

**Tulare Local Health Care District
Board of Directors Special Meeting
Wednesday, January 25, 2023, 6:30 PM
Administrative Offices, Modular Building
842 N. Gem, Tulare, CA
(Northeast corner of Terrace and Gem Street)**

Electronic participation will be available via Zoom Webinar link/phone number below.

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MINUTES

January 25, 2023

Tulare Local Health Care District Board Members Present:

Kevin Northcraft	President	District 4
Mike Jamacia	Vice President	District 2
Xavier J. Avila	Secretary	District 5
Jevon Price	Treasurer	District 3
Brandon Taylor	Director	District 1

1. Call to Order

Vice President Jamacia called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM, advising President Northcraft would be joining the meeting a little later.

2. Public Comment

Steve Harrell shared that he has allocated \$100,000 of his ARPA funds to Tulare Local Healthcare District, and another \$100,000 was donated by Dennis Maderos. Mr. Harrell announced it is on the agenda for the next City Council meeting, once approved checks will go out to recipients.

3. Board Announcements

Director Price advised that he is working with Director Avila, Randy Dodd, and Jason Howard to rebuild the bylaws.

Director Taylor announced that as of January 27, 2023, at 5:00 PM, he would be resigning from the Board of Directors.

4. Consent Agenda

Director Avila made the motion, seconded by Director Taylor, to approve the consent agenda. Approved 4-0

5. Administer Oath of Office to Director (Appointed in lieu of Election) Xavier Avila

The Oath of Office was administered to Xavier Avila by Notary Public Paula Tucker.

6. Discussion and Action Related to Recruiting Process and Timeline for Chief Executive Officer Position

Director Jamacia commented he and Director Avila and Sandra Ormonde reviewed sixteen candidates, there were four chosen to move forward to the interview phase. The interviews will be scheduled during a Special Board Meeting on January 31st. Interviews will be conducted during closed session.

- 7. Discussion Related to Investment Proposal by Wulff Hansen & Company,**
Rob Pankratz reviewed the presentation “Investing in U.S. Treasury Securities” with the group. After consideration by the Board, the request was added to the Special Meeting Agenda for January 31st, 2023.
- 8. Tulare Hospital Foundation Update**
Jan Smith, Director of Philanthropy, advised that there are six new trustees. The Foundation will have its Strategic Planning Session in March and will be coordinating with Randy Dodd. The Summer Jubilee will be on May 20th at Zumwalt Park in Tulare.
- 9. Adventist Health Tulare Update**
Sheri Pereira, Site Administrator, noted in 2022 there were 33,000 admissions into the ED which was a 20% increase. Deliver and OB, there were 240 deliveries, and surgical volume is a 40% increase. Adventist Tulare was recognized for being in the top 10% decile in responsiveness in the nation. Ms. Pereira continued with Adventist Tulare is going live on Cerner Millennium beginning March 2023. Another item of note is that Cath Lab, and Cardiac testing will be open in April.

Kevin Northcraft joined the meeting at 7:42 PM.
- 10. Discussion and Action Related to Scheduling Board of Directors Retreat and/or Study Session and District Strategy Session Special Meeting – Randy Dodd, Interim CEO**
Randy Dodd said he would like to get a Strategy Session on the calendar and send out a poll to all Board Members.
- 11. Discussion and Action to Approve Consulting Contract with Teresa Jacques as District Controller**
Randy Dodd shared the consulting contract with the group. A motion was made by Director Avila, seconded by Director Taylor to approve the consulting agreement in Form. Approved 5-0.
A motion was made by Director Northcraft seconded by Director Price to authorize District Interim CEO to negotiate material terms subject to Board approval. Approved 5-0
- 12. Discussion and Action to Approve Closures of District Bank Account (US Bank lockboxes BOS Pro Fees, Wells Fargo) No Longer Needed**
Stephanie Trueblood, Assistant Controller, advised it would be the US Bank, Bank of Sierra, and Lockboxes that the District no longer uses. A motion was made by Director Avila, seconded by Director Taylor, to close the accounts. Approved 5-0.
- 13. Hospital Tower Construction Committee Update**
Nancy Overstreet gave a brief overview of the Engie Solar for Evolutions Fitness & Wellness Center, and the paving project is moving forward. Ms. Overstreet advised the Microcorre Building 890 N. Cherry Street, Tulare is in poor condition. Randy Dodd commented he toured the Microcorre Building, and it was not inhabitable.
- 14. Chief Executive Officer Report**
Randy Dodd announced the Form 700 are due on April 3, 2023. Mr. Dodd continued to present the proposed Investment Plan with the group.

Jayne Presnell shared the management team had a planning meeting and set some goals. The 2022 numbers have increased over last year.

15. Financial Report

Discussion and Action to Approve Financials:

- a. TLHCD Internal Financial Statements – December 2022
- b. Evolutions Internal Financial Statements – December 2022

A motion was made by Director Northcraft, seconded by Director Price, to approve the Financial Statements as presented. Approved 5-0.

16. Closed Session 9:22 PM

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing litigation (*pursuant to Ca. Govt. Code § 54956.9*):
 - i. *Tulare Local Health Care District v. Bruce R. Greene, et al.*, Superior Court for the State of California for Kern County Case No. BCV-19-103514;
 - ii. *Ibarra v. Tulare Local Health Care District, et al.*, Superior Court for the State of California for Tulare County Case No. VCU262492.
- b. End Closed Session

17. Reconvene Open Session at 9:49 PM– Public Report of Action Taken in Closed Session (If Necessary) pursuant to Government Code 54957.1

18. Adjournment at 10:01 PM – Next regular meeting is scheduled for 6:30 PM on Wednesday, February 22, 2023, at the Administrative Offices, Modular Building, Northeast corner of Terrace and Gem Street.



Xavier Avila, Board Secretary