



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Meeting Minutes  
February 15, 2024**

*The recording of this meeting can be found linked [here](#). These meeting minutes show the time of specific agenda items. Fast forward the recording to the item of interest to hear detailed discussion.*

The Board of Directors of Grossmont Healthcare District held a regular meeting on Thursday, February 15, at 9:00 a.m. via teleconference and in person. Members of the public were able to participate by telephone, Zoom, or at the Grossmont Healthcare District Conference Center, located at 9001 Wakarusa Street, La Mesa, California. 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 meeting. Mis-labeled items on the agenda have been corrected in these minutes.

Directors Present: Gloria Chadwick, RN, Board President  
Robert “Bob” Ayres, Board Vice President  
Virginia Hall, RN, Board Secretary  
Michael Emerson, RDO, Board Treasurer  
Randy Lenac, Board Member

Staff Present: Christian Wallis, Chief Executive Officer  
Tom Scaglione, Chief Administrative Officer  
Amy Abrams, Chief Community Health Officer  
Jeffrey Scott, General Counsel

Guests: Kate Wayne, Grossmont Hospital Foundation (via Zoom)  
Elly Maienschein, Sharp Healthcare (via Zoom)  
Kimber Line, Asure Customer & IP HoldCo LLC

**A. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Gloria Chadwick.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

President Gloria Chadwick led the pledge of allegiance.

C. Approval of Agenda *(00:03:45)*

**Motion was made by Director Hall, seconded by Director Ayres, and unanimously carried (5-0), to approve the Board agenda.**

D. Public Comment *(00:04:25)*

Kate Wayne, Director from Grossmont Hospital Foundation (“GHF”), spoke regarding the Neuroscience Center Topping Out Ceremony (scheduled for February 20, 2024) and informed the Board of GHF’s weather monitoring. GHF will inform the Board if anything changes.

E. Consent Action Items *(00:04:55)*

1. Meeting Minutes of January 18, 2024
2. Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2024

**Motion was made by Director Lenac, seconded by Director Hall, and unanimously carried (5-0), to approve both Board meeting minutes (January 18, 2024 and February 6, 2024), with the following revision made to the January 18, 2024 minutes: Refer to Mr. Ewing in agenda item G(2) as an “Oversight Chairman.”**

F. Reports/Presentations/Discussion/Possible Action Items

1. Reports *(00:06:40)*

a) CEO Report – Christian Wallis

District CEO Wallis gave a report, which included the following:

- The District has been conducting and participating in “Love Your Heart” activities in light of February National Heart Month.
- “Meet the Artist” will be held on March 13, 2024 regarding Alzheimer’s.
- The District will most likely be on the San Diego County Board of Supervisors’ Board meeting agenda on March 12, 2024 for the Rural Health Discharge Program. District staff will inform the Board, Sharp, and District staff.

- Board of Director applications for the CSDA are due April 10.
2. Government, Legal & Legislative Relations Committee – Director Hall (2/7/24) *(00:08:15)*

Director Hall reported that the Committee met on February 7, 2024 and that the minutes will stand as her verbal report. Attendees and discussion are listed in the Committee minutes (which are linked from the Board agenda to the District website).

- a) Presentation: San Diego County ARPA Funds (Elly Maienschein)

Ms. Maienschein spoke regarding the available San Diego County ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Funds for \$40M. The District is in consideration of supporting Supervisor Anderson’s proposal to apply a one-time \$10M towards SB 43 and send a letter of support. Luke Bergman’s proposal is for \$15M to go towards SB 43. Chair Vargas asked for a 1-year delay to provide her proposal. Sharp currently does not have a position and wants to first review all proposals before submitting.

- b) Recommendation: Consideration of Supervisor Anderson Letter of Support for ARPA Expenditure for \$10M to Support Implementation of Senate Bill 43

**Motion was made by Director Lenac, seconded by Director Hall, and carried (4-1), to approve a general letter of support to Supervisor Anderson’s office regarding the funds for SB 43 implementation. (*Director Emerson was the nay vote.*)**

3. Community Grants & Sponsorships Committee – Director Hall (2/7/24) *(00:17:20)*

Director Hall reported that the Committee met on February 7, 2024 and that the minutes will stand as her verbal report. Attendees and discussion are listed in the Committee minutes (which are linked from the Board agenda to the District website).

- a) FY23-24 Monthly Grants and Sponsorships Tracking Report

There were no questions from the Board regarding the FY23-24 Monthly Grants and Sponsorships Tracking Report.

b) Consideration of Grant Requests

Recommended for funding:

- i. McAlister Institute for Treatment & Education Inc.: Substance Use Disorder Services Call Center (SUDSCC) - \$15,261.50 *(No prior funding)*  
**Committee recommendation: \$13,100 for training and software**
- ii. Majdal: Arab Community Center of San Diego: Community Health Program - \$20,254 *(No prior funding)*  
**Committee recommendation: \$11,440 for the community health worker**
- iii. Chaldean Community Council: Acculturation Support for Seniors - \$25,000 *(No prior funding)*  
**Committee recommendation: \$19,966**

Director Hall informed the public and Board that the correct recommendation amount for Chaldean Community Council is 16,966, rather than \$19,966. She also generally thanked any nonprofits for attending the Board meeting via Zoom and/or in person.

