



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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Don Hallmark, President

MEMBERS VIRTUALLY PRESENT: Bryn Dodd, Vice President
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
Christin Timmons, Chief Nursing Officer
Jan Ramos, ECHD Board Secretary

OTHERS VIRTUALLY PRESENT: 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 5:32 p.m. in the Ector County Hospital District Administration Conference Room A 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. MISSION/VISION OF MEDICAL CENTER HEALTH SYSTEM

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

V. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE BY ANY BOARD MEMBER

No conflicts were disclosed.

VI. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Representative Brooks Landgraf provided a brief legislative update to the Board.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Carol Uranga, 10742 E. Emerson, Gardendale, Texas provided comments related to agenda item X. B. Consider Approval of Transfer Service Agreement at a later point in the meeting.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, April 7, 2020**
- B. Consider Approval of Emergency Meeting Minutes, April 21, 2020**
- C. Consider Approval of Joint Conference Committee, April 28, 2020**
- D. Consider Approval of Federally Qualified Health Center Monthly Report, March 2020**
- E. Consider Approval of Annual Organization Wide Risk Management Plan**

David Dunn moved and Wallace 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. Quarterly Investment Report – Quarter 2, FY 2020
2. Quarterly Investment Officer's Certification
3. Financial Report for Month Ended March 31, 2020

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. MCH Telecare Presentation

Mason Raven and Mallori Hutson presented a presentation of the MCH Telecare platform that will be going live on May 15, 2020 for all benefited MCH employees.

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

B. Consider Approval of Transfer Service Agreement

Wallace Dunn moved and Richard Herrera seconded the motion to approve the transfer services agreement with AMR 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.

C. COVID-19 Update

Russell Tippin provided a report on Medical Center Hospital and the response to the COVID-19 virus.

There are currently 4 positive patients in house, we have admitted a total of 15 positive patients. There are currently 14 pending tests. We are using the 45 minute rapid tests to test patients We are moving into a stage of anticipating a second wave of COVID positive cases. The difficult decision have been made and we have seen a 20 -25% reduction in payroll costs.

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

D. 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; Russell Tippin, Steve Steen, Christin Timmons, Adiel Alvarado, and Jan Ramos.

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

Russell Tippin, President and Chief Executive Officer and Adiel Alvarado, President MCH ProCare, reported to the Board of Directors.

Executive Session began at 6:36 pm.

Executive Session ended at 7:15 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 new contract:

- Atul Poudel, M.D. This is a three year agreement for FHC Pediatrics.

David Dunn moved and Ben Quiroz seconded the motion to approve the ProCare provider 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. Consider Approval of Letter of Agreement Amendment with NRC Health

David Dunn moved and Bryn Dodd seconded the motion to approve the Letter of Agreement Amendment with NRC Health 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 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel