

Special Board Meeting / Board Workshop Minutes - October 14, 2024

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER: Chairman Valdez opened the meeting at 1:30PM.

ESTABLISHING QUORUM: Quorum Established by Calling Row. Quorum was met.

PRESENT: Aaron Valdez, Chairman; Rebecca Robinson, Vice Chair; Adolfo Olivares,

Secretary Treasurer; Humberto Duran, Trustee; Gerardo Villalpando, Trustee

ABSENT: N/A

OTHER: Nestor Bonilla, Interim CEO; Ana Zavala, Interim CFO; Ruben Valadez, Legal

Counsel; Carolina Sanchez, E.A.A

**VISITORS:** N/A

## **AGENDA ITEMS:**

ITEM 1: Discussion and possible action on the Indigent Care Agreement with Fort Duncan Regional Medical Center.

Interim CEO explained that MCHD had a total of 6 months to re-negotiate with FDRMC. Interim CEO presented graph of the current arrangement with FDRMC, IGT payment vs MFAP paid amount from 2014 – 2023. Interim CEO explained that what is paid is less than the cost of the actual services rendered to patients. Example for year 2023 IGT paid was \$2,206,718 vs the actual MFAP amount of \$3, 3372,635. Total IGT for the last 10 year was \$11.6MM vs the \$30MM MFAP cost for services.

Interim CEO presented the current Indigent Care Agreement with FDRMC along with the 2 amendments made throughout the years.

Mr. Duran questioned on what would happen if the agreement expired between MCHD and FDRMC. Interim CEO explained that FDRMC would charge a fee for service for indigent patients.

Interim CEO's recommendation would be to extend the agreement with the current terms and to allow MCHD to continue participating in Medicaid 1115 waiver.

Interim CEO informed the board that the FPL had been increase to 250%, to ensure a wider range of indigents would be eligible for the MFAP Program.

Board suggested to renew / negotiate agreement for 3-5 years.

Legal counsel recommendation was to include opt out previsions / termination for convenience clause.

Motion to authorize Interim CEO to enter into negotiations for an extension and/or a new indigent care agreement with Fort Duncan Regional Medical Center by Ms. Robinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Olivares.

AYES: 5



NAYS: 0

**ABSTAIN: 0** 

**ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS** 

Motion to move to executive session Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 – Consultation with legal counsel and discussion on health care services including but not limited to the Physician Assistant Contract with Manuel Hernandez; Possible action in open session regarding same at 2:01PM.

Opens session at 2:23PM

Motion to authorize Interim CEO to enter into negotiations for the provider contract as discussed in Executive Session by Ms. Robinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Olivares.

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

**ABSTAIN: 0** 

**ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS** 

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Robinson, 2nd by Mr. Villalpando

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

**ABSTAIN: 0** 

**ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS** 

Meeting adjourned at 2:24PM.

Chairman - Aaron Valdez

Vice Chairperson Rebecca Robinson