



MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES HEALTHCARE DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

“Special” BOARD MEETING

October 11, 2023

Trinity Public Utilities District

Weaverville CA

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS

JENNIFER FLINT  
Member

PAUL CATANESE  
Vice President

DERO FORSLUND  
President

PAUL HAUSER  
Treasurer

SHEREE BEANS  
Clerk

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Note: These minutes contain a description for each item to be considered. Supporting documentation is available in the public packet at the Board meeting or at the Administrative Office at Trinity Hospital.

District Board Members Present:

Dero Forslund, President

Paul Hauser, Treasurer

Sheree Beans, Clerk

Jennifer Flint

District Board Members Absent:

Paul Catanese, Vice President

Staff Present:

Aaron Rogers, CEO

Jennifer Van Matre, Chief Financial Officer

Belen Manybanseng, Chief Nursing Officer

Elizabeth McGruder, Chief Human Resources Officer

Scott Simpson, Quality Coordinator

Kelly Simpson, Director of Revenue

Vicki Williams, Director of Ancillary Services

Kevin Livengood, Director of Pharmacy

Rebecca Glandon, Executive Assistant

8:30 AM CALLS MEETING TO ORDER IN OPEN SESSION

Report from Closed Session on September 6, 2023

Closed Session September 6, 2023

The Board entered into closed session at 09:17 am on the following:

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)
- MEDICAL STAFF PRIVILEGES  
Government Code Section 54962; Health and Safety Code  
Section 1461

Appointments

Aldric Shim, MD

Salar Hakham, MD

Victor Shi, MD

Reappointments

Allen Mendez, MD  
Barbara Wertz, CRNA  
Carment DiBenedetto

- PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION  
Government Code Section 54957(b)  
Chief Executive Officer

**Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene in Public Session**

The Board came out of Closed Session at 10:09 am and immediately reconvened in Open Session.

President Forslund reported that information was reviewed regarding anticipated litigation.

President Forslund reported that the Board reviewed the recommended actions on Medical Staff Privileges.

On motion of Director Hauser seconded by Director Flint approves the following reappointments and resignations upon the recommendation from the Medical Staff.

Appointments

Aldric Shim, MD  
Salar Hakham, MD  
Victor Shi, MD

Reappointments

Allen Mendez, MD  
Barbara Wertz, CRNA  
Carment DiBenedetto

The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes: Dero Forslund; Paul Catanese; Paul Hauser; Sheree Beans; Jennifer Flint;  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**Public Input** – None

**Reports**

Medical Staff Report

Received written/verbal report from Daniel Harwood, MD/Donald Krouse, MD on the current issues regarding Medical Staff. Additional items discussed:

We have a new physician, Orna Gil, MD, providing women's health services at Trinity Community Health Clinic. She was given temporary privileges as we work through the appointment process.

Chief Executive Officer

Received written/verbal report from Aaron Rogers, CEO on the current operations of the hospital.

Chief Financial Officer

Received written/verbal report from Jennifer Van Matre, Chief Financial Officer, on the current financial status and current status of revenue cycle management and accounts receivable.

Chief Nursing Officer

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Received written report from Belen Manybanseng, RN, CNO on the current status of the nursing departments.

Quality Improvement

Received written/verbal report from Scott Simpson, Quality Coordinator, on the current status of the quality program.

Information Technology

Received written/verbal report from Jake Odom, Chief Information Officer on the current status of the Information Technology Department. Additional items discussed: Our IT department is helping the Ambulance department work through a virus they received on their TCLS email server.

**Consent Agenda**

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda, are considered by the Board to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request for discussion is made prior to the time the Board votes on the motion to approve.

On motion of Director Hauser seconded by Director Beans approves the following consent items:

- a. Minutes From September 6, 2023
- b. Policies

The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes: Dero Forslund; Paul Hauser; Jennifer Flint; Sheree Beans  
Noes: None  
Absent: Paul Catanese  
Abstain: None

**Discussion Items**

- a. Update on Pending Capital Projects

Aaron Rogers reported on the following:

Boiler Project – No changes at this time.

Seismic Project- No changes at this time.

Radiology Project-We expect the project to be finalized with HCAI within 4 weeks.

- b. An update was provided by CEO Aaron Rogers regarding the Ambulance Services Department. The department is going fairly well. Aaron is helping with discussions regarding management transition.

**Action Items**

Items removed from the Consent Agenda

None

- a. Approve purchase of an ambulance cot for \$29,284.88.

On motion of Director Hauser seconded by Director Flint approves purchase of an ambulance cot for \$29,284.88.

The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes: Dero Forslund; Paul Hauser; Sheree Beans; Jennifer Flint  
Noes: None  
Absent: Paul Catanese  
Abstain: None

- c. Approve purchase of 5 printer/copiers totaling \$31,835.54.

On motion of Director Hauser seconded by Director Beans approves purchase of 5 printer/copiers totaling \$31,835.54.

The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes: Dero Forslund; Paul Hauser; Sheree Beans; Jennifer Flint  
Noes: None  
Absent: Paul Catanese  
Abstain: None

**Board Reports**

None

**Close Public Session**

The Board closed the public session at 09:08 am.

**Closed Session**

The Board entered into closed session at 09:10 am on the following:

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
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Government Code Section 54962; Health and Safety Code  
Section 1461

Appointments

Julie Roselli, CRNA  
Maximilian Cho, MD  
Branden Garcia, MD  
Marie Guthrie, FNP

Reappointments

Chad Smith, MD  
Scott Beer, CRNA

**Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene in Public Session**

The Board came out of Closed Session at 10:06 am and immediately reconvened in Open Session.

President Forslund reported that information was reviewed regarding anticipated litigation and the Board of Directors provided Aaron Rogers, CEO with direction.

President Forslund reported that the Board reviewed the recommended actions on Medical Staff Privileges. For each applicant the following information has been reviewed and/or verified: Privilege List, NPDB Report, and AMA Profile, peer references and verifications of staff privileges at other facility and ongoing professional practice evaluations. Items verified were Liability Insurance Coverage, Licenses, Certifications, and the Medicare exclusion list was checked.

On a motion of Director Hauser seconded by Director Flint approves the following appointments/reappointments/additional privileges to the Medical Staff.

Appointments

Julie Roselli, CRNA  
Maximilian Cho, MD  
Branden Garcia, MD  
Marie Guthrie, FNP

Reappointments

Chad Smith, MD  
Scott Beer, CRNA

The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes: Dero Forslund; Paul Hauser; Sheree Beans; Jennifer Flint  
Noes: None  
Absent: Paul Catanese  
Abstain: None

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am.

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Sheree Beans, Clerk of the Board  
Mountain Communities Healthcare District