

**MINUTES
BOARD OF MANAGERS
NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 2, 2021**

The Nueces County Hospital District Board of Managers met at 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 2, 2021 in the NCHD Board Room, at 555 N. Carancahua, Suite 950 – A, Corpus Christi, Texas.

HOSPITAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES:

Jonny F. Hipp	Administrator/CEO
Belinda E. Chism	Assistant Administrator, Administrative Services
Donna Littlefield	Director, Accounting & Finance
Mary Esther Guerra	Assistant County Attorney – via Zoom
Melissa Quintanilla	Executive Assistant/Human Resources
Carmina Hernandez Moreno	Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jenny P. Dorsey	Nueces County Atty.
Francisco X. Zamora	Nueces County Attorney Office, Chief of Admin. Services
Chris Nicosia	CCMC – via Zoom
Jared Konczal	Gjerset & Lorenz – via Zoom
Becky Rios	Christus Spohn Hospital – via Zoom
JT Graham	Crosswinds – via Zoom
Ryan Callison	Accenture – via Zoom
V. Camarillo	CC Caller Times – via Zoom
Adam Robison	Consultant – via Zoom
Gary Eiland	Consultant – via Zoom
Maggie Turner	Nueces County, Asst to Judge Canales – via Zoom
Barbara Canales	Nueces County Judge – via Zoom
Mike Pierce	- via Zoom
Dr. Michael Peterson	- via Zoom
Guest # 15128993995	- via Zoom
Guest # 122114978	- via Zoom

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1. WELCOME

2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF MANAGERS

MEMBERS:

- Daniel W. Dain, Chairman
- Sylvia Tryon Oliver, Vice-Chairman
- Belinda Flores, RN
- Vishnu V. Reddy, M.D.
- John E. Valls, M.B.A.
- Mariana Garza, J.D.
- Efrain Guerrero, Jr.

3. CALL TO ORDER, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM, MEETING POSTING CONFIRMATION, AND CLOSED MEETING NOTICE

A. Call to order – Mr. Dain, Chairman

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Dain at 12:05 p.m.

B. Establish quorum – Mr. Dain.

A quorum was present with all members in attendance.

Daniel W. Dain, Chairman – PRESENT

Sylvia Tryon Oliver, Vice – Chairman – PRESENT – via Zoom

Belinda Flores, RN, Member – PRESENT – via Zoom

Vishnu V. Reddy, M.D., Member – PRESENT

John E. Valls, M.B.A., Member – PRESENT

Mariana Garza, J.D., Member – PRESENT – via Zoom

Efrain Guerrero, Jr., Member – PRESENT

C. Confirm posting of Meeting's public notice in accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

D. Public notice is hereby given that the Board of Managers may elect to go into Closed Meeting session(s) at any time during the meeting to discuss any matter(s) listed on the agenda when so authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

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4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - Persons attending in-person and wishing to comment on any item(s) on the agenda or any subject within the Board's responsibilities must sign-in on the "Agenda Item Request to Speak" form provided at the entrance of the Board meeting room at least five (5) minutes prior to commencement of the meeting. Persons attending via audio or video conference and wishing to comment on any item(s) on the agenda or any subject within the Board's responsibilities must verbally notify the presiding officer of their desire to comment when the officer calls for public comment from those attending via audio and video conference. Commenters shall limit their comments to three (3) minutes, except that Commenters addressing the Board through a translator shall limit their comments to six (6) minutes.

No one to speak for public comment.

