

**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 3, 2018 – 5:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mary Thompson, President  
David Dunn, Vice President  
Mary Lou Anderson  
Bryn Dodd  
Don Hallmark  
Richard Herrera  
Ben Quiroz

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Rick Napper, President/Chief Executive Officer  
Robert Abernethy, Chief Financial Officer  
Chad Dunavan, Chief Nursing Officer  
Heather Bulman, Chief Experience Officer  
Dr. Fernando Boccalandro, Chief of Staff  
Dr. Donald Davenport, Vice Chief of Staff  
Ron Griffin, Chief Legal Counsel  
Jan Ramos, ECHD Board Secretary  
Dr. Gary Ventolini, TTUHSC Permian Basin  
Various other interested members of the  
Medical Staff, Employees, and Citizens

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mary Thompson, President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room of 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**

Mary Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

**IV. MISSION/VISION OF MEDICAL CENTER HEALTH SYSTEM**

Don Hallmark presented the Mission, Vision and Values of Medical Center Health System.

## **V. MARCH 2018 EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH**

Rick Napper introduced the March 2018 Employees of the Month as follows:

- Clinical: Becky Wiscombe, Mammography Tech Supervisor  
Radiology Breast Care Center
- Non-Clinical: Laura Gomez, Patient Accounts Manager, Patient Accounts
- Nurse: Steve McCracken, RN Charge,  
7 Central (Dedicated Educational Unit)

## **VI. REVIEW OF MINUTES**

### **Regular Meeting – March 6, 2018**

Mary Lou Anderson moved and David Dunn seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the Regular ECHD Board meeting held March 6, 2018 as presented. The motion carried.

### **Special Meeting – March 16, 2018**

David Dunn moved and Mary Lou Anderson seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the Special ECHD Board meeting held March 16, 2018 as presented. The motion carried.

## **VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **A. Finance Committee**

#### **1. Financial Report for Five Months Ended February 28, 2018**

David Dunn moved and Bryn Dodd seconded the motion to approve the Financials for five months ended February 28, 2018. The motion carried.

#### **2. Capital Expenditure Request: Cardiac Ultrasounds**

Rene Rodriguez, Divisional Director of The Center for Heart Disease, presented the Capital Expenditure Request for two Echocardiogram Ultrasound Systems. One will be a replacement for a 10-year old system that is at end of life. The other will be an addition to in-patient and out-patient clinics, as well as satellite clinics within the 17 surrounding counties served.

David Dunn moved and Bryn Dodd seconded the motion to approve the Capital Expenditure Request: Cardiac Ultrasounds, as presented. The motion carried.

### **B. Joint Conference Committee**

Dr. Fernando Boccalandro, Chief of Staff, presented the recommendation of the Joint Conference Committee to accept the following Medical Staff Recommendations:

**1. Medical Staff or AHP Initial Appointment/Reappointment**

**Medical Staff**

Applicant	Department	Specialty/ Privileges	Group	Dates
*Kandikatla, Ramcharitha MD	Medicine	Internal Medicine	MCH Procure	04/03/2018 – 04/02/2019
*Mishra, Pragnyadipta MD	Anesthesia	Anesthesiology	MCH Procure	04/03/2018 – 04/02/2019

**Allied Health Professional (AHP) Staff Applicants**

Applicant	Department	Specialty/ Privileges	Group	Sponsoring Physician(s)	Dates
Chavez, Cynthia NNP	Pediatrics	Nurse Practitioner	TTUHSC	Dr. Robert Bennett	04/03/2018 – 04/02/2020

*\*Please grant temporary privileges*

**Reappointment of the Medical Staff and Allied Health Professional Staff**

**Medical Staff/Or Allied Health Professional Staff**

Applicant	Department	Staff Category	Specialty/ Privileges	Dates
Benton, Timothy MD	Family Medicine	Active	Family Medicine	07/01/2018 – 06/30/2020
Cunningham, Pamela MD	Anesthesiology	Courtesy to Affiliate	Pain Management	05/01/2018 – 04/30/2020
D'Agostino, Carl MD	Anesthesiology	Courtesy to Associate	Pain Management	05/01/2018 – 04/30/2019
Dyrstad, Bradley MD	Surgery	Associate	Orthopaedic Surgery	05/01/2018 – 04/30/2019
Farber, Gerald MD	Surgery	Active	Orthopaedic Surgery	05/01/2018 – 04/30/2020
Ortega, Scotty MD	Family Medicine	Affiliate	Family Medicine	05/01/2018 – 04/30/2020

Blank **Staff Category** column signifies no change

**Allied Health Professionals**

None were presented.

