

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Meeting Minutes
March 19, 2021**

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The Board of Directors of Grossmont Healthcare District held a regular meeting on Friday, March 19, 2021 at 7:30 a.m. via teleconference, in accordance with the current State of Emergency and Governor’s Executive Order. Members of the public were also able to participate by telephone. For purposes of these minutes, the listed items are reflected in the order set forth on the posted Agenda. In some cases, discussion of items may have taken place out of sequence during the course of the meeting.

Directors Present: Robert Ayres, Gloria Chadwick, Michael Emerson, Virginia Hall, Randy Lenac

Staff Present: Barry Jantz, Chief Executive Officer
Rachelle Kierulff, Library Director
Carlos Moya, Director of Administrative Services
Erica Salcuni, Director of Programs & Outreach
Jeffrey Scott, General Counsel
Crystal Sloan, Executive Assistant | Office Manager

Guests: Tim Madden, Legislative Advocate (Madden + Quinonez Advocacy)
State Senator Brian Jones
State Assemblymember Randy Voepel’s Office – Gail Ramer, Chief of Staff
Mayor Bill Wells (City of El Cajon)
Councilmember Michelle Metschel (City of El Cajon)
Councilmember Phil Ortiz (City of El Cajon)
City Manager Graham Mitchell (City of El Cajon)
Councilmember Bill Baber (City of La Mesa)
Mayor John Minto (City of Santee)
Councilman Ronn Hall (City of Santee)

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. by President Hall.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Director Lenac led the pledge.

C. Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Director Ayres, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0) to adopt the agenda.

D. Public Comment

Those elected officials or their representatives listed as guests above acknowledged retiring CEO Barry Jantz's service to the community.

E. Consent Action Items

1. Minutes of Special Meeting of February 15, 2021
2. Minutes of Special Meeting of February 16, 2021
3. Minutes of Special Meeting of February 17, 2021
4. Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 19, 2021
5. Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 1, 2021
6. Minutes of Special Meeting of March 4, 2021

President Hall suggested two corrections on minutes of February 19, 2021. **With those amendments, motion was made by Director Ayres, seconded by Director Emerson, and unanimously carried (5-0) to adopt the minutes.**

F. Reports/Presentations/Discussion/Possible Action Items **(00:20:56)**

1. Presentation of High School Scholarships by Community Grants & Sponsorships Committee (22 Schools)

Director Ayres spoke about the history of the GHD High School Scholarship program and Barry Jantz read off school and student names. Those students' present introduced themselves and were acknowledged by their families, the GHD Board and elected officials.

2. Reports **(00:35:35)**

- a) CEO Report – Barry Jantz

Mr. Jantz's report included:

- The Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) match from the Federal Medical Assistance program this year is 56.2 percent, thus reducing GHD's needed contribution from \$3 million to \$2,628,000. Monies will be paid near the end of the month and the match will still result in a distribution of \$6 million to Sharp Grossmont Hospital.
- The GHD Policies & Procedures Manual is currently under a full review. The Committee will bring updates to the Board for approval over the next few months.
- In order to re-certify with ACHD, GHD staff is developing a Board self-assessment.
- As of Tuesday, San Diego County moved into the Red Tier. We are monitoring the local, state and national guidelines for direction on options for staff and public re-opening.

3. Government, Legal & Legislative Committee – Director Emerson **(00:41:15)**

Director Emerson reported that the Government, Legal & Legislative Committee met on February 26, 2021. Attendees and discussion are listed in the Committee minutes (which are linked from the Board agenda on the District website).

a) Legislative Report – Tim Madden

Tim Madden led the Board through a discussion of current bills and legislative updates including:

- This is the first year of the new two-year session with 2,400 bills introduced (normally 2,8000) many related to the Covid Pandemic
- The Health Care system itself is the focus of bills including the single payer proposal (backed by the CA Nurses Association).
- The CA Hospital Association is backing changes to the seismic requirements set for 2030.
- The CA Attorney General is proposing to oversee any consolidations/mergers in the hospital arena.
- Proposed program Cal-Aim (to revised Medi-Cal program) seeks to treat the “whole person”.

