



Hi-Desert Memorial Health Care District dba
Morongo Basin Healthcare District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC HEARING #5 MINUTES
May 4, 2023 at 6:35 p.m.

*Convened on the La Content campus. The public is invited to attend on campus,
or by Microsoft Teams, an electronic, remote-site platform.*

- **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 of Directors:

- Director Cooper
- Director Evans
- Director Markle-Greenhouse
- Director Savitt
- Director Stiemsma

Administrative Staff:

- Cindy Schmall, CEO
- Karen Graley, Board Clerk (*remote*)
- Joe Ruddon, Chief Community Programs Officer
- Tele Thornett, Administrative Assistant
- Kathy Alkire, Wellness Nurse (*remote*)
- Janeen Duff, Program Development Liaison

Guests

- Ken Chawkins, NDC Consultant (*remote*)
- Reporter, Hi-Desert Star (*remote*)
- Mark Greenhouse, community member (*remote*)
- Jennifer Rendon, community member (*remote*)

CALL TO ORDER

Director Greenhouse called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. The meeting was convened on the La Contenta campus and by electronic platform using Microsoft Teams.

ROLL CALL

Karen Graley, Board Clerk, conducted roll call and declared a quorum.

PRESENTATION

Ken Chawkins, Consultant to National Demographics Corporation gave a brief PowerPoint presentation summarizing the four previous public hearings. The purpose of this fifth public hearing is for the Board of Directors to decide whether to adopt a resolution to implement elections by zone and which map will define those zones.

Director Evans responded to Mr. Chawkins' inquiry as to which map they feel best represents the healthcare district. Director Evans stated the board has taken in good faith the information his firm has provided to the board and are in consensus to choose the Purple-B map to best represent the interests of the communities of the Morongo Basin.

Based on discussions during the fourth public hearing which preceded this hearing on May 4, 2023, the Directors finalized their comments regarding the action item to adopt Resolution 23-03. Director Greenhouse called for the motion.

- **Motion 23-23:** Motion made by Director Cooper to adopt Resolution #23-03 to transition Morongo Basin Healthcare District from district-wide election to zone-specific elections using the map labeled Purple-B to define those election zones; second by Director Evans. A roll call vote taken. The motion passed 5:0.



Resolution #23-03 and the Purple-B map are attached and declared as part of these public hearing minutes.

CEO Schmall congratulated the board on their work in coming to this decision, and thanked Mr. Chawkins for his work.

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.



Heidi Stiemsma, Secretary

Board meeting minutes recorded by K. Graley, Board Clerk