



Hi-Desert Memorial Health Care District dba
Morongo Basin Healthcare District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 8, 2016 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 Sullivan, President
- Director Doyle, Vice President
- Director Cooper, Secretary
- Director Hoffman, Treasurer
- Marti Avels

Administrative Staff:

- Jackie Combs, CEO
- Karen Graley, Board Clerk
- Patricia White, Controller
- Joe Ruddon, Director Business Operations

Media:

- None present

Guests:

- Sue Tsuda, Healthy Generations
- Susan Madavan, CHC board president
- Bob Armstrong
- Dianne Greenhouse

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Karen Graley, Board Clerk, conducted roll call:

- Director Sullivan: present
- Director Doyle: present
- Director Cooper: present
- Director Hoffman: present
- Director Avels: present

OBSERVANCES

Director Avels the mission, vision and core value statements.

Director Hoffman lead the assembly in the pledge to the American flag.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion 16-43: Director Doyle motioned to approve the meeting agenda as presented; motion was seconded by Director Avels; motion passed by unanimous vote.



COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

Center for Healthy Generations, Sue Tsuda presented.

The Health Generation Center is a unique resource in our community with 75 volunteers. The pool is 30'x15' and 4' deep which limits the pool activity. The Center provides swimming lessons to children up to age 6. A variety of aquatic classes are offered to adults (yoga to Zumba). The pool has a hydraulic lift chair for disabled participants.

The Center has cast a vision for the construction of a new pool to serve the communities of the Morongo Basin; the vision is for two pools: a therapy pool at 14'x20' and a large pool at 30'x60' covered with a monolithic dome which would be FEMA approved as a disaster center. The Center is seeking to begin the community together in discussion, and to establish a joint-powers association to manage the pool.

The Center's site does not qualify for the new construction. The current proposal site is for Yucca Valley where the greater population resides. The Center services community members from Landers and Johnson Valley making Yucca Valley centrally located.

Regarding funding for the project, the Center is seeking to partner with USC Riverside's program where graduate intern students research grant opportunities. Ms. Tsuda asked the healthcare District to participate in the community discussion and joint authority group.

There was discussion about the location; the Directors recommended using the CMC campus so the pool is centrally located to the community. The Directors also conveyed their interest in this community project and committed Staff in support of it.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda presented the following items for approval:

- Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors, July 28, 2016
- Policy HR-289: Employee Code of Conduct (new)

Motion 16-44: Director Doyle motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented; motion seconded by Director Avels.

Director Hoffman requested discussion about policy HR-289. He suggested language changes to the policy and form to make a uniform reference as "Standards of Behavior."

The motion and second were amended to approve policy HR-289 with edits. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

REPORTS

MORONGO BASIN HEALTHCARE DISTRICT UPDATE, Jackie Combs, CEO

Ms. Combs referred the Directors to Tab 2 in the agenda packet and provided the following additional information:

- Pediatric volumes for the Twentynine Palms clinic is not broken out by the clinic and is included in the overall visits reported.
- Ms. Combs attended the Chad Mayes breakfast on Saturday at Hawk's Landing. It was an excellent networking opportunity. She was able to thank Rep. Cook for his support of the clinics and invited him to the October 8 health and resource fair in Twentynine Palms. She also spoke with Assemblyman Mayes; he inquired about the relationship between the healthcare District and Tenet management. She also had opportunity to connect with HDMC CEO, Karen Faulis and CFO Scott Wartelle; they requested to report to the Board of



Directors at the September meeting regarding progress in fulfilling the agreement. They also discussed meeting with District Staff every other month.

- Director Hoffman asked about the Community Health Center quality grant. Ms. Combs stated that the grant monies will provide for the hire an RN to manage the Twentynine Palms clinic and Cindy Dietz to continue to coordinate the eMD data.

ACTION ITEM

Motion 16-45 / Resolution #16-04: Authorize resolution #16-04 to remove the clinics' Executive Director from the MBHD bank accounts and add the Director of Business Operations.

Ms. Combs introduced the action item. Motion by Director Hoffman, second by Director Doyle to approve the action. Motion approved and resolution authorized with a roll call vote of 5:0.

CALENDAR REVIEW AND COORDINATION

The calendars for the Board of Directors was reviewed and coordinated:

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Tenet report / September

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

- Director Cooper: Thanked Jackie Combs and staff for their dedicated work; "Can't see what all is going on, but your reports are informative and appreciated."
- Director Avels: "Ditto"
- Director Hoffman: no comment offered.
- Director Doyle: Thanked Susan Madavan from CHC for attending, "We so appreciate the collaboration with the CHC Board." Called out staff for their celebratory National Community Health Center Week. She thanked Sue Tsuda for the Healthy Generations presentation; and thanked Jackie Combs for all the changes that have been implemented throughout the District, making sure that everything works well.
- Director Sullivan: Thanked staff for their terrific work.

OPEN SESSION ADJOURNED

Director Sullivan adjourned the open session at 6:18 p.m.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Directors convened at 6:30 p.m. to Closed Session pursuant to:

- Pursuant to Government Code section 54957 of the Health and Safety Code:
Employee Performance Evaluation – Chief Executive Officer

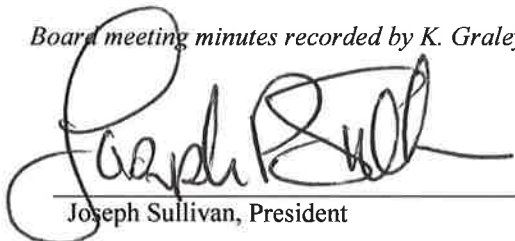
RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Board of Directors reconvened to Open Session at 7:45 p.m. Director Sullivan reported that the annual CEO performance review was completed and a merit adjustment was made.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Director Sullivan adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

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



Joseph Sullivan, President



Patricia Cooper, Secretary