



**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 2022 – 4:30 p.m.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bryn Dodd, President
Wallace Dunn, Vice President
Mary Lou Anderson
David Dunn
Don Hallmark
Kathy Rhodes
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Richard Herrera
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer
Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer
Kim Leftwich, Interim Chief Nursing Officer
Adiel Alvarado, President MCH ProCare
Dr. Davenport, Chief of Staff
Dr. Pinnow, 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

Bryn Dodd, President, called the meeting to order at 4:30 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. INVOCATION

Chaplain Farrell Ard 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. November 2022 Associates of the Month

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer, introduced the November 2022 Associates of the Month as follows:

- Clinical – Rachel Arellano
- Non-Clinical – Amy Silva
- Nurse – Sylvia Ruiz

B. Unit HCAHPS High Performers

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer, introduced the Unit HCAHPS High Performer(s)

- WSMP Endo Surgery
- FHC West OB

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. APPOINTMENT OF ECHD CHIEF OF POLICE

Bryn Dodd, President, administered the oath to newly appointed Chief Kelly Ceci, I and his wife, Sarah Cecil, pinned his badge.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, October 4, 2022**
- B. Consider Approval of Emergency Meeting Minutes, October 20, 2022**
- C. Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, October 25, 2022**
- D. Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, September 2022**

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

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Audit Committee

1. Update of Interim Audit Work
2. 2022/2023 Project Plan

Wallace Dunn moved, and David Dunn seconded the motion to approve the Audit Committee report as presented. The motion carried.

B. Finance Committee

1. Quarterly Investment Report – Quarter, 4, FY 2022
2. Quarterly Investment Officer's Certification
3. Financial Report for Month Ended September 30, 2022
4. Consent Agenda
 - a. Consider Approval of CareFusion Solutions LLC Contract Renewal
 - b. Consider Approval of UpToDate Contract Renewal
5. Consider Approval of AP Automation Software Agreement with Premier

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

XI. TTUHSC AT THE PERMIAN BASIN REPORT

No report was given.

XII. NURSING WORKFORCE / MAGNET UPDATE

Kim Leftwich, Interim Chief Nursing Officer and Dani Butterfield, Magnet Director, provided the Nursing Workforce and Magnet update to the ECHD Board.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

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

A. COVID-19 Update

Russell Tippin reported that COVID-19 numbers remain low; there are only 2 patients in-house.

Wallace Dunn stated that he hopes this is the last COVID-19 update the board receives.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

B. COVID-19 Masking Plan Update

Russell Tippin reported that he has the 14-page universal masking policy, which details the changes to MCH masking guidelines. The masking policy coordinates directly with the Community Level and County Transmission Levels.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

C. Ad hoc Report(s)

The Regional Services Update was provided.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

XIV. 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, David Dunn, Don Hallmark, Wallace Dunn, Kathy Rhodes, Russell Tippin, President and CEO, Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, and Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal.

Adiel Alvarado, President of MCH ProCare, presented the provider agreements and provided a cardiology update to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session and then was excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer, Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, and Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, led the board in discussions about the Permian Basin Behavioral Health Center.

Russell Tippin and Steve Steen led the board in discussions about an amendment with Nacero.

Executive Session began at 5:00 p.m.

Executive Session ended at 6:11 p.m.

XV. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Consider Approval of MCH ProCare Provider Agreement(s).

Bryn Dodd presented the following new agreements:

- Benjamin Cunningham, M.D. – This a three (3) year Orthopedics Contract.
- Iva Fontenot, CRNA – This is a three (3) year Anesthesia Contract.
- Corey Smith, CNRA – This is a one (1) year Anesthesia Contract.
- Katrina Loera, FNP – This is a three (3) year Gastroenterology Contract.

Bryn Dodd presented the following amendment:

- Domingo Caparas, M.D. – This is an amendment to a Hospitalist Contract.

Bryn Dodd presented the following renewal agreements:

- Valerie Drnovsek, M.D. – This is three (3) year renewal of a Radiology Contract.
- George Rodenko, M.D. – This is a three (3) year renewal of a Radiology Contract.

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

B. Consider Approval of Nacero Amendment.

This item was tabled. No action was taken.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Bryn Dodd adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David Dunn, Secretary
Ector County Hospital District Board of Directors