

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION at 1:05 p.m.

President Rogers joined telephonically at 1:17 p.m.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION OF THE DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. REPORT INVOLVING TRADE SECRETS pursuant to Health & Safety Code 32106 - concerning proposed new services and facilities. Estimated date of public disclosure: March 2018
2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION pursuant to Government Code 54957 – Title: CEO

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION OF THE DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REPORT AFTER CLOSED SESSION

Jeff Scott, Legal Counsel, reported that the Board in closed session discussed the initiation of future programs, services and facilities and took no action. The Board also in closed session voted unanimously as part of the CEO's evaluation to exercise a 3-year option to extend his contract, which shall be subject to mutually agreeable terms and conditions, and neither party shall be obligated to accept any particular terms or conditions.

CEO REPORT

Herb K. Schultz, CEO reported that the discussions regarding potential funding sources for the expansion with the County are continuing. Vice-President Hazen explained that President Rogers determined in the interest of time and efficiency the Ad Hoc Expansion Committee was merged with the existing members of the Ad Hoc Facilities, Programs, and Services Committee. Vice-President Hazen and Director Matthews will continue the work of the Ad Hoc Committee and provide recommendations to the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Consideration to approve an increase to professional services performed by Pacific Health Consulting Group for the 3 Year Strategic Plan.
 - Herb K. Schultz, CEO explained that there is a protocol for approving contracts; however, with the affairs of the Strategic Planning process, the CEO neglected to follow the procedure that includes review and direction by the F&A Committee. The Board approved the initial contract; currently, there are no written procedures, but in the future, any increases in professional services will be presented to the F&A Committee. Mr. Schultz described the data survey, various needs assessments and plans for health in the Coachella Valley that required additional in-person and conference calls resulting in supplemental hours not included in the preliminary contract.

**#17-79 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Zendle and seconded by Director Wortham to approve an increase to professional services performed by Pacific Health Consulting Group for the 3 Year Strategic Plan.
Motion passed unanimously.**

Roll Call Vote:

**AYES 5 Director Zendle; Director Wortham; Director Matthews;
Vice-President Hazen; President Rogers**

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Passed 5-0

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration to approve a professional services agreement for Kaufman Hall to provide consulting services for programs and services, facilities and funding.

- Herb K. Schultz, CEO requested that the Board table the item until the next Board Meeting. As the first priority in the Strategic Plan, the work that will commence once a contract is considered is concerning the implementation of facility, programs and services throughout the Coachella Valley further explaining that more work is necessary.
- Vice-President Hazen explained that the additional work relates to defining the scope of work to ensure completion with clarity. In addition, at the approval of the Board, Vice-President Hazen stated the importance of moving forward sooner than later and requested a Special Board Meeting to approve the Kaufman Hall professional services agreement.
- Director Wortham inquired if the Board can authorize the agreement up to a certain amount to avert any delays.
- Jeff Scott, Legal Counsel explained that the CEO can authorize up to \$25,000.

**#17-80 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Zendle and seconded by Director Wortham to table the professional services agreement for Kaufman Hall to provide consulting services for programs and services, facilities and funding.
Motion passed unanimously.**

Roll Call Vote:

**AYES 5 Director Zendle; Director Wortham; Director Matthews;
Vice-President Hazen; President Rogers**

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:
Motion Passed 5-0

#17-81 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Wortham and seconded by Director Zendle to authorize up to \$25,000 under the authority of the professional services agreement for Kaufman Hall to provide consulting services for programs and services, facilities and funding until the scope of work is finalized.

Motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES **5** **Director Zendle; Director Wortham; Director Matthews;**
Vice-President Hazen; President Rogers

NOES: **0**

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Passed 5-0

2. a) Consideration to approve terminating the current 3-year lease with Dr. Himelman at Las Palmas Medical Plaza, Suite 1W 202-203.
 - Chris Christensen, CFO explained that Dr. Himelman, the current lessee is selling his practice to Dr. Bagheri. As a result, Dr. Himelman's lease will terminate and a new 5-year lease will be executed for Dr. Bagheri's practice with Cure Cardiovascular Consultants.
 - Director Zendle stated that Dr. Bagheri is an interventionist cardiologist, a member of Desert Regional Medical Center Governing Board, and he fully supports approval of the lease.
 - Vice-President Hazen inquired if the recommendations are within the standard lease terms and whether the lease would prompt an increase as part of a transfer from an old lease to a new lease.
 - Mr. Christensen explained that Dr. Himelman's lease will terminate and Dr. Bagheri will execute a new 5-year lease.
 - Director Matthews requested a motion to move to approve terminating the lease subject to the acceptance of the new 5-year lease with Cure Cardiovascular Consultants which would retain Dr. Himelman's lease as active in the event Dr. Bagheri is unable to take possession of Dr. Himelman's practice.

#17-82 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Matthews and seconded by Director Zendle to approve terminating the current 3-year lease with Dr. Himelman at Las Palmas Medical

Plaza, Suite 1W 202-203 subject to the execution of a new 5-year lease with Cure Cardiovascular Consultants, Inc.

Motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

**AYES 5 Director Zendle; Director Wortham; Director Matthews;
Vice-President Hazen; President Rogers**

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Passed 5-0

b) Consideration to approve a new 5-year lease with Cure Cardiovascular Consultants, Inc. at Las Palmas Medical Plaza, Suite 1W 202-203

#17-83 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Zendle and seconded by Director Matthews to approve a new 5-year lease with Cure Cardiovascular Consultants, Inc. at Las Palmas Medical Plaza, Suite 1W 202-203.

Motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

**AYES 5 Director Zendle; Director Wortham; Director Matthews;
Vice-President Hazen; President Rogers**

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Passed 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

ATTEST: _____

Kay Hazen, Vice-President/Secretary
Desert Healthcare District Board of Directors

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk to the Board