

**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 7, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bryn Dodd, President
Wallace Dunn, Vice President
Mary Lou Anderson
Richard Herrera
David Dunn
Don Hallmark
Kathy Rhodes

OTHERS PRESENT: Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel
Dr. Meredith Hulseley, Chief Medical Officer
Kim Leftwich, Chief Nursing Officer
Dr. Gregory Shipkey, Chief of Staff
Dr. Jeff Pinnow, Vice Chief of Staff
Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal
Lisa Russell, Executive Assistant to the CEO
Russell Meyers, President/CEO of Midland Health
Kory Smith, Controller - TTUHSC
Various other interested members of the
Medical Staff, employees, and citizens

I. CALL TO ORDER

Bryn Dodd, President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 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 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

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

V. AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

A. March 2023 Associates of the Month

Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, introduced the March 2023 Associates of the Month as follows:

- Clinical –Mireya Prieto
- Non-Clinical – Isabel Barrios
- Nurse – Marily Modesto

B. Net Promoter Score Recognition

Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, introduced the Net Promoter Score High Performer(s).

- Dr. Jorge Alamo
- Special Procedures

VI. TRAUMA EDUCATION AND UPDATE

Sirena Watts, Trauma Coordinator, provide an educational update on the trauma departments outreach programs to the ECHD Board of Directors.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

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, February 9, 2023**
- B. Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, February 28, 2023**
- C. Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, January 2023**

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

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

1. Financial Report for Month Ended January 31, 2023
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Consider Approval of Citrix Platform Hardware License Support Renewal.
 - b. Consider Approval of Crothall Helathcare Inc. Contract Amendment Renewal
 - c. Consider Approval of Firetrol Protection Services Contract Renewal.

- d. Approved CapEx Purchase – Update on purchase of CT Scanner.
- e. Consider Approval of Abbott Diabetes Care Pricing Agreement and Upgrade Renewal.
3. Consider Approval of SOFIE PET Radiopharmaceuticals Agreement.
4. Healthfuse Update – was tabled.

Dr. George Rodenko asked to address the board regarding the recent purchase of the CT Scanner. He asked the board if they had any questions on how this equipment was selected. He explained that the unit that was replaced was purchased 18 years ago. He congratulated the Board on having a pre-approved capital budget.

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

Kory Smith, TTUHSC Controller, provided the TTUHSC at the Permian Basin report. This report was for information only and no action was taken.

XII. NURSING UPDATE – NURSING WORKFORCE, STAFFING ADVISORY, AND MAGNET

Kim Leftwich, Chief Nursing Officer, provide an update on the Nursing Workforce, Natalie Sandell, Divisional Director, provide an update on the Staffing Advisory, and Dani Butterfield, Magnet Director, provide an update on the Magnet journey to the ECHD Board of Directors.

These reports were informational only. No action was taken.

XIII. CONSIDER CERTIFICATION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, presented the Certification of Unopposed Candidates (District 4 and 6). This certification confirms that the Ector County Hospital Board Members for Districts 4 and 6 are running unopposed in the May 6, 2023 election. The Certification is as follows:

AW12-1
Prescribed by Secretary of State
Section 2.051 – 2.053, Texas Election Code
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**CERTIFICATION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES FOR
OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS (NOT COUNTY)
CERTIFICACIÓN DE CANDIDATOS ÚNICOS
PARA OTRAS SUBDIVISIONES POLITICAS (NO EL CONDADO)**

To: Presiding Officer of Governing Body
Al: Presidente de la entidad gobernante

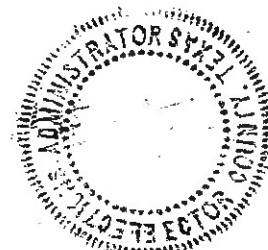
As the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared, I hereby certify that the following candidates are unopposed for election to office for the election scheduled to be held on May 6, 2023.

Como autoridad a cargo de la preparación de la boleta de votación oficial, por la presente certifico que los siguientes candidatos son candidatos únicos para elección para un cargo en la elección que se llevará a cabo el 6 de mayo de 2023.

List offices and names of candidates:
Lista de cargos y nombres de los candidatos:

Office(s) Cargo(s)	Candidate(s) Candidato(s)
<i>Ector County Hospital District, District 4 Distrito del Hospital del Condado de Ector, Distrito 4</i>	<i>David Dunn</i>
<i>Ector County Hospital District, District 6 Distrito del Hospital del Condado de Ector, Distrito 6</i>	<i>Wallace Dunn</i>

Lisa Sertuche
Signature (Firma)
LISA SERTUCHE
Printed name (Nombre en letra de molde)
Elections Administrator
Title (Puesto)
03-02-23
Date of signing (Fecha de firma)



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Richard Herrera moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates. The motion carried.

