

**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
APRIL 7, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Dunn, President
Will Kappauf
Sylvia Rodriguez-Sanchez
Don Hallmark
Wallace Dunn
Kathy Rhodes

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bryn Dodd, Vice President

OTHERS PRESENT: Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer
Kim Leftwich, Chief Nursing Officer
Dr. Timothy Benton, Chief Medical Officer
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer
Sharon Clark, Chief Financial Officer
Grant Trollope, Assistant Chief Financial Officer
Dr. Nimat Alam, Chief of Staff
Dr. Vijay Borra, Vice Chief of Staff
Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal
Lisa Russell, Executive Assistant to the CEO
Various other interested members of the
Medical Staff, employees, and citizens

I. CALL TO ORDER

David Dunn, President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Ector County Hospital District Board Room at Medical Center Hospital. Notice of the meeting was properly posted as required by the Open Meetings Act.

II. ROLL CALL AND ECHD BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE/ABSENCES

David Dunn called roll of the ECHD Board Members. Bryn Dodd was absent.

Don Hallmark moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approved Bryn Dodd's absence as excused. The motion carried.

III. INVOCATION

Chaplain Doug Herget offered the invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

David Dunn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

V. MISSION/VISION OF MEDICAL CENTER HEALTH SYSTEM

Don Hallmark presented the Mission, Vision and Values of Medical Center Health System.

VI. AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

A. April 2026 Associates of the Month

Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer, introduced the March 2026 Associates of the Month as follows:

- Clinical – Michelle Perry
- Non-Clinical – Winsor Williams
- Nurse – Amber Porras

B. Net Promoter Score Recognition

Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer, introduced the Net Promoter Score High Performer(s).

- Dr. Stephanie Kubacak
- Tammy Trollope, NP
- Chineme Chima-Nlewem PA-C

VII. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE BY ANY BOARD MEMBER

No conflicts were disclosed.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

No comments from the public were received.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, March 3, 2026**
- B. Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, March 24, 2026**
- C. Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, February 2026**

Will Kappauf moved, and Don Hallmark seconded the motion to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

1. Financial Report for Month Ended February 28, 2026.
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Consider Approval of Star Care Health Services – SharePoint Software Development & Support Renewal.

3. Consider Approval of Purchase for Replacement Patient Monitoring System in Level III NICU – CMN Funded.
4. Consider Approval of Critical Care Support Surfaces and Hillrom Baxter Bed Frames with Accessories.

Don Hallmark moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the Finance Committee report as presented. The motion carried.

B. Executive Policy Committee

The Executive Policy Committee met on Thursday, March 26, 2026 at Noon to review and approve twenty-four (24) MCH policies meeting the committee guidelines. Twenty-seven (27) forms were also reviewed and approved. The committee recommends approval of all the policies and forms as presented.

Don Hallmark moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the Executive Policy Committee report as presented. The motion carried.

XI. TTUHSC AT THE PERMIAN BASIN REPORT

Dr. Brian Schroeder, Interim Regional Dean, Odessa Campus, Texas Tech University provided an update on Texas Tech University Health Science Center. This report was informational only. No action was taken.

XII. PATIENT SAFETY AND WORKFORCE SAFETY UPDATE

Courtney Davis, Chief Experience Officer, reported to the Board about the Stroke Survey scheduled for April 21 and 22; and the upcoming General Survey in May 2026.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

XIII. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS DISTRIBUTION

Sharon Clark, Chief Financial Officer, presented the presented the Endowment Funds Distribution Agreement from Prosperity Bank for approval.

As noted in the investment agreement, the total net income for Odessa Junior College Trust is \$41,014.43. Ninety percent of that amount is \$36,912.98, and this amount will be paid to Odessa Junior College. Ten percent, \$4,101.45 will be retained as an addition to principal.

The total net for the TTUHSC-PB Trust is \$168,419.90. Ninety percent of that amount is \$151,577.91, and this amount will be paid to TTUHSC-PB. Ten percent, \$16,841.99 will be retained as an addition to principal.

