

Hi-Desert Memorial Health Care District dba  
**Morongo Basin Healthcare District**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER**  
**GOVERNING BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**August 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.**

*Convened on site for board members and staff; public invited to attend via GoToMeeting, an electronic, remote-site platform temporarily permitted as per the Executive Order issued by California's Governor in response to the COVID-19-19 pandemic.*

- **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.*

**PRESENT**

**BOARD MEMBERS**

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|----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| • Greg Brown         | • Bryan Goldfarb ( <i>remote</i> ) | • Alejandro Penalva ( <i>remote</i> ) |
| • Pat Cooper         | • Dianne Greenhouse                | • Beverly Scott ( <i>remote</i> )     |
| • Misty Evans Sharma | • Dale Mondary ( <i>remote</i> )   | • Cecelia St. Clair                   |
|                      | • Denise Cullum                    | • Supinda Sirihekaphong               |

**STAFF**

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| • Mitch Hall, CEO           | • Cindy Schmall, COO                         |
| • Jackie Combs              | • Debbie Anderson, CFO                       |
| • Karen Graley, Board Clerk | • Janeen Duff, manager mobile dental program |

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dianne Greenhouse called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was convened physically on the La Contenta campus and by using the electronic platform, Go-To-Meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

Karen Graley, Board Clerk, conducted roll call.

**OBSERVANCES**

Greg Brown led the assembly in the pledge to the American flag; Pat Cooper read the mission, vision statements.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were presented.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

Consensus to approve the agenda as presented.

**PRESENTATION**

**COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER OVERVIEW – Jackie Combs**

Jackie Combs began her presentation with an overview of health center history. Health centers were created in the 1960s and came out of a national commitment to social justice, civil rights, an effort to reduce inequity, and to provide healthcare for those most in need.

She continued with Board Authority over the health center as stated in the HRSA compliance manual, requirements as specified in the bylaws, and the required composition of the governing board.

**RECOGNITION OF JACKIE COMBS – Dianne Greenhouse**

Dianne Greenhouse presented a plaque to Jackie Combs, former CEO, on behalf of both boards and staff. The plaque stated:



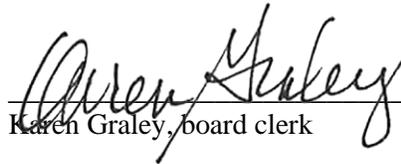
*In recognition of a career well spent in the pursuit of improving the health and wellness of others, we celebrate Jackie Combs, RN, MSN, with this tribute. Her influence in the Morongo Basin healthcare community has been substantial and significant through her steadfast leadership mentoring and collaboration. Always the advocate for improved health, her innovative efforts to remove barriers and make healthcare more accessible in our communities will be her enduring legacy. Having established the vision for healthcare in the Morongo Basin she has inspired others to follow her extraordinary example.*

Several board members offered accolades about Jackie’s leadership and time with the healthcare District. The meeting adjourned and cake was served.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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

  
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Karen Graley, board clerk