**2. Change in Clinical Privileges/or Scope of Practice/or Supervisor**

**Clinical/ Additional Privileges**

Staff Member	Department	Privilege
*Hester, Michael NP	Surgery	ADD: Prescribe Medications (must provide a supervisor signed "Notice of Prescriptive Authority which requires current DPS/DEA/TMB registration); ACLS (advanced cardiac life support) Required for all PA's / APN's in Emergency Medicine Department and CRNA's PALS/NPR certification as appropriate

**3. Change in Medical Staff or AHP Staff Status**

**Resignation / Expiration of Privileges**

Staff Member	Staff Category	Department	Effective Date	Action
Cole, Maria FNP	Allied Health Professional	OB/GYN	03/05/2018	Resigned

**4. Change in Medical Staff or AHP Staff Category**

**Staff Category Changes**

Staff Member	Department	Category
Cunningham, Pamela MD	Anesthesia	Courtesy to Affiliate
D'Agostino, Carl MD	Anesthesia	Courtesy to Associate
Gilmore, Julia PA	Medicine	Removal of Provisional Status
Saldahana, Vilas MD	Surgery	Removal of Provisional Status
Gerhardt, Erich DO	Surgery	1 year of Extension of Provisional Status
Gifford, Beverly FNP	Family Medicine	Removal of Provisional Status
Prudencio, Steven FNP	Family Medicine	6 months of Extension of Provisional Status

**Change in Credentialing Date**

None were presented.

**5. Medical Staff Bylaws/Policy/Privilege Criteria**

None were presented.

Don Hallmark moved and Mary Lou Anderson seconded the motion to approve the Medical Staff recommendation (Items VII. B. 1-4) as presented. (There were no items to present under section VIII. B. 5). The motion carried.

**6. Criteria for Privileges and Delineation of Clinical Privileges and Procedures**

- a. Bariatric Surgery Criteria
- b. Advance Registered Nurse Privilege Form and Criteria
- c. Pediatric Privilege Form
- d. Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Privilege form

Don Hallmark moved and David Dun seconded the motion to approve the Medical Staff recommendation (Item VII. B. 6) as presented. The motion carried.

**7. Continuing Medical Education (CME) Annual Mission Statement**

David Dunn moved and Bryn Dodd seconded the motion to approve the Medical Staff recommendation (Item VII. B. 7) as presented. The motion carried.

**8. Institutional Review Board (IRB) 2017 Annual Report**

David Dunn moved and Mary Lou Anderson seconded the motion to approve the Medical Staff recommendation (Item VII. B. 8) as presented. The motion carried.

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

Dr. Gary Ventolini provided the TTUHSC at the Permian Basin Report for informational purposes only. No action was taken.

**IX. PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Robert Abernethy, Chief Financial Officer, provided an update on the changes to the ECHD Fitch ratings, including a recent history of the changes and the 2018 bond rating process.

This report was for informational purposes only. No action was taken.

**X. APPROVAL ITEMS**

Heather Bulman, Chief Patient Experience Officer, presented an agreement between The Studer Group, LLC and Ector County Hospital District pertaining to evidence based leadership.

David Dunn moved and Richard Herrera seconded the motion to approve the agreement between The Studer Group, LLC and Ector County Hospital District. The motion carried.

**XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mary Thompson stated that the Board would go into Executive Session for the meeting held in closed session as to (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; (3) Deliberation regarding exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; (4) and Deliberation and 90 Day Evaluation of President/Chief Executive Officer of Ector County Hospital District, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

The individuals present during Executive Session were Mary Thompson, David Dunn, Mary Lou Anderson, Bryn Dodd, Don Hallmark, Richard Herrera, Ben Quiroz, Rick Napper, Ron Griffin, Robert Abernethy, Julian Beseril, and Jan Ramos.

**Executive Session began at 6:32 pm.**

**Executive Session ended at 8:32 p.m.**

No action was taken during Executive Session.

**XII. MCH PROCARE PROVIDER AGREEMENT ..... Ron Griffin**

Ron Griffin, Chief Legal Counsel, presented one MCH ProCare provider agreement as follows:

Meredith Halsey, M.D., Pathologist. This is a three year, full-time employment agreement and Medical Directorship for the Pathology Department, to fill a vacancy due to a provider resignation. Employment effective no later than August 31, 2018.

Richard Herrera moved and Ben Quiroz seconded the motion to approve the MCH ProCare provider agreement with Meredith Halsey, M.D., as presented. The motion carried.

**XIII. SANTA ROSA CONSULTING AGREEMENT ..... Ron Griffin**

Ron Griffin, Chief Legal Counsel, presented the Santa Rosa Consulting Agreement to provide Interim Chief Information Officer leadership.

Bryn Dodd moved and Mary Lou Anderson seconded the motion to approve the Santa Rosa Consulting Agreement, as presented. The motion carried.

**XIV. CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE LEGAL DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP IN THE TEXAS CARE ALLIANCE, LLC AND THE REFORMATION OF SAME.....Rick Napper/Ron Griffin**

Ron Griffin, Chief Legal Counsel, presented the request for approval and authorization of the President/Chief Executive Officer to execute legal documents pertaining to Ector County Hospital District membership in the Texas Care Alliance, LLC and the reformation of same.

David Dunn moved and Mary Lou Anderson seconded the motion to approve the request for approval and authorization of the President/Chief Executive Officer to execute legal documents pertaining to Ector County Hospital District membership in the Texas Care Alliance, LLC and the reformation of same. The motion carried.

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mary Thompson adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Jan Ramos, Secretary  
Ector County Hospital District Board of Directors