



**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JUNE 7, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bryn Dodd, President
~~Wallace Dunn, Vice President~~
Mary Lou Anderson
David Dunn
Don Hallmark

MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Herrera
Kathy Rhodes

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
Dr. Donald Davenport, Chief of Staff
Dr. Jeff Pinnow, Vice Chief of Staff
Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal
Lisa Russell, Executive Assistant to the 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 5:30 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

Mary Lou Anderson presented the Mission, Vision and Values of Medical Center Health System.

V. ODESSA COLLEGE NURSING STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer along with representatives from Odessa College, Jacqui Gore, VP for Advancement, Business and Government Relations and Allisa Cornelius, Dean of the School of Health Sciences reported to the ECHD Board about the positive affects the Nursing Student Scholarships are going to provide to OC nursing students and in turn Medical Center Hospital.

This was informational only. No action taken.

VI. AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

A. June 2022 Associates of the Month

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

- Clinical – Piedad (Pia) Brown
- Non-Clinical – Tena Lee
- Nurse – Christy Wade, RN

B. Unit HCAHPS High Performers

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

- Cath Lab
- FHC West Family Medicine
- 5W

C. CAUTI Team Presentation

Brenda Dalrymple and Brianna Romero with the CAUTI/CLABSI Committee presented the update to the board. This presentation was informational only.

VII. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE BY ANY BOARD MEMBER

No conflicts were disclosed.

VIII. ECHD BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS / APPOINTMENT

- A. President – Bryn Dodd**
- B. Vice President – Wallace Dunn**
- C. Executive Committee Member – Don Hallmark**
- D. Secretary – David Dunn**

Wallace Dunn made the motion to keep the all of the current officers in place, and Don Hallmark seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

No comments from the public were received.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider Approval of Board Retreat Meeting Minutes, April 28-29, 2022**
- B. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, May 3, 2022**
- C. Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, May 24, 2022**
- D. Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, April 2022**

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

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Audit Committee

1. Update of Interim Audit Work

B. Finance Committee

1. Financial Report for Month Ended April 30, 2022
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Consider Approval of Medical Physics Consultants Contract Renewal
 - b. Consider Approval of Merge Healthcare Contract Renewal
 - c. Consider Approval of UpToDate Contract Renewal
 - d. Consider Approval of Additional Funds for Vero Biotech LLC Contract
3. Consider Ratification of the Viz.ai Subscription Agreement
4. Consider Approval of Amendment to Statement of Work with Vizient
5. Consider Approval of MCH TraumaCare Agreement
6. Consider Approval of Sterile Processing Department Project

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

XII. TTUHSC AT THE PERMIAN BASIN REPORT

No report was provided this month.

XIII. GENERAL 5 STAR QUALITY REPORT

Courtney Look, Associated Chief Patient Experience Officer, and Kayla Bairrington, RN, Director of Quality and Patient Safety, presented the General 5 Star Quality Report.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

XIV. LENGTH OF STAY/OBSERVATION UNIT PROJECT REPORT OUT

Kim Leftwich, Associated Chief Nursing Officer presented the Length of Stay/Observation Unit Project report.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

XV. ECHD REDISTRICTING RESOLUTION

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, presented the ECHD Redistricting Resolution.

A RESOLUTION OF THE ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPTING A PLAN FOR REDISTRICTING TO REFLECT POPULATION GROWTH BASED ON DATA FROM THE 2020 UNITED STATES CENSUS.

WHEREAS, the 2020 United States Census showed an overall increase in the population of the Ector County Hospital District; and

WHEREAS, the Ector County Hospital District was represented on the Ector County Redistricting Task Force in 2021 to re-draw boundaries for certain elected officials in Ector County, Texas, including directors for the Ector County Hospital District; and

WHEREAS, the Ector County Redistricting Task Force included among its recommendations, Plan A, attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, Plan A: draws districts to contain similar total population size with a maximum deviation of less than ten percent (10%) between the smallest district and the largest district; draws districts that contain contiguous and compact geographic areas; uses identifiable geographic features and boundaries; uses county election precinct lines as single-member district boundaries; maintains racial and/or language minority population as a community of interest in one or more single-member district; and follows guidelines as defined in the Voting Rights Act to avoid retrogression.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT:

Section 1. That the facts stated in the preamble are found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. That the Ector County Hospital District Police Department hereby adopts Plan A, to be submitted to the United States Department of Justice for review and preclearance.

Section 3. That, subject to approval by the United States Department of Justice, the Ector County Hospital District adopts Plan A as the boundaries for its seven districts, effective beginning with the subsequent election of a director in a regular election.

The foregoing resolution was approved and adopted on June 7, 2022, by the following vote:
_____ 5 _____ in favor, _____ 0 _____ opposed.

Approved the 7th day of June, A.D., 2022.

Bryn Dodd, President

ATTEST:

David Dunn, Board Secretary

David Dunn moved, and Don Hallmark seconded the motion to approve the ECHD Redistricting Resolution as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

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

A. Thank You Letter from Odessa College Foundation re: Donation

The letter from Odessa College was provided.

