



**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
APRIL 7, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Don Hallmark, President
Bryn Dodd, Vice President

**MEMBERS VIRTUALLY
PRESENT:**

Mary Lou Anderson
David Dunn
Wallace Dunn
Richard Herrera
Ben Quiroz

OTHERS PRESENT:

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer
Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel
Jan Ramos, ECHD Board Secretary

**OTHERS VIRTUALLY
PRESENT:**

Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing Officer
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer
Toni Land, Chief Patient Experience Officer
Dr. Donald Davenport, Chief of Staff
Dr. Timothy Benton, Vice Chief of Staff
Dr. Gary Ventolini, TTUHSC Permian Basin
Various other interested members of the
Medical Staff, employees, and citizens

I. ROLL CALL

Don Hallmark called the roll to establish a quorum.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Don Hallmark, 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.

III. INVOCATION

Russell Tippin offered the invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Due to the virtual meeting, Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags were not recited.

V. MISSION/VISION OF MEDICAL CENTER HEALTH SYSTEM

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

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

- A. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, March 3, 2020**
- B. Consider Approval of Emergency Meeting Minutes, March 20, 2020**
- C. Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, March 24, 2020**
- D. Consider Approval of Emergency Meeting Minutes, March 27, 2020**
- E. Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, February 2020**
- F. Consider Approval of Annual Scope of Service and Organizational Wide Performance Improvement Plan**
- G. Consider Approval of Annual Evaluation of the Infection Control Program**
- H. Consider Approval of MCH COVID-19 Base Inpatient Operational Plan Disease Management**

Bryn Dodd moved and David Dunn seconded the motion to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda as presented. The roll call vote was as follows:

Don Hallmark	Aye
Bryn Dodd	Aye
Mary Lou Anderson	Aye
Richard Herrera	Aye
David Dunn	Aye
Wallace Dunn	Aye
Ben Quiroz	Aye

The motion carried unanimously.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

1. Financial Report for Month Ended February 29, 2020
2. Capital Expenditure Requests
 - a. Consider Approval of Stryker Neptune 3 Waste Management System
 - b. Consider Approval of OR Mobile Vascular Lab

Bryn Dodd moved and David Dunn seconded the motion to approve the Finance Committee report as presented. The roll call vote was as follows:

Don Hallmark	Aye
Bryn Dodd	Aye
Mary Lou Anderson	Aye
Richard Herrera	Aye
David Dunn	Aye
Wallace Dunn	Aye
Ben Quiroz	Aye

The motion carried unanimously.

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

A. Consider Approval of Oberon Solar 1B Termination of Reinvestment Zone Tax Abatement Agreement

Steve Steen presented an agreement to terminate the Reinvestment Zone Tax Abatement Agreement with Oberon Solar IB, LLC that was entered into on April 2, 2019. This second phase of the project will not be completed, negating the need for this agreement.

David Dunn moved and Mary Lou Anderson seconded the motion to approve the termination of the Reinvestment Zone Tax Abatement Agreement as presented. The roll call vote was as follows:

Don Hallmark	Aye
Bryn Dodd	Aye
Mary Lou Anderson	Aye
Richard Herrera	Aye
David Dunn	Aye
Wallace Dunn	Aye
Ben Quiroz	Aye

The motion carried unanimously.

B. COVID-19 Update

Russell Tippin provided a report on Medical Center Hospital and the response to the COVID-19 virus. He thanked all staff and providers and discussed how the pandemic has changed healthcare and the financial strain it has put on the hospital, necessitating a reduction in procedures and hours worked in many areas.

There are currently 30 citizens of Ector County who have tested positive for the virus, and Medical Center Hospital has taken the lead with daily press conferences and communication to the public. There have been 88 tests processed that were negative, and 44 tests pending. In house today there are 4 patients who tested positive and they are in CCU and 7 Central (isolation unit) and 11 persons under investigation, waiting on test results. The Emergency Department usually sees 120-130 patients a day and that has decreased to 70-80.

This report was for information only. No action was taken.

C. Ad Hoc Reports

No ad hoc reports were provided.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Don Hallmark stated that the Board would go into Executive Session for the meeting held in closed session involving the following: (1) Consultation with attorney regarding legal matters and legal issues pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code; (2) Deliberations regarding Personnel Matters pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code; and (3) 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 Don Hallmark, Bryn Dodd; Russell Tippin, Steve Steen, Adiel Alvarado, and Jan Ramos.

Virtual attendees: ECHD Board members Mary Lou Anderson, David Dunn, Wallace Dunn, Richard Herrera, and Ben Quiroz.

Adiel Alvarado, President MCH ProCare, reported to the Board of Directors regarding Pro Care and hospital provider agreements during Executive Session.

Russell Tippin provided the Board of Directors with an update on staffing.

Executive Session began at 5:54 pm.

Executive Session ended at 7:03 p.m.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

XII. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Consider Approval of MCH ProCare Provider Agreements

Don Hallmark presented the following renewal:

- Jannie Tang, M.D. This is a three year renewal for Anesthesia.

Don Hallmark presented the following new contracts:

- Yvonene Gochango, CRNA. This is a three year agreement for Anesthesia.
- Ellen Novicio, NP. This is a three year agreement for Cardiology.
- Luis Gomez, M.D. This is a three year agreement for Vascular.

Bryn Dodd moved and David Dunn seconded the motion to approve the ProCare provider agreements as presented. The roll call vote was as follows:

Don Hallmark	Aye
Bryn Dodd	Aye
Mary Lou Anderson	Aye
Richard Herrera	Aye
David Dunn	Aye
Wallace Dunn	Aye
Ben Quiroz	Aye

The motion carried unanimously.

Don Hallmark presented the following new Trauma On-Call agreements:

- Thomas Cook, M.D. This is a one year agreement for Maxillofacial.
- Rajesh Gutta, DDS. This is a one year agreement for Maxillofacial.

Bryn Dodd moved and David Dunn seconded the motion to approve the Trauma On-Call provider agreements as presented. The roll call vote was as follows:

Don Hallmark	Aye
Bryn Dodd	Aye
Mary Lou Anderson	Aye
Richard Herrera	Aye
David Dunn	Aye
Wallace Dunn	Aye
Ben Quiroz	Aye

The motion carried unanimously.

Don Hallmark presented the following new agreement:

- Daniel Babbel, M.D. This is a three year agreement for Orthopedics.

Bryn Dodd moved and David Dunn seconded the motion to approve the Trauma On-Call provider agreements as presented. The roll call vote was as follows:

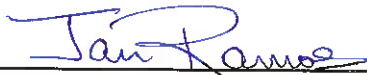
Don Hallmark	Aye
Bryn Dodd	Aye
Mary Lou Anderson	Aye
Richard Herrera	Aye
David Dunn	Aye
Wallace Dunn	Aye
Ben Quiroz	Aye

The motion carried unanimously.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Don Hallmark adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jan Ramos, Secretary
Ector County Hospital District Board of Directors