



MCHD
Maverick County Hospital District



Regular Board Meeting Minutes – January 27, 2025

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER: Chairman Valdez opened the meeting at 12:01

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

PRESENT: Aaron Valdez, Chairman; Adolfo Olivares, Vice Chairman; Rebecca Robinson, Secretary Treasurer and

Dr. David Chisum, Trustee arrived at 12:08PM

Dr. Cruz Alberto Bernal, Trustee arrived at 12:03PM

ABSENT: N/A

OTHER: Nestor Bonilla, Interim CEO; Ana Zavala, Interim CFO; Lizet Salinas, COM, Elias Diaz, CO; Ruben Valadez, Legal Counsel; Carolina Sanchez, E.A.A

VISITORS: - Mr. Eladio Montalvo, FDRMC CEO;

AGENDA ITEMS:

ITEM 1: Discussion and Possible Approval of MCHD Board minutes for: Regular Board Meeting Minutes November 25, 2024 AND Special Board Meeting Minutes January 15, 2025

Motion by Ms. Robinson to approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes November 25, 2024 AND Special Board Meeting Minutes January 15, 2025, 2nd by Mr. Olivares.

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS

ITEM 2: Presentation of Reports

COM Report – COM reviewed highlights included full coverage at Urgent Care with Pedro Garcia covering 18 days, Dr. Hector Trevino covering 8 days, Liz Galvan covering 1 day and Felix Escobedo, new PRN, covering 1 day.

MCHD clinic closed due to inclement weather to ensure safety of patients and employees on January 21, 2025. Primary care appointments continued via telehealth with providers working remotely from home.



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Hepatitis C Program launched outreach efforts in Eagle Pass, Del Rio and Uvalde. HEP-C outreach conducted testing at the local detention center with 33 individuals tested with 9 returned positives. HEP-C Program's following steps would be to provide treatment for the incarcerated individuals who tested positive.

Annual Safety Review Summary Report: Mandatory Training for all MCHD and Urgent Care staff was held. Topics included Employee Safety, HIPPA Compliance and Electronic Safety. Safety training will also be incorporated into the orientation process for all new staff members.

CO Report – CO reviewed highlights from the CO report including the pending approval from MHM regard the grant application for the expansion of behavioral health services for \$150,000.

The Human Resource Director, Urgent Care Coordinator and one medical assistant for Urgent care will be starting January 27, 2025 and a second medical assistant for urgent care will be starting February 10, 2025. Grant Specialist had been hired to assist with grant writing and funding monitory and position was fully funded by coalition grants.

CEO Report: Interim CEO reviewed highlights from the CEO report including the submission of the BCCS renewal application for \$350,000. Item 4: ongoing discussion on potential partnership to fill prescriptions for MCHD MFAP and indigent patients. Item 15: Laguna / MCHD EP meeting: Interim CEO had meeting with Veronica Procasky from Laguna clinical Research Associates to discuss the possibility of initiating oncology clinical trials in collaboration of Dr. Eduardo Miranda for MCHD patients. Item 18: Call with Cristina Arizmendi, CSHC Area Director, to discuss ongoing QIPP partnership opportunities with La Hacienda and Eagle Pass Nursing. MCHD has a total of 11 nursing homes. Item 21: Meeting with Dr. Sebastian Ocrospoma, Pulmonology and Critical Care specialist. Discussion about potential recruitment opportunities and Dr. Ocrospoma expressed interest in joining MCHD Team. Tentative plans for onsite visit for March 2025 to further discuss possible next steps. Item 22: Meeting with Realty Trust Group, an advisory firm, to discuss services and expertise in economic development project. Interim CEO to also meet with Hector Cerna, IBC for discussions on possible services for capital improvement, such as medical office building. Item 23: Fort Duncan Regional Medical Center Lease Renewal meeting focused on reviewing current lease terms, potential updates, and ensuring alignment with organizational needs. Interim CEO discussed the possible increase in lease agreement. Next steps include finalizing terms and renewal documents for approval. Item 26: Meeting with Robert Peche, Economic Development Representative to discuss requirements for application. Interim CEO to collaborate with Elias Diaz for further research.

CFO Report: Interim CFO reviewed financial statement review for November 2024-December 2024. Highlights for December 2024 included Total Revenues within budget at 33.35%. Total Expenses within budget at 31.87% with the exception of the Nursing Facility Fees at 35.47%.



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Balance Sheet: Total Asset of \$35MM, Total Liability at \$2MM and the Fund balance at \$33MM.

1st Quarter Investment Report: Ending book value at \$15.7MM and market value at \$14.1MM. Unrealized Gain (loss) at \$10,000, Accrued Interest at \$5,594, Interest Paid at \$103,040.

Item 3- Discussion and possible action regarding memorandum of understanding between Eagle Pass SAFE and Maverick County Hospital District for zeroing in grant award.

Eagle Pass SAFE received \$500,000 from Gilead Corporate for a project of 2 years for outreach in HIV prevention, HEP-C prevention and care and substance abuse services related to sexual health services.

Motion to approve memorandum of understanding between Eagle Pass SAFE and Maverick County Hospital District by Mr. Olivares, 2nd by Ms. Robinson.

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS

Item 4 – Discussion and possible action on an Intergovernmental Transfer in the amount of 799,668.03 to Fort Duncan Regional Medical Center for Uncompensated Care Program Demonstration Year 14.

Motion to approve Intergovernmental Transfer in the amount of 799,668.03 to Fort Duncan Regional Medical Center for Uncompensated Care Program Demonstration Year 14 by Mr. Olivares, 2nd by Ms. Robinson.

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS

Item 5 - Discussion and possible action regarding request to conduct MCHD Regular Board Meetings at 5:00 p.m. on the currently established calendar dates.

Dr. Bernal and Dr. Chisum expressed difficulty attending monthly meetings at 12PM. Moving the meeting to 5PM would allow for all members to be present.



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Motion to conduct MCHD Regular Board Meetings at 5:00 p.m. on the currently established calendar dates by Ms. Robinson, 2nd by Dr. Bernal.

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

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Meeting entered into Executive Session at 12:34PM.

Meeting entered into Open session at 1:55PM.

Item 6: Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 and 551.085 – Consultation with legal counsel and discussion of health care services including but not limited to possible Provider Contract with Endocrinologist, Dr. Srilekha Bodepudi; Pain Management, Dr. Eliel Nataki; Orthopedic Surgeon, Dr. Andre Thomas and possible Physician Assistant Contract with Manuel Hernandez; Possible action in open session regarding same.

Motion to authorize Interim CEO to negotiate contracts with Endocrinologist, Dr. Srilekha Bodepudi; Pain Management, Dr. Eliel Nataki; Orthopedic Surgeon, Dr. Andre Thomas to negotiate and execute same and to negotiate terms with Manuel Hernandez as discussed in executive session to by Dr. Chisum, 2nd by Dr. Bernal.

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS

Item 7: Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.074, Texas Government Code-Consultation with attorney and discussion of personnel matters; job performance and contract evaluation of Interim CEO Nestor Bonilla. Possible action in open session regarding same, which may include job description adjustments, salary adjustment, and possible adjustment of interim CEO title.

Motion to table item and call special meeting to review information presented during executive session by Ms. Robinson, 2nd by Dr. Bernal.



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AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

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

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ALL IN FAVOR; UNANIMOUS

Meeting Adjourn at 1:59PM.

Chairman – Aaron Valdez

Vice Chairman – Adolfo Olivares