

**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 6, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Wallace Dunn, President
Don Hallmark, Vice President
Bryn Dodd
Will Kappauf
Richard Herrera
David Dunn
Kathy Rhodes

OTHERS PRESENT:

Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer
Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel
Kim Leftwich, Chief Nursing Officer
Dr. Meredith Hulsey, Chief Medical Officer
Dr. Jeff Pinnow, Chief of Staff
Dr. Nimat Alam, Vice Chief of Staff
Grant Trollope, Assistant Chief Financial Officer
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

Wallace Dunn, 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. ROLL CALL AND ECHD BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE/ABSENCES

Wallace Dunn called roll, all members were present.

III. INVOCATION

Chaplain Doug Herget offered the invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Wallace Dunn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

V. MISSION/VISION OF MEDICAL CENTER HEALTH SYSTEM

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

VI. AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

A. February 2024 Associates of the Month

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer, introduced the February 2024 Associates of the Month as follows:

- Clinical – Rosio C. Bickerstaff
- Non-Clinical – Abigail Garcia
- Nurse – Rhodora C. Velasco

B. Net Promoter Score Recognition

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer, introduced the Net Promoter Score High Performer(s).

- 5 West Pediatrics
- Dr. Santiago Giraldo
- Dr. Ralph Cepero

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, January 4, 2024**
- B. Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, January 30, 2024**
- C. Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, December 2023**
- D. Consider Approval of 2024 Charter for Compliance Committee**
- E. Consider Approval of the Compliance Program Resolution**

Don Hallmark moved, and David 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. Quarterly Investment Report – Quarter 1, FY 2024
2. Quarterly Investment Officer's Certification
3. Financial Report for Month Ended December 31, 2023
4. Consent Agenda

- a. Consider Approval of Addendum to SOPHIE Contract.
 - b. Consider Approval of Vizient Amendment/Renewal to Statement of Work (CBD).
 - c. Consider Approval of Siemens Industry, Inc. Contract Extension.
5. Consider Approval of the Purchase of the Phillips Fetal Monitoring System.

Don Hallmark 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 provided.

XII. 2024 QAPI PLAN AND PATIENT SAFETY SURVEY RESULTS

Courtney Look-Davis, Chief Experience & Quality Officer, presented the FY 2024 Hospital Wide QAPI Plan for the Board to review and approve.

Will Kappauf moved, and Richard Herrera seconded the motion to approve the FY 2024 Hospital Wide QAPI Plan as presented. The motion carried.

Courtney Look-Davis, Chief Experience & Quality Officer, presented the Hospital Safety Plans for the Board to review and approve.

Richard Herrera moved, and Will Kappauf seconded the motion to approve the Hospital Safety Plans as presented. The motion carried.

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

A. Dr. Hulsey - Update

Dr. Hulsey, Chief Medical Officer, reported that Doctor's Day will be on March 28, 2024. Lunch will be in the Boardroom from 11:00am to 1:00pm.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

B. Ad hoc Reports

Courtney Look-Davis, Chief Experience & Quality Officer, reported to the Board that there was a State Surveyor at the hospital this week. There were no out of compliance issues.

Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer, reminded everyone that THA is next week in Dallas.

Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer, reported that the ribbon cutting for the Free Diabetes Clinic was held on February 1, 2024. Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer and Garret Davis, Strategic Planning & Projects have done a great job getting the clinic ready for the opening day on February 21, 2024.

These reports were informational only. No action was taken.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Adiel Alvarado, President of ProCare, presented the ProCare provider agreements to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session. He was excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, presented the MCH Lease Agreements to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session.

Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer, and Wallace Dunn, ECHD Board President, led the board in discussion about vascular surgery.

Russell Tippin, Chief Executive Officer, led the board in discussions about his meeting with the leadership of Shannon Hospital.

Wallace Dunn, ECHD Board President, led the board in discussion about a quarterly Doctor's meeting with area physicians and board members rotating each quarter.

Executive Session began at 5:59 p.m.

Executive Session ended at 7:04 p.m.

No action was taken during Executive Session

XV. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Wallace Dunn presented the following new agreements:

- Maleeha Basham, M.D. – This a three (3) year Hospitalist Contract.
- Gilfrhen Lopez Rodriguez, M.D.. – This is a three (3) year Hospitalist Contract.
- Tejaswi Bhari Thippeswamy, M.D. – This is a three (3) year Hospitalist Contract.
- Saif M. Shahid, M.D.. – This is a three (3) year Hospitalist Contract.
- Michael Parker, CRNA – This is an hourly Anesthesia Contract.

Wallace Dunn presented the following renewals:

- Sanchita Yadalla, M.D. – This is a three (3) year renewal of an OB/GYN Contract.

- Courtney Myers, PA – This is a three (3) year renewal of a Cardiology Contract.

Wallace Dunn presented the following amendments:

- Rebecca Mantsch, M.D. – This is an amendment to a Pathology Contract.
- Claudia Molina, M.D. – This is an amendment to a Pathology Contract.

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

B. Consider Approval of MCH Lease Agreements

Wallace Dunn presented the following lease agreements:

- Dr. Pankaj Patel – This is 1 year lease agreement.
- MCH ProCare OHI – This is a 3 year lease agreement .

David Dunn moved, and Will Kappauf seconded the motion to approve the MCH Lease Agreements as presented. The motion carried.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Wallace Dunn adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David Dunn, Secretary
Ector County Hospital District Board of Directors