



# Ferry County Public Hospital District

*Improving Health – Saving Lives*

## Farewell Nancy Betschart

In December of 2008, Nancy Betschart took the oath of office as she began her eight-year service as the at-large commissioner on the Ferry County Public Hospital District's board. At the December 20, 2016 commissioner's regular monthly meeting, we recognized Nancy's consistent devotion to our community through her service on the board to constantly improve FCPHD.

During Nancy's tenure, she worked with six different Chief Executive Officers as well as being joined by nine different commissioners on the five-member board. She served as Board President for half her eight-year tenure. FCPHD has also experienced and adopted to many health care industry changes through those years and continues to survive and provide excellent service to its community. In the beginning of her tenure, FCPHD was in a precarious financial position leading to pay cuts for employees. With help from Quorum Health Resources (QHR), and dedicated staff, FCPHD made a financial turn and continues to this day in serving our community's health care needs, even during a time which is seeing many rural Critical Access Hospitals (CAH) closing their doors. Nancy's dedicated hard work to accomplish this is deeply appreciated by us, her co-commissioners,

The board has advertised for applicants to fill the position vacated by Nancy's resigna-

tion. We received four excellent candidate application letters and have interviewed each in an open public meeting as required by law. It is anticipated

that one of the candidates will be voted in by the board to complete Nancy's term until after this fall's election. Since Nancy's elected six-year term also expires this Fall, this at-large position will also be open for election at that time for a new term. Otherwise, the position would still be open for election this Fall, but only to fill out the remaining years of an un-expired term.

We ask you to join us in thanking Nancy Betschart for her public service as well as welcome our newest board member, when selected, as we continue toward fulfilling our mission to "Strengthen the health and well-being of our community through partnership and trust."

*Dave Iverson, Nancy Betschart, DiAnne Lundgren, Ron Bacon, Nancy Giddings*