5. **REGULAR AGENDA** - The Regular Agenda consists of those agenda items which are non-routine, not administrative in nature, or otherwise in need of separate attention. Each Regular Agenda item will be voted upon separately if action is required:

A. Discuss and consider revising legislative agenda for 87th Texas Session. (***ACTION***)

**Motion to approve Item A, omitting pg 4, No. 2 by
Mr. Valls and seconded by Dr. Reddy.
MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Discuss and consider approval of Statement of Work (SOW) with Accenture, LLP to assist with addressing COVID-19 response planning for the 8-week term March 3, 2021 - April 21, 2021; SOW relates to strategy and planning for COVID-19 vaccine second dose scheduling, emergency operations organization reviews, digital portal/test data management - testing and assessment services, public health messaging, and COVID-19 data analytics and reporting; authorize Administrator to execute SOW and related documents. (***ACTION***)

**Motion by Dr. Reddy and seconded by Ms. Oliver.
MOTION CARRIED.**

C. Ratify Administrator's action(s) performed as part of his duties directing the affairs of the District and/or as required by the Board of Managers; duties established pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code, §281.026(e):

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1. Amendment No. 1 to Statement of Work (SOW) with Accenture, LLP extending final deliverable to March 21, 2021; SOW originally entered October 21, 2020; SOW relates to the provision of and access to proprietary and COVID-19 related data supporting identification of Nueces County's social determinants of health; SOW includes provision of cloud-based social determinants data sets and development of geographical and population-based dashboards in conjunction with Texas Health Institute. SOW accompanies Texas Department of Information Resources Contract No. DIR-TSO-4062 relating to cloud services and related services. (*ACTION*)

**Motion to approve extension through April 13, 2021
by Dr. Reddy and seconded by Mr. Valls.
MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Amendment No. 1 to Agreement with Texas Health Institute extending term to March 23, 2021; Agreement originally entered October 20, 2020; Agreement relates to provision of project management, subject matter expert, environmental and policy scan, community stakeholder engagement services, and recommendations to guide Accenture, LLP's social determinants of health dashboard framework and metrics. (*ACTION*)

**Motion to approve extension through April 13, 2021
by Dr. Reddy and seconded by Mr. Valls.
MOTION CARRIED.**

6. **CLOSED MEETING** - Public notice is hereby given that the Board of Managers may elect to go into closed meeting session(s) at any time during the meeting to discuss any matter(s) listed on the agenda, when so authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551 and the Board specifically expects to go into a closed session(s) on the matters listed below pursuant to the Act, §551.071. In the event the Board elects to go into closed session(s) regarding an agenda item(s), the section(s) of the Open Meetings Act authorizing the closed session will be publicly announced by the presiding officer. Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the Board with regard to any matter considered in closed session(s), then the final action, final decision, or final vote shall be either: (a) in the open meeting covered by the Notice upon reconvening of the public meeting; or (b) at a subsequent public meeting of the Board upon notice thereof, as the Board shall determine pursuant to applicable laws:

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- A. Consult with attorneys on matters relating to Hospital District-owned real property.
- B. Consult with attorneys on matters relating to Amended and Restated Membership Agreement between the Hospital District and CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation.
- C. Consult with attorneys on matters relating to the Professional Services Agreement between the Hospital District and The Law Office of Richard Schechter, P.C., The Lanier Law Firm, P.C., Reich & Binstock, LLP, and The Law Office of James B. Ragan and their respective team, and The Purnell Law Firm, Phipps Anderson Deacon, LLP and their respective team.

Mr. Dain called for close session at 12:53 p.m.

- 7. **OPEN MEETING** - Following the Closed Meeting, the Board of Managers will reconvene the Open Meeting prior to taking any action(s) on matters considered in the Closed Meeting or adjourning the meeting.

Mr. Dain called for open session at 1:45 p.m.

- 8. Consider final action, decision or vote on matters considered in the Closed Meeting. (***ACTION AS NEEDED***)

No Action taken.

- 9. **ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Dain. Motion by Dr Reddy and seconded by Mr. Valls. Meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

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PRESIDING OFFICER:

Daniel W. Dain, Chairman
Nueces County Hospital District

ATTEST:

Jonny F. Hipp, Secretary
Board of Managers
Nueces County Hospital District

ABSENT

Wm Dewitt Alsup, General Counsel
Nueces County Hospital District