

**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 11, 2025 – 5:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer  
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer  
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel  
Kim Leftwich, Chief Nursing Officer  
Dr. Jeffrey 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 5:31 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, and 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 2025 Associates of the Month**

Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, introduced the February 2025 Associates of the Month as follows:

- Clinical – Pamela R. Randall
- Non-Clinical – Jazmin S. Rosas
- Nurse – Pete Carrasco Flores Jr.

### **B. Net Promoter Score Recognition**

Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, introduced the Net Promoter Score High Performer(s).

- Angela Green, NP
- Stephanie Kubacak, M.D.

## **VII. CHECK PRESENTATION FROM HUMAN BEAN**

Alison Pradon, Vice President of Development, thanked the Human Bean of West Texas for raising \$10,300 through their annual Coffee for A Cure campaign. A check was presented to the Medical Center Health System Foundation.

## **VIII. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE BY ANY BOARD MEMBER**

No conflicts were disclosed.

## **IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

No comments from the public were received.

## **X. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, January 14, 2025**
- B. Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, January 28, 2025**
- C. Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, December 2024**

David Dunn moved, and Richard Herrera seconded the motion to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## **XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **A. Finance Committee**

1. Quarterly Investment Report – Quarter 1, FY 2025
2. Quarterly Investment Officer's Certification
3. Financial Report for Month Ended December 31, 2024
4. Consent Agenda
  - a. Consider Approval of TD Industries Contract Renewal.
  - b. Consider Approval of the Service Agreement for Velys Robot for Total Knee.

- c. Consider Approval of Additional Funds for IsoRx.
- d. Consider Approval of Purchase of Skytron Surgical Tables & Accessories – MCH Foundation Funding Approved.
5. Consider Approval of Strata Software Use Agreement.
6. Consider Approval of Baxter Healthcare Agreement.
7. Consider Approval of Junum Agreement.
8. Consider Approval of Siemens Negative Pressure Monitors Purchase.

Don Hallmark moved, and Will Kappauf seconded the motion to approve the Finance Committee report as presented. The motion carried.

#### **B. Executive Policy Committee**

The Executive Policy Committee met on January 30, 2025 to review and approve ten (10) MCH policies meeting the committee guidelines. The committee recommends approval of the submitted policies as presented.

Bryn Dodd moved, and Kathy Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the Executive Policy Committee report as presented. The motion carried.

### **XII. TTUHSC AT THE PERMIAN BASIN REPORT**

Dr. Timothy Benton provided the TTUHSC at the Permian Basin report. This report was informational only and no action was taken.

### **XIII. 2025 EOC MANAGEMENT PLANS**

Amanda Everett, Director of Emergency Management and Safety, presented the 2025 management plans to the Board for approval.

Kathy Rhodes moved, and Richard Herrera seconded the motion to approve the 2025 EOC management plans as presented. The motion carried.

### **XIV. CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES**

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, presented the Contract for Election Services to the Board for approval.

Don Hallmark moved, and Bryn Dodd seconded the motion to approve the Contract for Election Services as presented. The motion carried.

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

#### **A. Project Oasis**

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, reported to the Board about a new PILOT project, Project Oasis. They are offering \$195,000 over a 10-year period.

This report was informational only. No action was taken.

## **B. Ad hoc Reports**

No other reports were provided.

## **XVI. 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; (2) Deliberation regarding negotiations for health care services, pursuant to Section 551.085 of the Texas Government Code; (3) Deliberation regarding Real Property pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; and (4) to receive the Compliance Report from the Chief Compliance Officer pursuant to Section 161.032 of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

ATTENDEES for the entire Executive Session: ECHD Board members, Bryn Dodd, Will Kappauf, Richard Herrera, David Dunn, Don Hallmark, Wallace Dunn, Kathy Rhodes and Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel.

Kelly Cecil, Chief of Police, presented the annual crime statistics to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session, and then was excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Gingie Sredanovich, Chief Compliance and Privacy Officer, presented the compliance update to the ECHD Board of Directors during Executive Session, and then was excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

Kathy Rhodes and Wallace Dunn led the board in discussion about the diabetic clinic.

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, reported to the ECHD Board about the 42<sup>nd</sup> Street Clinic sale.

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

Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel, led the board in discussion about naming opportunities at UTPB.

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Steve Ewing, Chief Financial Officer, Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer, and Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal, were excused from the remainder of Executive Session.

The ECHD Board members engaged in discussions about legal matters with Chief Legal Counsel.

**Executive Session began at 5:51 p.m.**

**Executive Session ended at 7:25 p.m.**

No action was taken during Executive Session.

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

### **A. Consider Approval of MCH ProCare Provider Agreements.**

Wallace Dunn presented the following new contracts:

- Raymond Martinez, M.D. – This is a new one (1) year OB/GYN Contract.
- Amber Vetter, NP – This is a new three (3) year Cardiology Contract.
- Jessica Mendoza, NP – This is a new three (3) year Critical Care Contract.
- Bien Baquirin, NP – This is a new one (1) year Urgent Care Contract.

Wallace Dunn presented the following renewal:

- Adrian Ramirez, NP – This is three (3) year renewal of a Hospitalist Contract.

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

## **XVIII.ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Wallace Dunn adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David Dunn, Secretary  
Ector County Hospital District Board of Directors