



**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bryn Dodd, President
Wallace Dunn, Vice President
Mary Lou Anderson
Kathy Rhodes
Don Hallmark
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** David Dunn
Richard Herrera
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel
Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer
Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing Officer
Adiel Alvarado, President MCH ProCare
David Chancellor, Vice President of Human Resources
Alison Pradon, Vice President of Development
Dr. Donald Davenport, Chief of Staff
Dr. Gregory Shipkey, Interim Vice Chief of Staff
Dr. Timothy Benton, TTUHSC Permian Basin
Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal
Michaela Johnson, Executive Assistant to CEO
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Various other interested members of the
Medical Staff, employees, and citizens

I. CALL TO ORDER

Bryn Dodd, President, called the meeting to order at 5:39 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. INVOCATION

Chaplain Doug Herget offered the invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Bryn Dodd led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

IV. MISSION/VISION OF MEDICAL CENTER HEALTH SYSTEM

Wallace Dunn presented the Mission, Vision and Values of Medical Center Health System.

V. AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

A. October 2021 Associates of the Month

Russell Tippin introduced the 2021 Associates of the Month as follows:

- Clinical – Edna Lazo, Anesthesia
- Non-Clinical – Andrea Davila – ECHD Police Department
- Nurse – Donna Calunod, RN - NICU

B. Unit HCAHPS High Performers

Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing and Experience Officer introduced the Unit HCAHPS High Performer(s)

- 6 West
- ProCare Family Medicine - Golder

VI. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE BY ANY BOARD MEMBER

No conflicts were disclosed.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

No comments from the public were received.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider Approval of Special Meeting Minutes, September 9, 2021**
- B. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, September 9, 2021**
- C. Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, September 28, 2021**
- D. Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, August 2021**
- E. Consider Approval of January 2022 through January 2023 Board/Finance Committee Meeting Dates**

January 6, 2022 (*Thursday*)
February 1, 2022
March 1, 2022
April 5, 2022
May 3, 2022

To be Determined (Board Retreat)
June 7, 2022
July 7, 2022 (*Thursday*)
August 2, 2022
September 8, 2022 (*Thursday*)

October 4, 2022
November 1, 2022
December 6, 2022
January 5, 2023 (*Thursday*)

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

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

1. Financial Report for Month Ended August 31, 2021
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Consider Approval of the 724 Access Services & Support Contract Renewal
 - b. Consider Approval of the Everbridge Contract Renewal
 - c. Consider Approval of the Advanced Cardiovascular Perfusion Inc. Agreement Renewal
 - d. Consider Approval of Abbot Point of Care Service Plan Agreement for 51 iStat Analyzers Renewal
3. Capital Expenditure Requests
 - a. Consider Approval of CER for Digital Front Door Solution
 - b. Consider Approval of CER for Siemens Artis Q Ceiling Combo Radiology/Cardiology and Ultrasound
 - c. Consider Approval of CER for General Laparoscopic Instrument Sets x5
 - d. Consider Approval of CER for Stryker ENT Navigation with targeted guided Surgery Technology
 - e. Consider Approval of CER for Stryker ENT Tower
 - f. Consider Approval of CER for Sonopet iQ Ultrasonic Aspirator
 - g. Consider Approval of CER for Call Light System
4. Consider Approval of Axon Report Management System, Body Worn Cameras and Tazers

Wallace Dunn moved, and Don Hallmark seconded the motion to approve the Finance Committee report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

X. TTUHSC AT THE PERMIAN BASIN REPORT

Dr. Timothy Benton, Regional Dean of TTUHSC provided the TTUHSC at the Permian Basin Report. This report was for information only and no action was taken.

XI. CONSIDER RESOLUTION APPROVING CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION AND BYLAWS FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION TO ESTABLISH, OWN, AND OPERATE A COMPREHENSIVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER TO SERVE THE PERMIAN BASIN REGION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND APPOINTING DIRECTORS

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

APPROVING CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION AND BYLAWS FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION TO ESTABLISH, OWN, AND OPERATE A COMPREHENSIVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER TO SERVE THE PERMIAN BASIN REGION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND APPOINTING DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, Ector County Hospital District (the "Sponsor") has received a written application (the "Application") for approval of the certificate of formation and bylaws of a local government corporation (the "Corporation"), to be named Permian Basin Behavioral Health Center, under authority of Chapter 431, Subchapter D, Texas Transportation Code, to act on behalf of the Sponsor and Midland County Hospital District; the Application has been signed by at least three (3) residents of the Sponsor and three (3) residents of Midland County Hospital District, all of whom are citizens of the State of Texas and at least 18 years of age; and a majority of the initial directors of the Corporation named in the certificate of formation are residents of either the Sponsor or Midland County Hospital District; and

WHEREAS, the board of directors (the "Governing Body") of the Sponsor has considered the Application and determined that the Sponsor and its residents will benefit from a comprehensive behavioral health center to serve the Permian Basin region of the State of Texas;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE SPONSOR HEREBY FINDS AND DETERMINES THAT the formation of the Corporation is wise, expedient, necessary, and advisable; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE SPONSOR THAT:

- Governing Documents.** The Governing Body approves the form of certificate of formation and bylaws of the Corporation as presented with the Application.
- Initial Directors.** The Governing Body appoints the persons specified as initial directors resident in the Sponsor in such certificate of formation as initial directors of the Corporation.
- No Liability.** The approvals and appointments made hereby are solely for purposes of satisfying a condition to the filing of certificate of formation of the Corporation with the Secretary of State of Texas and shall not be construed as a representation, warranty, or other undertaking of any kind by the Governing Body or the Sponsor in respect of the Corporation. No obligation of the Corporation shall constitute an obligation of the Sponsor or a pledge of the faith or credit of the Sponsor.
- Severability.** If any provision of this resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remaining provisions and applications of this resolution shall nevertheless be valid, and the Governing Body hereby declares that this resolution would have been enacted without such invalid provision.
- Open Meeting.** It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution is passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 5th day of October, 2021.



