



**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 1, 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  
Richard Herrera  
Kathy Rhodes
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer  
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel  
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer  
Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing Officer  
Adiel Alvarado, President MCH ProCare  
David Chancellor, Vice President of Human Resources  
Dr. Donald Davenport, Chief of Staff  
Dr. Jeff Pinnow, Vice Chief of Staff  
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 5:30 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**

Richard Herrera presented the Mission, Vision and Values of Medical Center Health System.

## **V. AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

### **A. March 2022 Associates of the Month**

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

- Clinical – Natalie Luna
- Non-Clinical – Manuela Marin
- Nurse – Rosemarie Olisea

### **B. Unit HCAHPS High Performers**

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

- Family Health Clinic, OB - 100%
- 7C - 94%

### **C. ECHD Police Department Promotion Ceremony**

Captain Kelly Cecil, ECHD Police Department, conducted the promotion ceremony for Officer Danny Brookshire's promotion ceremony to sergeant. Sgt. Valenzuela's widow, April, participated by pinning Sgt. Brookshire's badge.

## **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**

- Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, February 1, 2022**
- Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, February 22, 2022**
- Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, January 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.

## **IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **A. Executive Policy Committee**

The Executive Policy Committee met on Monday, February 14 at Noon to review and approve eleven (11) MCH policies meeting the committee guidelines. The committee recommends approval on all submitted policies presented.

Kathy Rhodes moved, and Mary Lou Anderson seconded the motion to approve the Executive Policy Committee report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**B. Audit Committee**

1. Presentation of FY21 Audited Financial Statements
2. Report to Management

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

**C. Finance Committee**

1. Quarterly Investment Report – Quarter 1, FY 2022
2. Quarterly Investment Officer's Certification
3. Financial Report for Month Ended January 31, 2022
4. Consent Agenda
  - a. Consider Approval of Citrix Platform Hardware/License Support Renewal
5. Capital Expenditure Requests
  - b. Consider Approval of CER for Samsung RS85 Prestige Ultrasound Unit
  - c. Consider Approval of CER for CT Contrast Injectors
6. Consider Approval of TD Industries Contract
7. Consider Approval of Amendment to Vizient Statement of Work

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

**X. TTUHSC AT THE PERMIAN BASIN REPORT**

There was no report given.

**XI. CMS STAR RATING UPDATE**

Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing Officer, provided an update on the CMS Star Rating. This report was for information only. No action was taken.

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

**A. Board Training – March 30, 2022**

Russell Tippin, President and Chief Executive Officer, reminded the Board Members of the training Craig Carter and Brian Jackson will be conducting on March 30, 2022.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

**B. Permian Basin Behavioral Health Center**

Russell Tippin, President and Chief Executive Officer, reported that the project is continuing to move forward. Diamondback Energy has donated fifty-two (52) acres of land by Wagner Noel

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

### **C. COVID-19 Update**

Russell Tippin, President and Chief Executive Officer, reported that numbers continue to decline. There are thirteen (13) in-house patients today.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

### **D. Ad-hoc Reports**

Arrangements are being made for the CMO candidate, Dr. Cloud, and his wife to come out for a site visit.

Reminder that the Board Retreat is April 28 – 30, 2022 in Alpine, TX.

Update on the Vaccine Mandate – the next deadline is March 15, 2022 and 50/60 people need to have their 2<sup>nd</sup> dose by then. The waiver process was streamlined and well managed.

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; (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, Kathy Rhodes, Richard Herrera and Russell Tippin, President/CEO, Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing Officer, Michaela Johnson, Executive Assistant to CEO, and Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal.

Adiel Alvarado, President of MCH ProCare, presented the provider agreements 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 and Chief Executive Officer, provided the ECHD Board of Directors an update on the tax abatement/pilot agreement with 1PointFive.

Russell Tippin, President and Chief Executive Officer, reported to the ECHD Board of Directors about an open records request.

Russell Tippin, President and CEO, and Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, led the ECHD Board of Directors in discussion about the Trauma Contract with Envision and the creation of a new professional corporation.

Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing Officer, Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel and Russell Tippin, President and CEO reported to the ECHD Board of Directors about a combative patient incident that was self-reported to the State.

Russell Tippin, President and CEO, and Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, led the ECHD Board of Directors in discussion about selling an ECHD property and the bid process.

Russell Tippin, President and CEO, and Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, led the ECHD Board of Directors in discussion about the critical care unit expansion and the funding surrounding the project.

**Executive Session began at 6:10 p.m.**  
**Executive Session ended at 7:45 p.m.**

#### **XIV. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

Bryn Dodd presented the following new agreements:

- Lakshmi Alahari, M.D. – This is a 3-year agreement for Hospitalist
- Pablo Feuillet, M.D. – This is a 3-year agreement for Infectious Disease.

Bryn Dodd presented the following renewal:

- Annalee Mora, N.P. – 2-year renewal for Retail Contract

Bryn Dodd presented the following amendments:

- Ralph Cepero, M.D. – This is an amendment to an ENT Contract.
- Christina Richardson, N.P. – This is an amendment to an Urgent Care Contract.

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

##### **B. Consider Approval of PILOT/Tax Abatement Agreement with 1PointFive**

Bryn Dodd presented the terms for a PILOT/Tax Abatement Agreement with 1PointFive that would be a 10-year period worth at least \$4 Million to ECHD.

Richard Herrera moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the PILOT/Tax Abatement as presented. The motion carried.

##### **C. Consider Selling ECHD Property**

Bryn Dodd recommended to start the process of accepting bids to purchase the ECHD property located on Lincoln Ave, Odessa, Texas.

Richard Herrera moved, and Wallace Dunn seconded the motion to start the process to accept bids to purchase the ECHD property as presented. The motion carried.

**D. Consider Formation of Professional Corporation.**

Bryn Dodd recommended forming a new professional corporation, to be named MCH TraumaCare.

Don Hallmark moved, and Richard Herrera seconded the motion to approve the formation of a new professional corporation, MCH TraumaCare as presented. The motion carried.

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Bryn Dodd adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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David Dunn, Secretary  
Ector County Hospital District