

PIONEERS MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
207 West Legion Road, Brawley, CA 92227
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, December 21, 2022
5:00 pm
PMH Auditorium

Minutes

PMHD MISSION: *Quality healthcare and compassionate service for families of the Imperial Valley*

I. CALL TO ORDER (*time: 5:00 pm – 5:15 pm*)

President Santillan called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm in the PMH Auditorium

A. Roll Call

BOARD MEMBERS:

Katy Santillan, President
Enola Berker, Vice President
Rachel Fonseca, Secretary
Linda Rubin, Treasurer
Nick Aguirre, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

STAFF:

Damon Sorensen, CEO
Carly Loper, CFO
Kristi Gillespie, CNO
Sally Nguyen, General Counsel

GUESTS:

Carly Zamora, Chief of Clinics
Ryan Kelley, Chief of Logistics and Support Services
Carol Bojorquez, Director of Quality
Jorge Reyes, HR Director
Ramaiah Indudhara, MD
Scott Philips, ECRMC CEO
Tomas Oliva, El Centro City Councilmember
Edgard Garcia, El Centro City Councilmember
Syvia Marroquin, El City Council member

B. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Director Aguirre, seconded by Director Rubin. **The motion was unanimously carried.**

II. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no comments.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS – At this time, the Board will hear comments on any agenda item and on any item not on this agenda. If any person wishes to be heard, he or she shall stand; address the chairperson and state the subject, or subjects, upon which he or she desires to comment. Time limit for each speaker is 5 minutes. A total of 15 minutes shall be allocated for each item. (*time: 5:15 pm – 5:30 pm*)

SECTION

There were no public comments.

IV. POLICIES/PROCEDURES/REVIEW OF OTHER ITEMS – The Board will consider and may take action on the following: (*time: 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm*)

A. Discussion Regarding Working Together with El Centro Regional Medical Center

Scott Philips, CEO of El Centro Regional Medical Center (ECRMC), introduced himself to the Board. He spoke about his extensive experience working in the healthcare sector. He commended the Board on their support of ECRMC's recent endeavors with OB and pediatrics. Mr. Philips feels that the two hospitals share a lot of similarities because of their geography. He spoke at length regarding how both hospitals should work together given the mix of patients in the County and the reimbursement rates from the government. Mr. Philips noted that he has stated publicly that both hospitals should be under one Board and one Management. He feels PMHD is in a better position to take over health care in the Valley. Mr. Philips advised the ECRMC would like to continue to explore how both hospitals can collaborate in the future. **There were no questions posed.**

V. CLOSED SESSION – The following matters will be considered by the Board in closed session; the Board will reconvene in open session to announce any action taken on matters considered in closed session. (*time: 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm*)

A. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS INVOLVING TRADE SECRETS – Safe Harbor: Health and Safety Code §32106, subparagraph (b)

1. Based on the Board's prior findings regarding Trade Secret classification, as contained in Resolution 2019-02, consideration and discussion of possible initiation of the following:
 - a. Updating Certain District Strategic Planning Initiatives

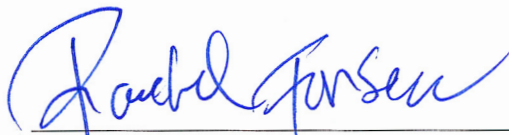
VI. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION (*time: 7:45 pm – 8:00 pm*)

A. Take Actions as Required on Closed Session Matters

1. Board approved entering into an agreement establishing interest in moving forward with ECRMC
2. Board ratified press release
3. Board approved contract with Dr. Chait.

VII. ADJOURNMENT (*time: 8:00 pm*)

The meeting was adjourned to the next meeting.



Board Secretary



Clerk of the Board