

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2025**

Recordings of this meeting can be found linked [here](#) (first recording) and [here](#) (second recording). These meeting minutes show the time of specific agenda items. Fast forward the recording to the item of interest to hear detailed discussion. Unfortunately, the second recording containing the report after closed session has no audio. Please refer to the March 10, 2025 meeting minutes for a summary.

The Board of Directors of Grossmont Healthcare District held a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., via teleconference and in person. Members of the public were able to participate by telephone, Zoom, or in-person at the Grossmont Healthcare District Conference Center, located at 9001 Wakarusa Street, La Mesa, California 91942. For the purpose 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. Any mis-labeled items on the agenda have been corrected in these minutes.

Directors Present: Robert “Bob” Ayres, Board President
 Randy Lenac, Board Vice President
 Virginia Hall, RN, Board Secretary
 Gloria A. Chadwick, RN, Board Treasurer
 Nadia Farjood, Board Member

Staff Present: Christian Wallis, Chief Executive Officer
 Tom Scaglione, Chief Administrative Officer
 Amy Abrams, Chief Community Health Officer
 Jeffrey Scott, General Counsel
 Adam Bauer, Fieldman Rolapp & Associates (via Zoom)
 Jason Chung, Fieldman Rolapp & Associates (via Zoom)
 Lindsey Wade, Hospital Association of San Diego & Imperial Counties
 Martha Crowe, SDSU School of Public Health

A. Call to Order

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

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Chief Administrative Officer, Tom Scaglione.

C. Approval of Agenda *(0:08:45)*

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

D. Public Comment *(0:09:18)*

There was no public comment.

E. Consent Action Items

1. Eric Paredes Foundation: Letter of Support - Nevaeh Youth Sports Safety Act (AB 310)

Assembly Bill 310 is related to AB 1467, which the District previously supported, and requires youth tackle football organizations to comply with various AED protocols. Assembly Bill 310 corrects AB 1467 language stating that only certified persons are allowed to administer an AED. Eric Paredes Foundation would like the District to submit a letter of support relative to AB 310 and needs it prior to March 7, 2025. Counsel Scott stated there are no legal ramifications, from a liability standpoint, in supporting.

Motion was made by Director Ayres, seconded by Director Chadwick, and unanimously carried (5-0), to send Eric Paredes Foundation a letter of support regarding AB 310.

F. Public Hearing *(0:12:24)*

1. Bond Refunding – Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) Hearing

The TEFRA hearing took place and there was no public comment. (Public hearing notice was properly posted on February 24, 2025.)

G. Reports/Presentations/Discussion/Possible Action Items

1. Presentation: Bond Refunding (Fieldman Rolapp & Associates) *(20 minutes with 10 minutes Q&A) (0:15:40)*

Adam Bauer from Fieldman Rolapp & Associates conducted a presentation regarding the potential to refund bonds. This presentation included a municipal market update, a projected estimate of savings based on current market conditions, and potential next steps. Potential gross savings are \$13,677,872. The total savings from past Prop G bond refundings and refunding under consideration are projected to save taxpayers \$47,049,468.

- a) Consideration of Resolution 04-25 Regarding Authorizing the Sale and Issuance of Not to Exceed \$200,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Approving an Escrow Agreement, a Bond Purchase Contract, a Continuing Disclosure Certificate and an Official Statement, Approving the Refinancing for Purposes of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, and Authorizing Related Actions

Motion was made by Director Ayres, seconded by Director Lenac, and unanimously carried (5-0), to adopt Resolution 04-25 Regarding Authorizing the Sale and Issuance of Not to Exceed \$200,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Approving an Escrow Agreement, a Bond Purchase Contract, a Continuing Disclosure Certificate and an Official Statement, Approving the Refinancing for Purposes of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, and Authorizing Related Actions.

2. Presentation: Community Health Needs Assessment (Lindsey Wade, Senior Vice President, Hospital Association of San Diego & Imperial Counties)
(20 minutes with 10 minutes Q&A) (0:33:00)

Lindsey Wade from Hospital Association of San Diego & Imperial Counties (“HASD&IC”) and Martha Crowe from SDSU Institute for Public Health (“SDSU”) conducted a presentation regarding the 2025 Community Health Needs Assessment (“CHNA” and/or “Assessment”). The goal of the CHNA is to identify, understand, and prioritize the health-related needs of San Diego County communities. SDSU School of Public Health was the lead research entity for the project. The total number of individuals who participated in the Assessment was 1,634.

The presentation included a background of SDSU and HASD&IC, CHNA participating health systems, a findings preview, chronic conditions in East County, what’s working in the community, suggestions from the community, and next steps. The findings included the following community needs:

- Assistance managing health conditions
 - o Asthma
 - o Blood Pressure
 - o Cancer
 - o Dental Health
 - o Diabetes
 - o Mental Health/Stress
- Less burden on emergency departments
- A different kind of health experience
- Protection and care for service providers

- Help with crisis
- Better data collection, sharing, and coordination
- Recognition and assistance with disabilities and trauma

3. Board and CEO Comments *(1:19:50)*

Director Farjood wished a peaceful and blessed month to those celebrating Ramadan.

Director Farjood also advocated for changing the Board meeting times from 9am to the evening in order to promote public access and not interfere with the typical workday. Director Farjood informed the Board that roughly 30 members of the public participated in last week's Joint Strategic Plan/Risk Management Committee meeting, which was noticed for 6pm.

Director Hall shared that she recently attended the Santee Homeless Working Group, which Point-in-Time Count showed a decrease in the number of those experiencing homelessness in Santee. Second, the Project Homeless Connect Crisis House East County event will be held May 9, 2025 at the Ronald Reagan Community Center in El Cajon. Third, the Chief Executive Officer of the Santee Chamber of Commerce recently resigned. Fourth, it was mentioned at the Chamber of Commerce East County Government Affairs Committee recently that Supervisor Monica Montgomery Steppe is offering nonprofit grants. Lastly, Director Hall requested that CEO Wallis follow-up with the County to find out when the Crisis Stabilization Unit will open and Director Lenac requested that the Board conduct a tour.

H. Closed Session

1. Pursuant to Government Code 54957 (CEO Evaluation)

(The Board convened to Closed Session at 10:15 a.m.)

I. Report After Closed Session *(2nd Recording)*

(Due to Zoom recording not capturing audio for the report after closed session, please refer to the March 10, 2025 meeting minutes for a summary of the March 4, 2025 report after closed session.)

J. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting(s):

1. Thursday, March 20, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
2. Tuesday, April 1, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

K. Adjournment

There being no further business on **motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned at 12:20 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Robert "Bob" Ayres, President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Virginia Hall, RN, Secretary, Board of Directors