



**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2021 – 4:00 p.m.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Wallace Dunn, Chairman
David Dunn, Board Member
Kathy Rhodes, Board Member
Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer
Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer
Donald Davenport, DO, Chief of Staff
Gregory Shipkey, MD, Interim Vice Chief of Staff

OTHERS PRESENT: Don Hallmark, Board Member
Mary Lou Anderson, Board Member
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel
Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing Officer
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer
Gingie Sredanovich, Chief Compliance Officer
Alison Pradon, Vice President Development
Adiel Alvarado, President MCH ProCare
Linda Carpenter, Chief Information Officer
David Chancellor, Vice President Human Resources
Grant Trollope, Assistant Chief Financial Officer
Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal

OTHERS PRESENT: Various other interested members of the Medical Staff, Employees and Citizens

I. CALL TO ORDER

Wallace Dunn called the meeting to order at 4:00 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 Laws.

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 1, 2021 MEETING

Wallace Dunn asked if the committee had reviewed the minutes of the November 1, 2021 meeting, and if there were any additions or corrections.

David Dunn moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2021 Finance Committee meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

III. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE BY ANY BOARD MEMBER

No conflicts were disclosed.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

No comments from the public were received.

V. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION:

A. Finance Committee

1. Financial report for month ended October 31, 2021

Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer presented a summary review of the financial reports for the month ended October 31, 2021.

David Dunn moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the summary review of the financial reports for the month ended October 31, 2021 as presented. The motion carried.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Consider Approval of the VMware Software License Support Renewal.
- b. Consider Approval of the Cisco SmartNet Hardware/Software Maintenance Support Renewal.
- c. Consider Approval of Vizient Utilization Management Support Agreement Renewal.
- d. Consider Approval of Gjerset & Lorenz LLP Waiver Engagement Agreement

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

3. Capital Expenditure Request

- a. Consider Ratification of Emergency Purchase of CER for ECHD Police Department Vehicles.

Brad Timmons, Chief of ECHD Police, presented the CER for the purchase and replacement of 2 police patrol vehicles that are at the end of life. This is to purchase 2 Ford pick-ups

David Dunn moved, and Dr. Shipkey seconded the motion to approve the ratification of Emergency Purchase of CER for ECHD Police Department Vehicles as presented. The motion carried.

- b. Consider Approval of CER for Nihon Kohden Network Upgrade.

Linda Carpenter, CIO, presented the CER for Nihon Kohden Network Upgrade. The current fiber switches are over ten years old and are no longer supported.

Upgrading these switches to the current hardware is necessary to ensure a continued reliable stable network.

Kathy Rhodes moved, and Dr. Shipkey seconded the motion to approve the CER for Nihon Kohden Network Upgrade as presented. The motion carried.

4. Consider Approval of Cerner Patient Reminders.

Linda Carpenter, CIO, presented the Cerner Patient Reminders. This solution will send appointment reminders and provide the ability for patients to confirm, cancel, or reschedule an appointment through a text thread. This will improve the overall patient experience at MCHS and is an essential part of MCH's current investment to our Telehealth and Digital Front Door strategies.

Kathy Rhodes moved, and David Dunn seconded the motion to approve the Cerner Patient Reminders as presented. The motion carried.

5. Consider Approval of HPIR – LLC CDI Consultant Services Agreement.

Steve Ewing, CFO, presented the HPIR – LLC CDI Consultant Services Agreement. HPIR will provide consulting services for the CDI Department. Services include assessing current staffing models and processes, review policies and procedures, review educational programs, review current query templates and processes, and review current collaboration points between CDI and other teams.

David Dunn moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the HPIR – LLC CDI Consultant Services Agreement as presented. The motion carried.

6. Consider Approval of XSolis- Revenue Cycle Case Management Agreement

Kim Leftwich, ACNO, presented the XSolis- Revenue Cycle Case Management Agreement. XSolis will provide improvement in case management workflow by utilizing real-time predictive analytics and automation. Benefits include reduced observation rates, decreased medical necessity and admissions denials, increased staff efficiency and improved payer communications.

Kathy Rhodes moved, and David Dunn seconded the motion to approve the XSolis- Revenue Cycle Case Management Agreement as presented. The motion carried.

7. Consider Approval of Capital Expenditure 3-year Program

Kim Leftwich, ACNO, presented the Capital Expenditure 3-year Program.

Kathy Rhodes moved, and Dr. Shipkey seconded the motion to accept the Capital Expenditure 3-year Program as presented. The motion carried.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David Dunn, Secretary
Ector County Hospital District