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The Ector County Hospital District Directors are Russell Tippin, Matt Collins, and Steve Steen.

Wallace Dunn moved, and Mary Lou Anderson seconded the motion to approve the Resolution as stated. The motion carried.

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

A. Resolution to Appoint ECHD Board Member to the Ector County Appraisal District Board

At the request of Ector County Appraisal District, Russell Tippin presented the following Resolution. This appointment was original done back in July with all the other board appointments.



RESOLUTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF ECTOR §


On the 5th day of October, 2021, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ector County Hospital District (ECHD), a government entity, held in the City of Odessa, Ector County, with a quorum of the Directors present, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Property Tax Code sets the terms of the members of the Ector County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

WHEREAS, ECHD has one (1) member on the appraisal district board, and the current member's term expires December 31, 2021.

WHEREAS, ECHD appoints David Dunn, ECHD Board Member to serve on the Ector County Appraisal District Board of Directors for the 2022-2023 term.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of ECHD hereby appoints David Dunn to serve on the Ector County Appraisal District Board of Directors.


Bryn Dodd, President
Ector County Hospital District
Board of Directors


Wallace Dunn, Vice President
Ector County Hospital District
Board of Directors

Wallace Dunn moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the Resolution as presented. The motion carried.

B. COVID-19 Update

Russell Tippin, President/CEO provided a report on Medical Center Hospital and the response to the COVID-19 virus.

There are currently 42 patients in-house. There have been lines at the clinics for testing and vaccinations. We anticipate seeing a bump in the numbers with the holidays being 30 days apart.

Vaccine mandate – right now it is a hurry up and wait situation. Moderna has not been approved for the booster, but Pfizer has.

62% of employees are fully vaccinated.

The Regeneron Clinic is working to keep people out of the hospital. They are seeing between 50 and 70 people a day.

This report was for information only. No action was taken.

C. Nursing Workforce Review

Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing Officer, presented the Nursing Workforce Review.

This report was for information only. No action was taken.

D. Level II Trauma

There was discussion about the Hospital's Trauma designation. The decision to move from Level II to Level III a year ago was due to the financial burden of maintaining the Level II designation.

This was for information only. No action was taken.

E. Ad-hoc Reports

Russell Tippin, President/CEO provided an update on Dr. Huhnke, the new Chief Medical Officer. Her anticipated start date is January 1, 2022.

ECHD and the City of Odessa will be entering into an agreement for the \$3 Million Dollars the city has appropriated to ECHD. The deadline to receive 100% reimbursement is the end of the year.

The services for Sgt. Valenzuela were held on Saturday and there was a great response from the region.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Everyone is encouraged to wear pink on Wednesdays in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness.

The Regional Services Report was provided.

These reports were for information only. No action was taken.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Bryn Dodd 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; and (2) Deliberation regarding negotiations for health care services, pursuant to Section 551.085 of the Texas Government Code.

ATTENDEES for the entire Executive Session: ECHD Board members Bryn Dodd, Mary Lou Anderson, Don Hallmark, Kathy Rhodes, Wallace Dunn, and Russell Tippin, President/CEO, Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, Michaela Johnson, Executive Assistant to CEO, and Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal.

Adiel Alvarado, President for MCH ProCare, reported to the Board of Directors regarding ProCare provider agreements, MCHS On-call agreement and a Medical Director agreement with TTUHSC during Executive Session then was excused.

Russell Tippin, President and Chief Executive Officer, Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer and Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel led the Board of Directors in discussions regarding the agreement and funds with Nacero. Steve Ewing was excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Russell Tippin, President and Chief Executive Officer and Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel led the Board of Directors in discussions about an Open Records Request during Executive Session.

Executive Session began at 6:52 pm.

Executive Session ended at 8:31 p.m.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

XIV. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Consider Approval of MCHS On-call Agreements

Bryn Dodd presented the following MCHS On-call Agreement:

- Dr. Dorman, Neurosurgery and Spinal Surgery (Trauma/Emergency Services). This is 1-year Agreement.

Don Hallmark moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the MCHS On-call Agreement as presented. The motion carried.

B. Consider Approval of MCH ProCare Provider Agreements

Bryn Dodd presented the following new agreement:

- Merissa Ramirez, FNP-BC. This is a 3-year agreement for Retail.

Bryn Dodd presented the following amendments:

- Rizwan Asim, M.D. This is an amendment to the hospitalist agreement.
- Suzanne Cearley, APRN, PNP-C. This is an amendment to the FHC Pediatrics contract.

Bryn Dodd presented the following renewal agreement:

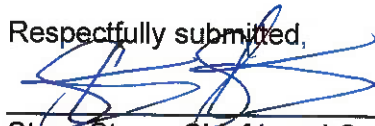
- Suzanne Cearley, APRN, PNP-C. This is a 3-year renewal for FHC Pediatrics contract.

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

XV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Bryn Dodd adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel
Ector County Hospital District