

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Meeting Minutes
August 6, 2024

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 Tuesday, August 6, 2024, 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: Gloria A. 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: Scott Evans, Sharp HealthCare (via Zoom)
 Aaron Byzak, Galvanized Strategies

A. Call to Order

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

B. Pledge of Allegiance *(00:05:00)*

CCHO Abrams led the pledge.

C. Approval of Agenda *(00:05:22)*

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

D. Public Comment

There were none.

E. Consent Action Items

There were none.

F. Reports/Presentations/Discussion/Possible Action Items *(00:06:00)*

1. Reports

- a) Presentation: Sharp Grossmont Hospital Quarterly Update (Scott Evans, PharmD, MHA, Senior Vice President and Market Chief Executive Officer of Sharp HealthCare Regional Hospitals) *(20 minutes with 10 minutes Q&A)*

Mr. Evans with SharpHealthcare presented the Board with the Sharp Grossmont Hospital Quarterly Report. This included information on SharpHealthcare's new Chief People Officer (Rita Essaian), Epic Go-Live! (went live in March 2024), Walk with a Doc (in partnership with the District, began in April 2024, and also includes pharmacists), recognizing the Hospital's excellence (Leapfrog A rating, Beacon Award, and recognition from the American Heart Association "Get with the Guidelines" programs), Hospital Neuroscience Center construction updates (construction continues – topping off ceremony was held in late February), Second Annual Sharp Regional Hospital Strategic Planning event (held in June 2024 and discussed hospital market region plans across all seven pillars of excellence), Hospital team celebrations (team member celebrations with a variety of events that took place over the past few months), and the Hospital performance review (of the seven pillars, 5.5 received a favorable outcome, while 1.5 received a near average outcome with only one being worse than last period (in hospital mortality)).

Mr. Evans answered all questions the Board had including Walk with a Doc, MRI-guided focused ultrasounds to treat tremors, finance and growth developments, Family Medicine Residency Program, and the relationship with Alvarado Hospital.

- b) Presentation: Grossmont Healthcare District Public Relations Strategies (Aaron Byzak, Chief Strategist and Lead Consultant of Galvanized Strategies) *(20 minutes with 10 minutes Q&A)*

CEO Wallis introduced Mr. Byzak with Galvanized Strategies who was recently approved by the Board to conduct District public relations on a 6-month trial contract basis. Mr. Byzak shared information about the organization, their scope of work and timeline, and stories/strategies. The scope of work for the District is 1) media affairs plan development, 2) committee participation and strategic alignment, and 3) reporting and evaluation. Focus areas are 1) highlight community health programs, 2) expand workforce development awareness, and 3) promote grants, library services, leadership profiles.

The Board informed Mr. Byzak about the 1) Family Medicine Residency Program, 2) District partnership with Grossmont Hospital (including during COVID-19), 3) stories about direct healthcare necessities, and the need for their relative public relations strategies.

2. Board and CEO Comments

There were none.

G. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting(s):

- 1. Thursday, August 15, 2024, 9:00 a.m.
- 2. Tuesday, September 3, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

H. Adjournment

There being no further business on **motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned at 10:00 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Chadwick, RN, President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Virginia Hall, RN, Secretary, Board of Directors