4. Library Operations Committee – Director Hall (No Meeting Held) **(01:16:38)**

a) Year End Report 2020 – Rachelle Kierulff, Library Director

Ms. Kierulff presented a report on the Herrick Library’s activities for 2020. The Board thanked her for an impressive presentation and year, especially given the challenges of Covid-19.

5. Community Grants & Sponsorships Committee – Director Ayres **(01:29:00)**

Director Ayres reported that the Community Grants & Sponsorships Committee met on March 4, 2021. Attendees and discussion are listed in the Committee minutes (which are linked from the Board agenda on the District website).

a) Consideration of Applications for Scholarships (March 4, 2021 Committee Recommendations) – *The following applicants are for approval only; winners will be recognized during a subsequent Board meeting.*

i. Advanced RN Scholarship (Grants Policy includes three \$7,000 recipients):

(a) Julienne Michelle Baugh (Azusa Pacific University/Employer – Sharp Grossmont Hospital)

(b) Shalaine Corbilla (University of San Diego/Employer – Sharp Grossmont Hospital)

(c) Richard Tran (Azusa Pacific University/Employer – Sharp Grossmont Hospital)

Motion was made by Director Ayres, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0) to approve the recommended recipients of the Advanced RN Scholarship.

ii. Richard J. Bea Nursing Scholarship (Grants Policy includes one \$5,000 First Place recipient and one \$3,000 Second Place recipient):

(a) Robert Willis (Grossmont College) - \$5,000

(b) Patricia Cannock (Grossmont College) - \$3,000

Motion was made by Director Ayres, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0) to approve the recommended recipients of the Richard J. Bea Nursing Scholarship.

- iii. Behavioral Health Scholarship (Grants Policy includes five \$10,000 recipients):
 - (a) Azeem Anjum (University of San Diego/Employer – Sharp Grossmont Hospital)
 - (b) Theresa Carroll (University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences/Employer – Sharp Grossmont Hospital)
 - (c) Joy Melhado (California State University San Marcos/Employer – Sharp Grossmont Hospital)
 - (d) Cody Nugent (Brandman University/Employer – Sharp Grossmont Hospital)
 - (e) Mark Rutherford (University of San Diego/Employer – Sharp Grossmont Hospital)

Motion was made by Director Ayres, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0) to approve the recommended recipients of the Behavioral Health Scholarship.

- iv. Health Tech Careers Scholarship (Grants Policy includes five \$3,500 recipients):
 - (a) Anna-Celia Camberos-Sanchez (Respiratory - Grossmont College)
 - (b) Amanda Garoutte (Cardiovascular - Grossmont College)
 - (c) Karla Rocio Ochoa (Vocational Nurse - Grossmont Healthcare Occupations Center)
 - (d) Joseph John Vahle (Cardiovascular - Grossmont College)
 - (e) India Wood (Cardiovascular - Grossmont College)

Motion was made by Director Ayres, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0) to approve the recommended recipients of the Health Tech Careers Scholarship.

- b) Consideration of FY 2021-22 Grants Policy

Motion was made by Director Ayres, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0) to accept the FY 2021-22 Grants Policy.

6. Policies & Procedures Committee – Director Ayres (2/19/21) & Veral report of 3/17/21 **(01:37:56)**

Director Ayres reported that the Policies & Procedures Committee met on February 19, 2021 and March 17, 2021. Attendees and discussion are listed in the Committee minutes (which are linked from the Board agenda on the District website) for the 2/19/21 meeting, and in attendance were Directors Ayres and Chadwick, CEO Barry Jantz, and Executive Assistant/Office Manager Crystal Sloan on 3/17/21.

The Committee is reviewing and updating the Policies & Procedures manual. Recommended updates will be brought to the Board.