**Motion was made by Director Hall, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0), to approve the below grant awards:**

- **McAlister Institute for Treatment & Education Inc.: Substance Use Disorder Services Call Center (SUDSCC) - \$13,100 for training and software**
- **Majdal: Arab Community Center of San Diego: Community Health Program - \$11,440 for the community health worker**
- **Chaldean Community Council: Acculturation Support for Seniors - \$16,966**

Not recommended for funding:

- iv. SD State University Research Foundation – SDSU Center for Excellence in Aging & Longevity (CEAL): Brain Fitness – Empowering Cognitive Health in East County - \$25,000 *(No prior funding)*
- v. SD County Medical Society Foundation dba Champions for Health: Emphasis on East County – Working with Clinic Partners to Increase Access to Specialty Services via Project - \$25,000 *(FY20-21 \$25,000)*

Deferred - the Committee deferred consideration of the following request(s) to a subsequent meeting:

vi. None

- d) Recommendation: Consideration of Noah Homes' FY23-24 Reallocation of Funds Request - \$4,605.43 remaining of \$35,000 grant  
**Committee recommendation: \$4,605.43 (towards vehicle-related purposes only)**

**Motion was made by Director Hall, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0), to approve Noah Homes' FY23-24 reallocation of funds for \$4,605.43 (towards vehicle-related purposes only).**

- e) Recommendation: Consideration of Sharp HospiceCare's Grant – 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Benefit Dinner & Regatta - \$10,000

**Motion was made by Director Hall, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0), to approve Sharp HospiceCare's grant for \$10,000 for the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Benefit Dinner & Regatta.**

4. Finance Committee – Director Emerson (2/14/24) (00:23:00)

Director Emerson reported that the Committee met on February 14, 2024 and reviewed the Committee agenda items. Attendees and discussion are listed in the Committee minutes (which will be linked on a future Board agenda and listed on the District website).

- a) Budget Calendar and Process for Fiscal Year Ending 2025 (For Informational Purposes Only)

Director Emerson explained that the Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year Ending 2025 reflects the internal process of the District for the upcoming Budget. There were no questions.

5. Policies & Procedures Committee – Director Hall (1/22/24) (2/9/24) (00:24:50)

Director Hall reported that the Committee met on January 22, 2024 and February 9, 2024 and that the minutes will stand as her verbal report. Attendees and discussion are listed in the Committee minutes (the January 22, 2024 minutes are linked from the Board agenda to the District website and the February 9 Committee minutes will be listed and linked on a future Board agenda).

- a) Recommendation: Consideration of 2024 District Holidays

**Motion was made by Director Hall, seconded by Director Lenac, and unanimously carried (5-0), to approve the 2024 District Holidays for all staff, which includes two extra half-days for December 24 and December 31.**

- b) Recommendation: Consideration of Human Resources Contract with Asure Customer & IP HoldCo LLC for \$18,000

Through the request for proposal process, the District presented the Asure Customer & IP HoldCo LLC contract for human resources support for \$18,000/year. A confidential memo was emailed to the Board giving more specific details. Attorney Scott and Ms. Line (Asure) answered any questions the Board had, including the jurisdiction and indemnification. The contract would begin as soon as the parties execute the contract.

**Motion was made by Director Hall, seconded by Director Emerson, and unanimously carried (5-0), to approve the 1-year contract with Asure Customer & IP HoldCo LLC for \$18,000.**

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

- 2. Public Relations & Outreach Committee – Director Lenac (1/24/24)
- 3. Facilities Committee – Director Ayres (2/9/24)

Director Chadwick stated that the Public Relations & Outreach Committee meeting minutes from January 24, 2024 and Facilities Committee from February 9, 2024 will stand as written reports, as there were no comments or questions from the Board.

#### G. Board Member Comments/Reports

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

Director Hall shared the agenda items discussed at the recent meetings she attended, which included the Transfer of Care meeting held January 23, 2024, Sharp's Quality & Safety Committee held January 11, 2024, the Lakeside Chamber of Commerce's Government Affairs meeting held on January 16, 2024, and the Santee Homeless Working Group held on January 16, 2024.

Director Ayres shared the status of Sharp’s Neuroscience Center. He attended the Facilities Committee on February 9, 2024, which included a hospital inspection.

Director Chadwick shared the new posters of the District zones that will be hung in the Auditorium soon.

H. Convene to Closed Session *(00:36:50)*

- a) Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 – Board Performance Evaluation of the District General Counsel

I. Report After Closed Session

J. Information Items

- 1. Monthly Grant and Sponsorship Report for January 2024
- 2. Monthly Investment Transaction Report for January 2024
- 3. Monthly Financial Report for January 2024
- 4. 2024 Committee Assignments

K. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting(s):

- 1. Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 9:00 a.m.
- 2. Thursday, March 21, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

L. Adjournment

There being no further business, **on motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned at 9:34 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Gloria Chadwick, RN, President, Board of Directors

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Virginia Hall, RN, Secretary, Board of Directors