

**DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
October 27, 2015**

A Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Desert Healthcare Foundation was held in the Arthur H. "Red" Motley Boardroom, Palm Springs, CA

Attendance:

Members

Kay Hazen - President
William Grimm, DO – Vice-President/Secretary
Mark Matthews - Treasurer
Michael Solomon, MD – Director
Carole Rogers - Director

Absent

Staff

Kathy Greco, Chief Executive Officer
Donna Craig, Chief Grants Officer
Steve Brown, Clerk to the Board

Legal Counsel

Carlos Campos

Guests

Tricia Gehrlein Clinton Health Matters Initiative

BOARD DIRECTION/FOLLOW-UP

1. List of agencies who participated in the cvHIP training
2. Board training for cvHIP

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:56 pm by President Hazen.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Hazen asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

**#15-24 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Rogers and seconded by Vice-President Grimm to approve the agenda.
Motion passed unanimously**

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Submitted for approval:

1. Board Minutes
 - a. Meeting – September 22, 2015
2. September 2015 Financial Statements

#15-25 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Matthews and seconded by Director Solomon to approve the Consent Agenda.

Before the vote Director Solomon provided a written statement with abstaining for portions of the consent agenda.*

“Director Solomon requested this be included in the minutes regarding the approval of the Consent Agenda:

California Health & Safety Code Section 32121, subparagraph (j) tells the Board of Directors how it can spend taxpayer’s money. This law requires us to *only* spend taxpayer’s money on programs or purposes that are “for the benefit of the district and the people served by the district”. This means we can only spend district money on programs that *primarily* serve the people who live within the district and pay district taxes.

With regard to pages 16-37 of our Board packet, all money granted to the Desert Healthcare Foundation from the Desert Healthcare District, with the exception of those earmarked for the Hospital’s collective fund, are therefore illegal.

These expenditures, which are listed in the Consent Agenda and the Grant Payment Schedule on page 71 of our Board packet, are illegal because they are not “for the benefit of the district and the people served by the district” because they do not *primarily* serve or benefit the people who live within the Desert Healthcare District. Therefore by definition these expenditures are not only wrong but they are illegal. Our staff and our CEO should have never recommended them and our Attorney should be counseling us against them.

I Therefore abstain from approving those specific items because they are illegal and would ask that my concerns be duly noted in the minutes of this meeting. I urge each of the members of this Board to do the same.

I also abstain from any and all financial action approval for any item in our packet regarding either the Healthcare District or the Healthcare Foundation and Borrego Health Systems.”

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Director Rogers; Director Matthews; Vice-President Grimm

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 2*Director Solomon per the abstention above

President Hazen – only for the minutes of 9/22/15 since she was not at the meeting

ABSENT: 0

Motion passed 5 -0 except for partial abstentions noted above

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

1. There was no Finance & Administration Committee Meeting in October.

OLD BUSINESS

1. cvHIP Update

Ms. Greco reported that The Purple Binder held a hands-on cvHIP training at the UCR Palm Desert Campus for 80 participants over a 3 day period. Two trainings were for general use of the portal and one session added the clinical platform. A "closing the loop" program is available with the clinical platform which provides communications between the clinical agency and referrals. This closes the loop for the follow-up so the clinics know the client has contacted the referral. One hundred percent of the clinical attendees were interested in that addition to cvHIP. The next phase of the portal will be mapping the data to merge with the need. Alejandro Espinoza is the point person at the District for cvHIP. He suggested having a kiosk with access to the cvHIP in such places as clinics, educational institutions and libraries. Currently the availability to use cvHIP has been directed to our community partners and by word of mouth. Ms. Greco recommended that the cvHIP Request for Proposals (RFP) subcommittee, Director Rogers and Director Matthews should schedule a meeting to outline the criteria for the RFP.

2. "Ready, Set, Swim" Program Status

Ms. Greco reported that the 2015-2016 swim program began in the beginning of October. Enrollment and enthusiasm is strong. The 3rd grade program is in all Palm Springs Unified School Districts, except two, because of the distance to either swim sites. The program is being held at the Furbee Aquatic Center in coordination with the Boys & Girls Club of the Coachella Valley – Desert Hot Springs Club and with the Boys & Girls Club of Palm Springs, which has its own pool.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS & REPORTS

1. Director Rogers' Report on the 2015 Alliance for a Healthier Generation Leaders' Summit
Director Rogers reviewed her written report which was included in the packet.

CEO REPORT

No report was given.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 pm.

ATTEST: _____

William Grimm, DO
Desert Healthcare Foundation Board of Directors

Minutes respectfully submitted by Steve Brown, Clerk of the Board