmental agreement unless county homes are paid.

Kelly Cunningham, the Assistant Director for HFS, has stated that a payment may occur sometime in January or February but future payments will be sporadic. MPA is also haring that the payment delay may be extended to 12 months in 2012. DCRNC and other county homes will not have the cash reserves to handle this cash loss. MPA has been working with Champaign County to find an alternative financing option so we can borrow against the Medicaid receivables, called revenue anticipation notes. Klein questioned whether there will be a market for these notes. Anderson asked if DCRNC could borrow the funds from the county. Gima will follow-up.

Gima stated that payment delays and the possibility of payment cuts may be with us for the next 5 years or more. A high Medicaid mix without consistent payments compromises the financial viability of DCRNC. Future discussions will be needed on DCRNC's Medicaid exposure.

Gima provided an update on the recruitment of a full-time nurse practitioner. We are currently determining physician interest. Some level of physician support will be necessary.

Gima discussed the need to implement a corporate compliance program. Federal regulations are mandating a program by 2013.

Next Meeting: January 11, 2012 at 7:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Scott Gima Recording Secretary