



MCHD
Maverick County Hospital District



Regular Board Meeting Minutes – April 29th, 2024

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER: Vice President Robinson opened meeting at 12:01PM.

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

PRESENT: Aaron Valdez, Chairman; Rebecca Robinson, Vice President; Adolfo Olivares, Secretary Treasurer; Humberto Duran, Board Member;

Gerardo Villalpando, Board Member joined the meeting via phone call at 12:01PM.

ABSENT: N/A

OTHER: Alma Martinez, CEO joined via phone call; Nestor Bonilla, CFO; Lizet Salinas, COM; Elias Diaz, CO; Carolina Sanchez, E.A.A; Ruben Valadez, Legal Counsel at 12:03PM.

VISITORS: N/A

AGENDA ITEMS:

ITEM 1: Discussion and possible action to approve MCHD Board minutes for March 25, 2024 regular Board meeting minutes.

Motion to approve by Ms. Robison, 2nd by Mr. Olivares.

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS

ITEM 2: Presentation of Reports

COM Report – COM was able to submit clinic operations report, but was unable to join the regular board meeting, as she was providing coverage for the oncology department. Mr. Duran complimented the structure and information provided by COM, regarding the clinic and urgent care. Ms. Robinson congratulated the MCHD on the turnout of the Dia Del Nino event. No further questions regarding the clinical operations report.

CO Report – CO highlighted the continued ongoing compliance training for all staff. Compliance committee meetings continued to be held once a month, to address any compliance concerns that must be addressed. Topic for the month of April included staff and patient safety.



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Mr. Olivares requested an update on Manos Unidas. CO introduced the new member to the coalitions as community member referred to by the Mexican Consulate. New member was able to provide the lived experience required for the coalitions.

Mr. Olivares expressed concerns with the local women's shelter, raising funds but having the funds be donated to the Carrizo Springs shelter. Ms. Robinson explained that the coalition was working towards building up the local women's shelter. As well as providing more education to the local police and sheriff departments. Mr. Olivares suggested reaching out to the City of Eagle Pass, during the "Black Tuesday" outstanding tax on property event, to possible purchase a location for the shelter.

Public Health – CO updated MCHD had received access to the building, provided by the Maverick County for the public health department. Office was currently not in use as the Public Health Department building but was being used in ways to advance public health initiatives.

CEO Report- Mr. Olivares requested clarification on the possibility of a lease agreement of an apartment for out-of-town providers. CEO explained that it would possibly cost less to rent an apartment for all visiting providers to share, at during different days, than to constantly reserve hotel rooms. CEO was exploring the possibility of apartment rental.

Addition of 2 new provider, Dr. Velez Garza, Endocrinologist, and Dr. Chhikara, Urologist. Only pending the credentialing for both providers. CFO explained that the credentialing process was provided by a third party, with an estimated 30 – 45 days depending on insurance type.

CFO Report Review- CFO opened the financial review for any questions from the board members. CFO reported a favorable year to date of \$2.5MM with continued monitoring. CFO reported a healthy balance sheet with a \$17MM in cash net investments. Total fund balance of \$30MM.

Mr. Duran had concerns with the state of Texas, recently, closing 10 nursing homes. CFO explained that the EDURO team was staying up to date with any possible changes with nursing homes participation in QIPP. Onsite visits to be scheduled to ensure that each nursing home was appropriately ran.

Item 3: Discussion with possible action regarding FQHC Look-alike status approval and Project Manager Position.

CEO would like the board members input on whether to move forward with the FQHC Look-alike status. Moving forward would require the hiring of a project manager to develop process and procedures. Ms. Robinson requested CEO recommendation whether to move forward or not. CEO recommended MCHD pursue the FQHC Look-alike status. CEO explained that the process



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to become FQHC Look-alike was long process, but that the benefits of a higher reimbursement and the loan forgiveness for new providers. 2 board members were allowed to be part of the FQHC Look-alike board.

Ms. Robinson suggested pursuing the FQHC Look-alike status, without hiring a Project Manager, MCHD should contract position with previous experience.

Mr. Duran requested administration reach out at a national level to discuss an accurate probability of MCHD being approved for the FQHC Look-alike status. CEO would reach out to NACHC for more information as well as a written report regarding MCHD's possibility of receiving the FQHC Look-alike designation.

Mr. Olivares explained that he had hesitations with the hiring of the Project Manager for the FQHC Look-alike. But that he agreed with Ms. Robinson's proposal to contract the Project Manager instead. Budget for contracting FQHC Look-alike Project Manager to be budgeted for September new fiscal year.

Motion by Mr. Duran for administration to proceed in contacting NACHC for more information on the possibility of MCHD's approval for the FQHC Look-alike designation.

2nd by Ms. Robinson

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS

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

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS

Meeting Adjourn at 12:36PM.

Chairman – Aaron Valdez

Vice Chairperson Rebecca Robinson