

**EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024 – 3:00 P.M.
EIGHTH FLOOR BOARD ROOM**

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>
Henry Gallardo, Board Chair Kristina Mena, Ph.D., Board Secretary Isidro Torres, Board Member (remote) Anna Perez, Ed.D., Board Member Miguel Fernandez, Board Member (remote) Judge Linda Chew, Board Member <u>ABSENT</u> Steve DeGroat, Board Member	R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO Jennifer Carrasco, Exec. Asst. to the Board of Managers Michael Nuñez, District Chief Financial Officer Omar Villa, Chief Legal Officer Tony Castillo, General Counsel Maria Zampini, Chief Operating Officer Amy Daher, CNO Ryan Mielke, Admin. Dir., of Public Affairs Jon Law, CSO Lorena Navedo, CAO Dr. Joel Hendryx, CMO Chris Chacon, CEO, UMC Surgical Hospital Jose Rodriguez, COO/CNO, UMC Surgical Hospital Cathy Gibson, CCO Myron Lewis, Asst. Admin., Pharmacy Services Jerry Akin, Asst. Admin., Planning, Design & Construction <i>Several others attended virtually.</i>

1, 2, & 3. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Henry Gallardo, board chair, called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2024. A quorum was established. No one signed up for public comment.

**4. Minutes of the Board of Managers meeting held on April 16, 2024.
(Tab A)**

There were no corrections to the meeting minutes that were previously distributed. The April 16, 2024 meeting minutes were approved as distributed.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: MOTION to approve the consent agenda items #5-14 (listed below) was made by Dr. Perez and seconded by Dr. Mena. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Judge Linda, Yes; Mr. Fernandez, Yes; Mr. Torres, Yes. Motion carried.

**5. Acknowledge receipt of the El Paso County Hospital District combined Financial Statements for March 2024.
(Tab B) (Finance Committee)**

6. Accept the Quarterly Investment Report for period ended March 31, 2024.

(Tab C) (Finance Committee)

7. Adopt the following policies:

(Tab D) (Finance Committee)

- 1. Financial Assistance (F-14)**
- 2. Financial Policy (F-17)**
- 3. Scope of Services Plan**
- 4. Patient Experience Council (C-20)**
- 5. Immunization (MS-121)**

8. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract for the Oracle Health Infusion Suite System.

(Tab E) (Finance Committee)

9. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract for the Oracle Health Oncology System.

(Tab F) (Finance Committee)

10. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a renewal agreement with Becton Dickinson (BD) for Medication Distribution System (Pyxis).

(Tab G) (Finance Committee)

11. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the Selection Committee's recommendation for Architectural Services for Eastlake Urgent Care (RFQ#950-06/23-012).

(Tab H) (Finance Committee)

12. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the Selection Committee's recommendation for General Contractor for Sterile Processing Renovation (RFP#950-03/24-0003). *(includes backup for capital substitution request as presented in the 4/24 Finance Committee meeting)*

(Tab I) (Finance Committee)

13. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to authorize a capital substitution to purchase the GE Carescape VC150 vital sign machines.

(Tab J) (Finance Committee)

14. Approve the following Medical Staff requests:

(Tab K) (PAC Committee)

- 1. Temporary Privileges**
- 2. Initial Medical Staff Applications**
- 3. Initial Allied Health Professional Applications**
- 4. Medical Staff Reappointments and Renewal of Privileges**
- 5. Advanced Practice Provider Reappointment and Renewal of Privileges**
- 6. Additional Privileges**
- 7. Change in Category Status/Privileges**
- 8. Notification of Resignations**
- 9. Leave of Absences /Suspensions and Reinstatements**
- 10. Automatic termination per Bylaws Article VIII 8.1.6**
- 11. Other Business**
- 12. Focused Professional Practice Evaluations**

- a. Completed FPPE (Initial Requested Privileges)
- b. Completed FPPE (Additional Requested Privileges)
- c. FPPE – Beyond Biennial Reappointment – Proceed to OPPE
- d. FPPE – Extension
- e. Additional FPPE (Insufficient Data for Requested Privileges)
- f. Completed Additional FPPE (Insufficient Data for Requested Privileges)

13. Ongoing Professional Practice Evaluations

REGULAR AGENDA

15. Receive and take appropriate action on the CEO Report for the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso.