7. Public Relations & Outreach Committee – Director Chadwick (2/24/21) and Verbal Report of 3/17/21 Meeting **(01:38:40)**

Director Chadwick reported that the Public Relations & Outreach Committee met on February 24, 2021 and March 17, 2021. Attendees and discussion are listed in the Committee minutes (which are linked from the Board agenda on the District website) for the 2/24/21 meeting, and in attendance were Directors Chadwick and Lenac, CEO Barry Jantz, Director of Programs & Outreach Erica Salcuni, Communications Coordinator Lucy Poplawska, and Executive Assistant/Office Manager Crystal Sloan on 3/17/21.

The Committee continued and subsequently finalized discussion of a Covid informational mailer which is expected to be distributed in the next two weeks.

a. Public Relations Activities Report – Erica Salcuni, Director of Programs & Outreach

Ms. Salcuni made her report including the following:

- The District has made an offer to a new Programs & Outreach Coordinator (position approved with the FY 2020-21 Budget). She speaks Arabic and Spanish which will be very helpful.
- A review of roles included Lucy Poplawska – Communications Coordinator: handles website, social media, press releases, e-newsletter for both the District and the Library, etc.; Programs & Outreach Coordinator: health education, building programs, tabling at events, etc.
- The District has been able to do some outreach recently including events at Grossmont Union High School District and San Ysidro Health (in El Cajon and Campo).
- The All-Grantee Convening held by the District at the end of February was seen as a success. One particular outcome will be a District led Grants Roundtable.

- The District received press coverage for its grants, including coverage in the Times of San Diego, East County Magazine and East County Community Times.
- The District held a Workforce Healthcare Careers development event on March 16. The goal is to build on the Health Pathways and Health Occupations Center, as well as educate the public in general on health careers. There were 102 registrations.
- The 2020 Annual Report is now available though it will not be available in printed form this year.
- The Covid-19 mailer developed by the Public Relations & Outreach Committee is being mailed to all households with individuals 65 and older.

8. Finance/Audit Committee – Director Chadwick (2/4/21) **(01:50:30)**

- a. Consideration of Extension of Auditor Contract for FY 2020-21 with Clifton Larson Allen LLP formerly White Nelson Diehl Evans (Not to Exceed \$31,000, plus expenses and fees as specified)

Motion was made by Director Chadwick, seconded by Director Ayres, and unanimously carried (5-0) to accept the Extension of Auditor Contract for FY 2020-21 with Clifton Larson Allen LLP.

The following items include written documentation. Committee reports may stand as written, unless a verbal report is requested by the Board.

9. Investment Community – Director Emerson (3/8/21)
10. Facilities Committee – Director Lenac (2/26/21 & 3/11/21)
11. Board Member Comments/Reports

Monthly Stipend Report Meetings Attended – The report includes meetings from the prior month. Board Members are invited to provide brief reports on any community meetings, conferences, or trainings attended for which a stipend was paid, or for any other meetings of significance.

G. Information Items

1. CSDA Board of Directors Call for Nominations Seat A
2. LAFCO Call for Nominations Alternate Special District Member Election
3. Committee Assignments

4. Approved Grants and Sponsorships as of February 28, 2021
5. Unpaid Grants and Sponsorships as of February 28, 2021

H. Closed Session **(01:54:00)**

Motion was made by Director Chadwick, seconded by Director Ayres, and unanimously carried (5-0) to move into closed session.

1. Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1): To Consider the Employment and Appointment of the Chief Executive Officer.
2. Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Health & Safety Code 32106: Concerning proposed facilities, programs, and services. (Discussion only, no action will be taken.) Estimated date of disclosure – TBA.

I. Report After Closed Session **(01:56:00)**

The Board in closed session discussed the recruitment of the new CEO and directed the Leadership Committee to work with Counsel in taking appropriate action concerning the matter.

The Board also discussed a matter involving “trade secrets” at the hospital and took no formal action.

J. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting(s):

1. Monday, April 5, 2021, 7:30 a.m.
2. Friday, April 16, 2021, 7:30 a.m.

K. Adjournment

There being no further business, **on motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned at 10:45 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria A. Chadwick, RN, Secretary

ATTEST:

Virginia Hall, RN, President