

**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
PROGRAM COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2014**

Attendance:

Members

Director William Grimm, DO, Chairman
Director Kay Hazen

Staff

Kathy Greco, Chief Executive Officer
Donna Craig, Chief Grants Officer
Chris Christensen, Controller
Steve Brown, Director of Community Relations

Committee Members

Bev Greer, CEO, Stroke Recovery Center
Kim McNulty, CVEP
Allen Howe, Community Member
Joseph Pradetto, Constituent Outreach, Office of John J Benoit, 4th District Supervisor

Absent Committee Members

Matthew Keane, CEO, Community Clinic Assoc. of San Bernardino County

Guest

Carole Rogers

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Chairman Grimm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A Motion was made by Director Hazen and seconded by Committee Member Greer to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Director Hazen and seconded by Chairman Grimm to approve the minutes of November 12, 2014. Motion passed unanimously.

GRANTS

a. Outstanding Grants & Grant Payment Schedule

Director Hazen thanked the Program Committee for their efforts in approving \$22 million in grants that is working in our community. There are lots of new resources that assist with the wide range of needs in our community. Committee Pradetto added that CV Link will have a huge impact on the Coachella Valley.

b . Pending Grant Requests for Consideration

1. Grant #856 – Stroke Recovery Center – Support for Building a Service Delivery Model in the amount of \$42,900.

Ms. Greer, CEO for the Stroke Recover Center, recused herself and left the board room. Committee Members Howe and Pradetto inquired about the consultant's experience. Ms. Greco responded that The Camden Group has vast experience in technical assistance for medical and hospital groups. Ms. Carole Rogers, Director-Elect added that the previous healthcare district board on which she serviced used The Camden Group many times and they are experts in their field. Director Hazen further explained that report will identify capacity and make recommendation for organizational changes, if necessary. The report will be a 3 year business plan and should identify any costs, sources of revenue, type of structure or if the model is feasible. Director Hazen suggested verifying the deliverables with The Camden Group.

A Motion was made by Committee Member McNulty and seconded by Committee Member Howe to recommend to the Board to approve Grant # 856 to the Stroke Recovery Center in support for the Building a Service Deliver Model in the amount of \$42,900 with the verifications of the deliverable identified in the discussion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Greer returned to the board room.

DISCUSSION ITEM

a. Blue Zones – General Overview and Possible Role in the Health of the Coachella Valley.

After a brief description of a Blue Zone, Director Hazen commented that the District is already funding programs that support the Blue Zone but we are missing the cohesion. There needs to be some glue to pull all the projects/programs together.

The Committee was favorable to the objective of a Blue Zone however they had questions on how it would be funded. Ms. Greco responded that all nine cities would not begin at the same time. There could be clusters of cities, three at a time, depending on their readiness to commit and help fund the cost. Director Hazen commented that the District needs to look and investigate to see what else is out there. There is the need to bring more minds, potential partners to the table. The Committee suggested meeting with potential funders in the near future. Ms. Greco suggested forming a project team including program committee members. The final recommendation was for the Program Committee to host a presentation, by invitation only sometime in January or February and form a Blue Zone Program Team.

CEO REPORT

1. The 3Rd Grade Swim Program will begin in January.
2. The Purple Binder should be rolling out in the last week of January.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS

None.

STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.