

**EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 – 3:00 P.M.
EIGHTH FLOOR BOARD ROOM**

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>
Henry Gallardo, Board Chair Anna Perez, Ed.D., Board Member (remote) Steve DeGroat, Board Member Isidro Torres, Board Member <u>ABSENT</u> Joy Martinez, Board Vice-Chair Kristina Mena, Ph.D., Board Secretary Miguel Fernandez, Board Member	R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO Jennifer Carrasco, Exec. Asst. to the Board of Managers Michael Nuñez, District Chief Financial Officer Omar Villa, Chief Legal Officer Dr. Joel Hendryx, CMO Jerry Akin, Asst. Admin., Planning, Design & Constr. Eric Johansen, Interim CQO Lorena Navedo, CAO Chris Chacon, CEO, UMC Surgical Hospital Jon Law, CSO Amy Daher, CNO Annette Gomez, Asst. Admin., Clinic Svc. Myron Lewis, Asst. Admin., Pharmacy Svc. Ruben Vogt, Asst. Admin., Gov't Relations Ryan Mielke, Director of Public Affairs <i>Several others attended virtually.</i>

1, 2, & 3. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Henry Gallardo, board chair, called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12, 2023. A quorum was established. During public comment, Krys Guice with The Southwest Transplant Alliance, presented the following:

- In 2022, UMC had 21 donors which saved 62 lives with the gift of 64 transplanted organs
- In 2022, UMC had 34 tissue donors with each donor impacting as many as 75 lives
- Southwest Transplant serves over 250 Hospitals
- UMC is ranked #5 for organ donors, #7 for tissue donors and #7 for referring hospitals
- So far in 2023, UMC has had 15 donors and is on track to potentially surpass 2022

On behalf of The Southwest Transplant Alliance, Ms. Guice, presented a plaque to Mr. Cintron, President & CEO, for "Top 25 Hospitals" to UMC of El Paso.

**4. Approve the minutes of the Board of Managers meeting held on August 8, 2023.
(Tab A)**

There were no corrections to the meeting minutes that were previously distributed. With no corrections, the meeting minutes were approved as distributed.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: MOTION to approve the consent agenda items #5-14 (listed below) was made by Mr. DeGroat and seconded by Dr. Perez. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Dr. Perez, Yes; Mr. DeGroat, Yes; Mr. Torres, Yes. Motion carried.

5. Acknowledge receipt of the El Paso County Hospital District combined Financial Statements for July 2023.
(Tab B) (Finance Committee)

6. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract for the Hospital District's Annual Insurance Premium Renewals (FY2024).
(Tab C)

7. Approve and adopt the following policies:
(Tab D) (PAC Committee)

1. Policy A-18, "Workplace Violence Program"
2. Policy MS-101, "Professional Conduct"
3. Policy MS-105, "Resident Supervision"

8. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the Selection Committee's recommendation for Jail Mental Health Services (RFQ#210-03-23-001).
(Tab E)

9. Approve and authorize a capital substitution for the Retail Pharmacy Management System with Point of Sale (RFP#729-02-23-01).
(Tab F)

10. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute an agreement with PreCheck for pre-employment services and background verification services.
(Tab G)

11. Approve and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with SG2/Vizient for consulting services.
(Tab H)

12. Approve and authorize a capital substitution to make leasehold improvements to the 7th Floor at One San Jacinto Plaza, El Paso, Texas.
(Tab I)

13. Approve and authorize a capital substitution for the UMC Surgical Hospital.

14. Approve the following Medical Staff requests:
(Tab J) (PAC Committee)

1. Temporary Privileges
2. Initial Medical Staff Applications
3. Initial Allied Health Professional Applications
4. Medical Staff Reappointments and Renewal of Privileges
5. Allied Health Professional Reappointment and Renewal of Privileges
6. Additional Privileges

7. Change in Category Status/Privileges
8. Request for Leave of Absence/Resignation/Relocation
9. Suspensions and Reinstatements
10. Automatic termination per Bylaws Article VIII 8.1.6
11. Other Business
12. Focused Professional Practice Evaluations
13. Ongoing Professional Practice Evaluations

REGULAR AGENDA

15. Receive and take appropriate action on the CEO Report for the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso.

The Board of Managers received an update on behalf of EPCHD d/b/a UMC. Mr. Cintron presented on the following topics:

- Commissioners Court approval of the FY2024 Budget
- The approval of the FY2024 Tax Rate
- Minimum Wage Increase
- UMC Surgical Hospital
- Successful procedure to repair damage to the aorta by Dr. G. Aidinian and his team
- El Paso Children's Hospital at State of the Military
- El Paso Health Pursuing STAR/CHIP
- Government Relations
 - Federal
 - State
- August UMC Minutes Video

ACTION: MOTION to accept the CEO report was made by Mr. DeGroat and seconded by Mr. Torres. The vote was Mr. Gallardo, Yes; Ms. Dr. Perez, Yes; Mr. DeGroat, Yes; Mr. Torres, Yes. Motion carried.

The Board of Managers convened Executive Session at 3:29 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. Discuss information relating to proposed service lines or product lines of hospital district, pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.085(a)(2).

Discussed. No action taken in open session.

*Any action taken as a result of this discussion will be taken at
the opening of this meeting after closed session, or at a subsequent meeting*

OPEN SESSION

The Board of Managers re-convened Open Session at 4:15pm.

17. Adjournment.

Board of Managers meeting adjourned at 4:15pm.


Henry Gallardo, Board Chair


Kristina Mena, Ph.D., Board Secretary