This is informational only. No action was taken.

B. Statewide Trends Shaping Our Future

A presentation from Texas 2036.org was provided.

This is informational only. No action was taken.

C. ECHD Foundation Directive

After discussion in Executive Session, David Dunn moved, and Don Hallmark seconded the motion to approve the ECHD Foundation Directive as presented.

The motion carried.

D. Universal Mask Policy Update

Due to the increase in area COVID-19 numbers there is no update and no action is required.

E. COVID-19 Update

Russell Tippin, President and Chief Executive Officer, reported that there are currently 4 Covid-19 patients

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

F. PBBHC Funding Agreement

After discussion in Executive Session, David Dunn moved, and Mary Lou Anderson seconded the motion to approve the PBBHC Funding Agreement as presented.

The motion carried.

G. Strategic Planning Update

There was a meeting with Permian Strategic Partnership to discuss the ICU project.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

H. THT Conference – July

The THT Annual Conference is in Fort Worth, TX July 27-30.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

I. Ad-hoc Reports

Medical Center Hospital is receiving recognition from The Best of the Basin.

Dr. Pinnow reported that the Texas Tech Residents were welcomed.

Carol Evans, Divisional Director of Radiology, provided an update of the worldwide contrast shortage. The shortage is a result of the GE plant shutting down in China due to the rise in COVID-19 cases. MCH is receiving weekly allocations.

The Regional Services Report was provided.

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

XVII. 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 Real Property pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; (3) Deliberation regarding negotiations for health care services, pursuant to Section 551.085 of the Texas Government Code; and (4) 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, and Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer, Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, and Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal.

Mary Gallegos, Risk Manager, provided the Risk Management 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 provider agreements, on-call agreement and MCH TraumaCare agreements to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session and then was excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, presented a MCHS lease agreement to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session. He also provide an update to the ECHD Board of Directors of Real Estate items including apartments offered for sale, the replat of property located on North Lincoln Ave, an acute surgery center and obtaining an appraisal on two vacant lots.

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer, led the board in discussion about PILOT agreements during Executive Session.

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer, led the board in discussion about the length of stay and its effects on reducing the number of contract staff during Executive Session.

Don Hallmark, Board Member, reported to the board about the TIRZ committee meeting to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session.

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, led the board in discussions about moving the CEO evaluation to the July board meeting during Executive Session.

Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer, and Matt Collins, COO were excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, presented the PBBHC Funding Agreement and the ECHD Foundation Directive to the ECHD Board of Directors in Executive Session.

Executive Session began at 6:37 p.m.
Executive Session ended at 7:50 p.m.

XVIII. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Bryn Dodd presented the following amendments:

- Christopher Petr M.D. – This is an amendment to an OBGYN Contract.
- Daniel Babbel, M.D. – This is an amendment to an Orthopedics Contract.
- Mavis Twum-Barimah, M.D. – This is an amendment to a Family Contract.
- Varuna Nargunan, M.D. – This is an amendment to an Endocrinology Contract.
- Michael Cuizon, N.P. – This is an amendment to a Hospitalist Contract.

Bryn Dodd presented the following renewal agreements:

- Irma Gutierrez, N.P. – This is a three (3) year renewal of a Hospitalist Contract.
- Nawaal Nasser, M.D. – This is a three (3) year renewal of a Pathology Contract.

Wallace Dunn 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 Agreements

Bryn Dodd presented the following new agreements:

- Gregory B. York, M.D. – This is a 3-year trauma agreement.
- Kathy D. Grove, M.D. – This is a 3-year trauma agreement.
- Peter Wiltse, D.O. – This is a 3-year trauma agreement.
- Sarah Shaw, D.O. – This is a 3-year trauma agreement.
- Scott Peterson, M.D. – This is a 3-year trauma agreement.
- Courtney Barner, N.P. – This is 3-year trauma agreement.
- Katherine Powers, N.P. – This is a 3-year trauma agreement.
- Hannah Rosso, P.A. – This is a 3-year trauma agreement.

David Dunn moved, and Wallace Dunn seconded the motion to approve the MCH TraumaCare Provider Agreements as presented. The motion carried.

C. Consider Approval of MCH On-Call Agreement

Bryn Dodd presented the MCH On-Call Agreement for Dr. Buringi - General Surgery.

David Dunn moved, and Wallace Dunn seconded the motion approve the MCH On-Call Agreement as presented. The motion carried.

D. Consider Approval of MCH Lease Agreement

Bryn Dodd presented the MCH Lease Agreement for MCH TraumaCare. This is a 3-year lease.

Don Hallmark moved, and David Dunn seconded the motion to approve the MCH Lease Agreement. The motion carried.

E. Consider Approval of Pilot Agreement(s)

Nothing was presented. No action taken.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Bryn Dodd adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David Dunn, Secretary
Ector County Hospital District