

EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2022 – 3:00 P.M.  
EIGHTH FLOOR BOARD ROOM

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>
Henry Gallardo, Board Chair Joy Martinez, Board Vice Chair Kristina Mena, Ph.D., Board Secretary Anna Perez, Ed.D., Board Member Carlos Martinez, Board Member Steve DeGroat, Board Member Veronica Carbajal, Board Member (remote)	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 Dr. Joel Hendryx, Chief Medical Officer Jon Law, Chief Strategic Officer Ruben Vogt, Asst. Admin, Government Affairs Ryan Mielke, Dir. of Public Affairs Amy Daher, Chief Nursing Officer Maria Zampini, Chief Operating Officer Gabriela Rodriguez, Admin. Dir., Physician Svc. Paul Braden, Outside Counsel Jerry Akin, Asst. Admin., Plan, Design & Construction
<u>ABSENT</u> None	<i>Remote participants:</i> Eddie Sosa Claudia Aranda Janel Lujan Cathy Gibson Gus Gonzalez Carol Smallwood Cynthia Renteria Myron Lewis Guest
	Christina Sanchez Dave Thomsen Leticia Flores Ray Davis Lorena Navedo Dr. Richard Lange Janice Harris Brandon Gardner

**1, 2, & 3. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Henry Gallardo, board chair, called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2022. A quorum was established. No one signed up for public comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ACTION: MOTION** to approve the consent agenda items #4-9 (listed below) was made by Mr. DeGroat and seconded by Dr. Mena. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Ms. Martinez, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Ms. Carbajal, Yes; Mr. Martinez, Yes; Mr. DeGroat, Yes. Motion carried.

**4. Approve the minutes of the Board of Managers meeting held on May 10, 2022.**  
(Tab A)

**5. Approve the El Paso County Hospital District combined Financial Statements for April 2022.**  
(Tab B) (Finance Committee)

**6. Approve and accept the Hilltop Securities Asset Management Compliance Package as required by the Texas Public Funds Investment Act.  
(Tab C) (Finance Committee)**

**7. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute the Fellowships Agreement with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine (TTUHSC).  
(Tab D) (Finance Committee)**

**8. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute the Residents Agreement with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine (TTUHSC).  
(Tab E) (Finance Committee)**

**9. Approve the following Medical Staff requests:  
(Tab F) (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. Allied Health Professional Reappointment and Renewal of Privileges
6. Additional Privileges
7. Change in Category Status/Privileges
8. Request for Leave of Absence/Resignation/Relocation
9. Suspensions and Reinstatements
10. Automatic termination per Bylaws Article VIII 8.1.6
11. Other Business
12. Focused Professional Practice Evaluations
13. Ongoing Professional Practice Evaluations

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

**10. 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 a verbal update on behalf of EPCHD d/b/a UMC. Mr. Cintron presented on the following topics:

- New Sun Plaza, Chelsea Clinics welcome
- COVID-19
- Government Relations – Federal
- Tragic Shootings & Response
  - Uvalde, TX
  - Tulsa
- UMC Enhanced Security

**ACTION: MOTION** to accept the CEO report was made by Mr. DeGroat and seconded by Mr. Martinez. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Ms. Martinez, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Ms. Carbajal, Yes; Mr. Martinez, Yes; Mr. DeGroat, Yes. Motion carried.

**11. Receive and take appropriate action on an update on behalf Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso.**

The Board of Managers received a verbal update on behalf of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso. Dr. Richard Lange, President of TTUHSC, presented on the following topics:

- July 1<sup>st</sup> Admissions
- Number of doctors in El Paso has increased by 57%
- Excellent collaboration between UMC and Tech teams

**ACTION: MOTION** to accept the update on behalf of TTUHSC was made by Mr. DeGroat and seconded by Ms. Martinez. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Ms. Martinez, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Ms. Carbajal, Yes; Mr. Martinez, Yes; Mr. DeGroat, Yes. Motion carried.

**12. Discuss and take appropriate action to authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute an agreement with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso for Anesthesiology Services. (Tab G)**

Ms. Rodriguez presented an executive summary for this request. She explained the objective, scope of services, contract term, and recommendation.

**ACTION: MOTION** to approve this agenda item request was made by Mr. DeGroat and seconded by Ms. Martinez. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Ms. Martinez, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Ms. Carbajal, Yes; Mr. Martinez, Yes; Mr. DeGroat, Yes. Motion carried.

**13. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute an amendment to the consulting services agreement with Hälsa Advisors.**

Mr. Law, Chief Strategic Officer, presented this amendment request for discussion. The amendment is to extend the contract for services and he noted that UMC will only pay for services as they are rendered.

**ACTION: MOTION** to approve this agenda item request was made by Mr. DeGroat and seconded by Ms. Martinez. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Ms. Martinez, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Ms. Carbajal, Yes; Mr. Martinez, Yes; Mr. DeGroat. Motion carried.

**14. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding a resolution requesting El Paso County Commissioners to authorize publication of notice of intention to issue El Paso County Hospital District certificates of obligation in accordance with Texas Local Government Code §271.049.**

Mr. Omar Villa, Chief Legal Officer, presented the resolution for review and discussion. The board of managers discussed the resolution and its content. After discussion, a recommendation was made to add explicit language to the resolution in regards to the inclusion of the central neighborhood clinic and the offering of geriatric services and other services.

**ACTION: MOTION** to adopt the resolution subject to the addition of language addressing the central neighborhood clinic and services as recommended during the discussion was made by Mr. DeGroat and seconded by Dr. Perez. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Ms. Martinez, Yes; Dr. Mena, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Ms. Carbajal, Yes; Mr. Martinez, Yes; Mr. DeGroat. Motion carried.

**15. Adjournment.**

**ACTION: MOTION** to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. DeGroat and seconded by Mr. Martinez. The meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.



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Henry Gallardo, Board Chair



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Kristina Mena, Ph.D., Board Secretary

Approved by the Board of Managers on July 12, 2022.