



Hi-Desert Memorial Health Care District dba
Morongo Basin Healthcare District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

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- **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 Doyle, President
- Director Armstrong, Vice President
- Director Hoffman, Treasurer
- Director Markel-Greenhouse

Administrative Staff:

- Jackie Combs, CEO
- Karen Graley, Board Clerk
- P.K. White, Controller
- Joe Rudson, Director Business Development
- Cindy Schmall, Director Operations
- Ron Stewart, Exec Director, CHC
- Kathy Alkire, Director Quality

Guests:

- Jenna Hunt, The Desert Trail

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Karen Graley, Board Clerk, conducted roll call. Directors Doyle, Armstrong, Hoffman and Greenhouse were present for a quorum; Director Sullivan was not present.

OBSERVANCES

Director Greenhouse read the mission, vision and core value statements.
Director Hoffman led the assembly in the pledge to the American flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion 17-79: Director Hoffman motioned to approve the meeting agenda as presented; motion seconded by Director Armstrong; motion passed by unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda presented the following items for approval:

- Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors, September 21, 2017
- Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors, October 5, 2017

Motion 17-80: Director Hoffman motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented; motion seconded by Director Armstrong; motion passed by unanimous vote.

REPORTS

STRATEGIC PLAN – Jackie Combs, CEO

Ms. Combs presented updates to the Strategic Plan for the first quarter of FY18.



- Board members asked questions about the proposed bike trail project (Objective 1.B.1.4).
- Objective 1.D.1.8: Hospital to Home chronic disease management program will be expanded to incorporate outpatient diabetes patients of the CHC.
- Objective 1.D.1.9: The District will be developing a diabetes education program with classes presented at both clinics (Yucca Valley and Twentynine Palms).
- Objective 1.F.1.16 parenting education: After discussion with some community organization already offering parent classes, the need for parenting classes seems to be met within the community. This strategy will be re-addressed if a need for more parenting classes is voice from community organizations.
- Objective 2.B.2.6: local cancer organizations and businesses have not responded to our offers to partner in the community.
- Goal 3 - Transportation: HRSA quality review identified our LIFT Transportation program as a best practice.
- Director Hoffman said he'd like to see some outcomes for the initiatives, including percentage of completion and detailed outcome, i.e. what was the outcome for patients who used the Take A Hike Program.
- Director Armstrong asked what the District's position was regarding medical marijuana. Ms. Combs stated we did not have a position as it has not been discussed. He was curious why it hadn't been brought to the table if we are positioning ourselves as a community educator for quality of life and health; perhaps we should explore the issue. Staff will explore the topic and present recommendation to the board for discussion. Director Doyle proposed that the board receive education regarding the pros and cons of the issue.

MORONGO BASIN HEALTHCARE DISTRICT UPDATE – Jackie Combs, CEO

Ms. Combs referred the Board of Directors to Tab 2 for her written report and provided the following additional information:

- Staff participated in today's Great American Shake Out.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT SUBSTITUTION FOR CHC-29PALMS

Ms. Combs spoke to the motion. Staff had budgeted \$25,000 in capital equipment for flooring at the Twentynine Palms clinic. The landlord agreed to replace the flooring and staff is recommending the dedicated funds be redirected to purchase three new dental chairs for the Twentynine Palms dental clinic. The original chairs were purchased as used and are now showing wear.

Motion 17-81: Motion by Director Greenhouse, second by Director Hoffman to approve the capital equipment substitution and use monies specified for the flooring project to purchase three new dental chairs for the Community Health Center, Twentynine Palms; motion passed unanimously.

CALENDAR REVIEW AND COORDINATION

The calendars for October through December, 2017 were reviewed and coordinated.

- CHC Governing Board: Bob Armstrong will represent MBHD at Tuesday's CHC meeting.
- Director Hoffman asked about the agenda for the two special meetings in November. Jackie Combs advised that they will be dedicated to the Needs Assessment document.
- Annual Foundation meeting is December 14.



NEXT/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- MUSD presentation, November 2
- Proclamation recognizing Dr. Salhotra, November 2
- Recognition of Mara Cantelo: Director Hoffman inquired about the status of the project. Ms. Combs shared her vision of using the new split rock property to memorialize her life. Director Hoffman was hoping that MBHD could make a presentation to the upcoming TLC event and to the Town and City. General consensus to discuss on next agenda.

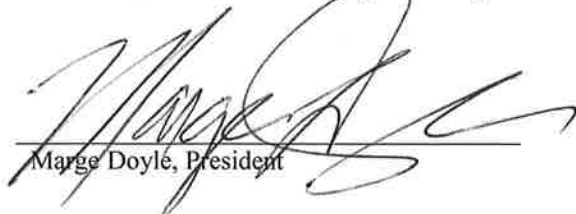
DIRECTOR COMMENTS

- Director Greenhouse: Thank you for a great health fair!
- Director Hoffman: Thanked Joe Rudson and his team for their huge effort to deliver the health fair. The Rotary Club has declared December 25 as Mara Cantelo Day; the Town of Yucca Valley is partnering with TLC to present the traditional Christmas Day event.
- Director Armstrong: no comment.
- Director Doyle: Thank you for a great health fair and the Unity Home domestic violence campaign that culminates in their fundraising event this weekend.

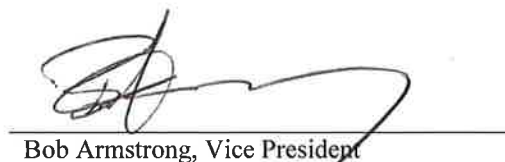
MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Director Doyle adjourned the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

Board meeting minutes recorded by K. Graley.



Marge Doyle, President



Bob Armstrong, Vice President