XIV. CONSIDER ORDER OF CANCELLATION OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS DISTRICT 4 AND 6

Steve Steen presented the Order of Cancellation of Election of Directors District 4 and 6. This order cancels the election for those districts whose candidates are unopposed and thereby elected. The Order is as follows:

**ORDER OF CANCELLATION OF ELECTION
(DIRECTOR DISTRICT 4 AND 6)
ORDEN DE CANCELACIÓN DE LA ELECCIÓN
(DIRECTOR DE DISTRITO 4 y 6)**

The Ector County Hospital District hereby cancels the election for Director District 4 and District 6 scheduled to be held on May 6, 2023 in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code. The following candidates have been certified as unopposed and are hereby elected as follows:

El distrito del Hospital del Condado Ector por este medio cancela la elección de Director del Distrito 4 y del Distrito 6 que estaba programada para el 6 de mayo de 2023, de acuerdo con la Sección 2.053(a) del Código de Elecciones de Texas. Los candidatos siguientes han sido certificados como candidatos sin oposición y son por este medio elegidos como sigue:

<u>Candidate (Candidato)</u>	<u>Office Sought (Cargo al que presenta candidatura)</u>
David Dunn	Board of Directors - District 4 (Junta de Directores – Distrito 4)
Wallace Dunn	Board of Directors – District 6 (Junta de Directores – Distrito 6)

A copy of this order will be posted on Election Day at each polling place that would have been used in the election.


El día de las elecciones se exhibirá una copia de esta orden en todos los centros electorales que se hubieran utilizado en la elección.



President (Presidente)



Secretary (Secretario)



Date of adoption (Fecha de adopción)

Richard Herrera moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the Order of Cancellation of Election of Directors District 4 and 6. The motion carried.

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

A. Update of Planned Power Shutdown

Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, reported to the Board that the 60-year-old switchgear was replaced during the planned power shutdown on March 3-4, 2023.

This report was informational only and no action was taken.

B. COVID-19 Update

Russell Tippin, President/CEO, reported that there was if the numbers hold we will be coming out of masks.

This report was informational only and no action was taken.

C. Dr. Hulsey – CMO Update

Dr. Hulsey, Chief Medical Officer, reported to the Board that she is receiving ideas from providers and provider engagement leads to retention. She reminded the Board that Doctors Day Lunch will be March 30, 2023 from 11:00am – 2:00pm. There are plans to have an Advanced Practitioner Day in the Fall.

This report was informational only and no action was taken.

D. Ad hoc Report(s)

Russell Tippin reported that a pop-up hiring event was held recently, it was a great event – worth the time.

The Regional Services report was provided in the packet.

These reports were informational only. No action was taken.

XVI. 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; (2) Deliberation regarding negotiations for health care services, pursuant to Section 551.085 of the Texas Government Code; and (3) Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations.

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, Dr. Meredith Hulsey, Chief Medical Officer, and Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal.

Russell Meyers, President/Chief Executive Officer of Midland Health, led the ECHD Board of Directors in discussions during Executive Session about the Permian Basin Behavioral Health Center, Permian Basin Medical Center and HB492 legislation filed by Tom Craddick. Board Member Richard Herrera left the remainder of the meeting. Russell Meyers and Kim Leftwich, Chief Nursing Officer, were excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Russell Tippin, President/CEO, led the board discussions about the ARPA funds, University of Texas, and HB492 language. Kory Smith, TTUHSC was excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, led the board in discussion about HB492 language during Executive Session.

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

Russell Tippin, President/CEO, and Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, led the board in discussion about regional economic developments.

Executive Session began at 6:26 p.m.
Executive Session ended at 8:47 p.m.

XVII. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Bryn Dodd presented the following new agreements:

- Mayra Villa, CNP – This a three (3) year Urgent Care Contract.
- Yarines Gonzalez, N.P.– This is a three (3) year Pain Management Contract.
- Varunsiri Atti, M.D. – This is a three (3) year Cardiology Contract.

Bryn Dodd presented the following renewal agreements:

- Sam Kim, M.D. – This is three (3) year renewal of an Internal Medicine Contract.
- Marivic Salarda, CRNA – This is a three (3) year renewal of a Anesthesia Contract.
- Beverly Gifford, N.P. – This a three (3) year renewal of a Family Health Clinic Contract.
- Ellen Novicio, N.P. – This a three (3) year renewal of a Cardiology Contract.

Bryn Dodd presented the following amendments:

- Tammy Trollope N.P. – This is an amendment to a FHC Family Medicine Contract.
- Chineme Chima-Nlewem, MPAS, PA-C – This is an amendment to a Pain Management Contract.

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

B. Consider Approval of MCH TraumaCare Provider Agreement

Bryn Dodd presented the following new MCH TraumaCare Provider agreement:

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

Wallace Dunn moved, and Mary Lou Anderson 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, Bryn Dodd adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David Dunn, Secretary
Ector County Hospital District Board of Directors