The total net income for University of Texas-PB is \$42,315.63. Ninety percent of that amount is \$38,084.06, and this amount will be paid to University of Texas-PB. Ten percent, \$4,231.57 will be retained as an addition to principal.

Wallace Dunn moved, and Sylvia Rodriguez-Sanchez seconded the motion to approve the Endowment Funds Distribution Agreement from Prosperity Bank as presented. The motion carried.

XIV. BUDGET PROCESS UPDATE

Sharon Clark, Chief Financial Officer, presented a budget process update.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

XV. PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT AND ACTIONS

A. Board Retreat Update

Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer, reminded the Board that the Board Retreat was scheduled for April 29-30, 2026 at the Odessa Country Club.

This was informational only. No action was taken.

B. Ad hoc Reports

Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer, informed the Board that the Grand Opening for the Permian Basin Behavioral Health Center is scheduled for May 6, 2026.

The Provider Recruitment report was provided in the packet.

The Community Diabetes Clinic flyer was provided in the packet.

PBBHC Phased Opening Timeline documentation was provided in the packet.

Odessa Development News was provided in the packet.

These reports were informational only. No action was taken.

XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

David Dunn stated that the Board would go into Executive Session for the meeting held in closed session involving any of the following: (1) Consultation with attorney regarding legal matters and legal issues pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code;(2) Deliberation regarding negotiations for health care services, pursuant to Section 551.085 of the Texas Government Code; and (3) to receive the Compliance Report from the Chief Compliance Officer pursuant to Section 161.032 of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

ATTENDEES for the entire Executive Session: ECHD Board members, Will Kappauf, Sylvia Rodriguez-Sanchez, David Dunn, Don Hallmark, Wallace Dunn, Kathy Rhodes and Russell Tippin, President/CEO, Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, Sharon Clark, Chief Financial Officer, Adiel Alvarado, President of MCH ProCare, and Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal.

Gingie Sredanovich, Chief Compliance and Privacy Officer, provided a compliance update to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session and then was excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Adiel Alvarado, President of MCH ProCare, presented the ProCare provider agreements to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session.

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, presented the MCH TraumaCare provider agreements to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session.

Russell Tippin, President/CEO and Sharon Clark, Chief Financial Officer, led the board in discussion about a Payor contract.

Russell Tippin, President/CEO, and Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, reported to the ECHD Board of Directors about a Cardiology issue.

Russell Tippin, President/CEO, provided an update on the Diabetes Clinic at Clements.

Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, provided an update on the parking lot lease with TTUHSC.

Russell Tippin, President/CEO, and Adiel Alvarado, President MCH ProCare, led the board in discussion about Permian Regional Medical Center.

Executive Session began at 6:15 p.m.

Executive Session ended at 7:13 p.m.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

XVII. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Consider Approval of MCH ProCare Provider Agreements.

David Dunn presented the following renewal contract:

- Albino Gelera, N.P. – This is a three (3) year renewal of a Hospitalist Contract.

David Dunn presented the following amendments:

- Tammy Trollope, N.P. – This is an amendment to a FHC Family Medicine Contract.
- Aseem Kumar Bhandari, M.D. – This is an amendment to a Radiology Contract.
- Stacie Cooper, N.P. – This is an amendment to a Cardiology Contract.
- Sean Garcia, N.P. – This is an amendment to an Orthopedics Contract.
- George Rodendo, M.D. – This is an amendment to a Radiology Contract.

Kathy Rhodes moved, and Sylvia Rodriguez-Sanchez seconded the motion to approve the MCH ProCare Provider Agreements as presented. The motion carried.

B. Consider Approval of MCH TraumaCare Provider Agreement.

David Dunn presented the following renewal contract:

- Dennis Choi, M.D. – This is a three (3) year renewal of a Trauma Contract.

Kathy Rhodes moved, and Don Hallmark seconded the motion to approve the MCH TraumaCare Provider Agreement as presented. The motion carried.

XVIII.ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, David Dunn adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Will Kappauf, Board Secretary
Ector County Hospital District Board of Directors