

**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
HOSPITAL GOVERNANCE AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
July 24, 2017**

Meeting of the Hospital Governance and Oversight Committee of the Desert Healthcare District was held in the Desert Healthcare District Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Palm Springs, CA

Attendance:

Members

Carole Rogers, RN, President
Les Zendle, MD, Chairman/Director

Absent

Staff

Herb K. Schultz, CEO
Chris Christensen, COO/CFO
Donna Craig, Senior Program Officer
Alejandro Espinoza, Program Officer and Outreach Director
Mary Pannoni, Accounting/Admin Support
Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk to the Board

Legal Counsel

Jeff Scott

Guests

Mitch Blumberg, MD, Vice Chair, Governing Board, Desert Regional Medical Center
Michele Finney, CEO, Desert Regional Medical Center
Megan Hodge, Regional Assistant, Hospital Association of Southern California
Shelley Kaplan, Councilmember, Cathedral City
Brett Klein, Clinic Marketing Specialist, Eisenhower Medical Center
Keven Porter, Regional VP, Hospital Association of Southern California

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Chairman Zendle

Guests, Staff, and Committee Members introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the June 16, 2017 Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

1. Follow-up on 2005 Decision to Close Acute Psychiatry Beds at Desert Regional Medical Center
 - i. Minutes from Special Desert Healthcare District Board Meeting 09/21/05
 - ii. Excerpts from Special Desert Healthcare District Board Meeting 09/21/05
 - iii. Motion to Trigger Dispute Resolution 09/27/05
 - iv. Settlement Agreement 09/06
- Dr. Zendle explained that the documents were provided to the Committee to demonstrate (as an educational experience) how a "dispute resolution" in the past was handled according to the process outlined in the lease. There was no further discussion on the topic.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Plans for Hospital Inspection
 - Chairman Zendle explained the process of the Desert Regional Medical Center inspection.
 - Herb K. Schultz, CEO, Desert Healthcare District detailed the Staff's conversations with experts and general consultants to assist the Committee and public with the inspection process.
 - Chairman Zendle conveyed that the consultants would make the recommendations with the Committee providing additional suggestions and ideas to fulfill the lease.
 - President Rogers referenced the Grossmont Hospital inspection that Attorney Scott provided to all in attendance at the June meeting.
 - Attorney Scott outlined the process of Grossmont Hospital's inspection process.
 - Michele Finney, CEO, Desert Regional Medical Center, inquired on the time restraints for the inspections. Attorney Scott explained that the inspections usually require approx. 2 – 4 hours.
 - Chairman Zendle explained that Staff would develop a professional services agreement, the Committee will review all the components and make the appropriate recommendations to the Board of Directors.

NEXT STEPS

- The Committee will meet the fourth Monday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNED

- The Committee adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

ATTEST: _____

Les Zendle, MD, Chair/Director Hospital Governance and Oversight Committee
Desert Healthcare District Board of Directors