The Board of Managers received an update on behalf of EPCHD d/b/a UMC. Mr. Cintron presented on the following topics:

- Congresswoman Escobar presents \$1.3 million to UMC for generator replacement as part of a \$19 million in federal funds for El Paso
- City Council Rep. Josh Acevedo tours UMC and El Paso Children's Hospital
- UMC CNO and Nursing Director selected for the Johnson & Johnson Nurse Innovation Fellowship
- UMC Associates Radiate Success at Spring Forums
- UMC Minutes for April highlights

ACTION: MOTION to accept the CEO report was made by Judge Chew and seconded by Dr. Mena. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Judge Chew, Yes; Mr. Torres, Yes; Mr. Fernandez, Yes. Motion carried.

16. Receive and take appropriate action on a quarterly update on behalf of El Paso Children's Hospital.

The Board of Managers received an update on behalf of El Paso Children's Hospital. Dr. Cindy Stout presented on the following topics:

- Service Line Growth and Development
 - Continuing Medical Education Events
 - Vetting candidates for several specialty areas
- Multispecialty Center Opening Day
- Cerebral Palsy Symposium
- Dr. Jimenez OR Dedication
- Medventures
- Junior League of El Paso Women's Wellness Summit
- Univision Health Expo
- Dr. Yates awarded the Rosa del Desierto Award
- EP County 12th Birthday Resolution
- Mayoral 12th Birthday Proclamation
- El Paso Children's Hospital Day – KTSM 9 News
- Best of the City – Voted Best Hospital 2023

ACTION: MOTION to accept the El Paso Children's Hospital update was made by Dr. Mena and seconded by Dr. Perez. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Judge Chew, Yes; Mr. Torres, Yes; Mr. Fernandez, Yes. Motion carried.

17. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to contribute funding to The University of Texas at El Paso to aid in addressing regional shortages in the medical and health professions.
(Tab L)

The Board of Managers reviewed and discussed this request presented by Mr. Cintron.

ACTION: MOTION to approve as presented was made by Dr. Perez and seconded by Dr. Mena. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Judge Chew, Yes; Mr. Torres, Yes; Mr. Fernandez, Yes. Motion carried.

18. Discuss and adopt a resolution to accept funds distributed to the El Paso County Hospital District by the Texas Opioid Abatement Fund Council under Texas Government Code §403.508(a)(2) and 34 Texas Administrative Code §16.222 for use to remediate the opioid crisis.
(Tab M)

The Board of Managers reviewed and discussed this request presented by Mr. Nuñez.

ACTION: MOTION to adopt the resolution to accept funds to remediate the opioid crisis was made by Dr. Mena and seconded by Mr. Fernandez. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Judge Chew, Yes; Mr. Torres, Yes; Mr. Fernandez, Yes. Motion carried.
The Board of Managers convened Executive Session at 3:44 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

19. Consultation with El Paso County Hospital District attorney regarding legal department matter #HM-23-577, pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071.

Discussed. Action taken in open session.

20. Discuss information relating to proposed service lines or product lines of hospital district, pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.085(a)(2).

Discussed. Action taken in open session.

Any action taken as a result of this discussion will be taken at the opening of this meeting after closed session, or at a subsequent meeting

OPEN SESSION

The Board of Managers re-convened Open Session at 4:57pm.

21. Take appropriate action regarding legal department matter #HM-23-577.

Discussed in executive session. Mr. Villa, Chief Legal Officer, read the following motion into record:

Approve and authorize the President and CEO to execute a settlement agreement with the State of Texas in regard to legal department matter #HM-23-577.

ACTION: MOTION to approve and authorize the President and CEO to execute a settlement agreement with the State of Texas in regard to legal department matter #HM-23-577 was made by Judge Chew and seconded by Mr. Torres. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Judge Chew, Yes; Mr. Torres, Yes. Motion carried.

22. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to execute an amendment with Outreach Strategists.

Discussed in executive session.

ACTION: MOTION to approve and authorize the President and CEO to execute an amendment with Outreach Strategists was made by Dr. Perez and seconded by Judge Chew. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Judge Chew, Yes; Mr. Torres, Yes. Motion carried.

23. Adjournment.

Board of Managers meeting adjourned at 4:58pm.



Kristina Mena, Ph.D., Board Vice-Chair



Anna Perez, Ed.D., Board Secretary