



Hi-Desert Memorial Health Care District dba
Morongo Basin Healthcare District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Budget Workshop - May 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.
Convened at the District Offices
6530 La Contenta Road, Suite 100, Yucca Valley CA 92284 | 760.820.9229

- **Mission Statement:** *To improve the health and wellness of the communities we serve.*
- **Vision:** *A healthy Morongo Basin.*
- **Core Values:** *Commitment, Collaboration, Accountability, Dignity, Integrity.*

Board of Directors:

- Director Armstrong
- Director Doyle
- Director Evans
- Director Markle-Greenhouse
- Joseph Sullivan

Staff Present:

- Jackie Combs, CEO
- Debbie Anderson, Controller
- Cindy Schmall, Director Operations
- Joe Ruddon, Director Business Development
- Tricia Gehrlein, Director Population Health

Public Present:

- Eric Knabe, Z107fm
- Jenna Hunt, Star

- Paul Hoffman, CHC board member
- Mary Ann Shirbroun, CHC board member
- Cassie Souter, CHC board member
- Beverly Scott, CHC board member
- Bryan Goldfarb, CHC board member

CALL TO ORDER

Director Armstrong called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Jackie Combs, CEO, conducted roll call. Five Directors were present for a quorum.

OBSERVANCES

Director Sullivan read the mission, vision and core value statements.

Director Armstrong led the assembly in the pledge to the American flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment presented.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion 19-2X: Director Doyle motioned to approve the meeting agenda as presented; motion seconded by Director Greenhouse; motion passed by unanimous vote.

BUDGET PRESENTATION

Ms. Anderson presented the budget; no questions or requested changes were presented by the board for the 2020 budget. At the close of the presentation, Director Armstrong requested the following for future consideration:

- The \$2 million from the hospital lease and \$600,000 from property taxes be used to meet community needs and operate new programs for the community.
- When new programs are presented to the Board for approval, he would like to see the operations for the new program projected out 2-5 years for the new program's effect on the bottom line of

the budget. He also requested operational cost be projected out through the end of the budget, and presented to the Board periodically throughout the year.

- He requested the following budget items be re-evaluated for completeness: loss or gain from investments, increase to all expenses, depreciation to include the La Contenta Business Center, and tax revenue.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

- **DIRECTOR SULLIVAN:** suggested that a board retreat to discuss the board's philosophy on budget would be useful.
- **DIRECTOR GREENHOUSE:** thanked Ms. Anderson for the presentation; she, too, would appreciate a board retreat.
- **DIRECTOR DOYLE:** thanked Ms. Anderson for her presentation.
- **DIRECTOR EVANS:** also is interested in a board retreat. She recommended seeking grants to supplement program operations.
- **DIRECTOR ARMSTRONG:** thanked Ms. Anderson for the exceptional job with the budget; thanked Joe Rutton for thinking outside the box related to an earlier presentation during the Foundation meeting where fundraising efforts will support the LIFT Transportation program.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION at 6:55 p.m. After a brief break, the board convened to closed session at 7:05 p.m.

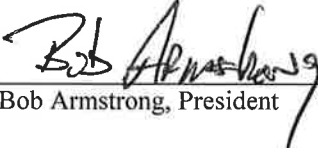
- *Pursuant to Government Code section 32106 of the Health and Safety Code: Report involving Trade Secret. Estimated date of public disclosure is projected for June, 2019.*

RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION at 7:35 p.m. to receive Closed Session report. Director Armstrong had no report for the public.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Director Armstrong adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Board meeting minutes recorded by K. Graley, Board Clerk.



Bob Armstrong, President



Dianne Greenhouse, Secretary