

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MONTGOMERY COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Montgomery County Hospital District was duly convened at 4:00 p.m., February 22, 2022 in the Administrative offices of the Montgomery County Hospital District, 1400 South Loop 336 West, Conroe, Montgomery County, Texas.

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Invocation

Led by Mr. Grice

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mr. Bagley

4. Roll Call

Present:

Justin Chance
Brent Thor
Sandy Wagner
Georgette Whatley
Brad Spratt
Chris Grice
Bob Bagley

5. Public Comment

No one made a comment from the public.

6. Special Recognition

Field - Nikki Buchanan and Chelsie Bilger

7. Consider and take action on the annual election of Board officers. (Ms. Whatley, Chairperson – MCHD Board)

Chair Georgette Whatley called for nominations from the board for Chairperson for 2022. Mrs. Wagner nominated Ms. Whatley as Chairperson. Mr. Spratt nominated Mr. Grice as Chairperson. Mr. Chance nominated Mr. Bagley as Chairperson.

Ms. Whatley then called for a vote for Chairperson. Two votes were cast for Ms. Whatley. (Mrs. Wagner and Ms. Whatley) Two votes were cast for Mr. Grice. (Mr. Spratt and Mr. Grice) Three votes were cast for Mr. Bagley. (Mr. Chance, Mr. Thor and Mr. Bagley) It was declared that no person had received a majority vote for Chairperson.

Larry Foerster, MCHD Legal Counsel, advised that there must a winner by a majority vote, which is four votes cast for one candidate. He advised that the By-Laws do not address a 2-2-3 split, so his recommendation was to vote on the tie breaker between Ms. Whatley and Mr. Grice who each received two votes.. The board would then cast its vote for Chairman between the winner of the tie-breaker and Mr. Bagley.

Thereupon, Ms. Whatley withdrew her name for consideration as Chairperson. Upon Ms. Whatley's withdrawal, a second vote was called for Chairperson. Mr. Grice received four votes for Chairperson (Mrs. Wagner, Ms. Whatley, Mr. Spratt and Mr. Grice). Mr. Bagley received three votes (Mr. Chance, Mr. Thor, and Mr. Bagley). Mr. Grice was declared the winner by a vote of four to three. Ms. Whatley then handed over control of the board meeting to Mr. Grice.

Nominations for Vice-Chairman were requested. Mr. Chance nominated Mr. Bagley as Vice-Chairman. There was no other nomination, and Mr. Bagley was elected Vice-Chair with a unanimous vote.

Nominations for Treasurer were requested. Mr. Chance nominated Mr. Spratt as Treasurer and Mr. Bagley nominated Ms. Whatley as Treasurer. There were no other nominations, and Mr. Spratt was elected Treasurer by a unanimous vote.

Nominations for Secretary were requested. Mr. Chance nominated Mrs. Wagner as Secretary. There were no other nominations for Secretary, and Mrs. Wagner was elected Secretary by unanimous vote.

8. CEO Report to include update on District operations, strategic plan, capital purchases, employee issues and benefits, transition plans and other healthcare matters, grants and any other related district matters.

Mr. Randy Johnson, CEO presented a report to the board.

9. Consider and act on the proposed 3.5% COLA increase. (Mr. Chance, Chair – Personnel Committee)

"Mr. Grice stated for the record that Mr. Spratt left the boardroom at 4:18 p.m."

Mr. Brett Allen, CFO presented the requested information on the proposed 3.5% COLA increase to the board.

Mr. Chance made a motion to consider and act on the proposed 3.5% COLA increase with a start date of March 13, 2022. Mr. Thor offered a second. After board discussion motion passed unanimously

"Mr. Grice stated for the record that Mr. Spratt returned to the boardroom at 4:20 p.m."

10. Consider and act on pay scale adjustment in conjunction with COLA increase. (Mr. Chance, Chair – Personnel Committee)

Mr. Chance made a motion to consider and act on pay scale adjustment in conjunction with COLA increase. Mr. Thor offered a second and motion passed unanimously.

11. Consider and act on the observance of the Juneteenth National Independence Day. (Ms. Whatley, Chairperson – MCHD Board)

Randy Johnson, CEO gave an update of options for Juneteenth National Independence Day.

Mr. Grice made a motion to consider and act on the observance of the Juneteenth National Independence Day. Mr. Chance offered a second.

Mr. Chance offered an amendment for the board to accept staff's recommendation of option one, in which MCHD will recognize Juneteenth as a National Holiday with no holiday pay for staff. MCHD Staff will be eligible to take their own PTO if they are wanting to take the day off. Mr. Grice offered a second. After board discussion motion passed unanimously.

- 12. Chief of EMS Report to include updates on EMS staffing, performance measures, staff activities, patient concerns, transport destinations, emergency preparedness and fleet.**

Mr. James Campbell, EMS Chief presented the EMS report to the board.

- 13. EMS Advisory Committee update. (Mr. Thor, Chair – EMS Committee)**

Mr. Scott Pelczar, Chairman of EMS Committee gave a brief update on the EMS Advisory Committee to the board.

- 14. COO Report to include updates on facilities, radio system, materials management, staff activities, community paramedicine, and IT.**

Mrs. Melissa Miller, COO presented a report to the board.

- 15. Consider and act on approval of corrected invoices for CAD and MCHD annual renewals with CentralSquare. (Mr. Spratt, Chair – PADCOM Committee)**

Mr. Spratt made a motion to consider and act on approval of corrected invoices for CAD and MCHD annual renewals with CentralSquare. Mr. Thor offered a second and motion passed unanimously.

- 16. Consider and act on annual GIS services contract for CAD operations. (Mr. Spratt, Chair – PADCOM Committee)**

Mr. Grice made a motion to consider and act on annual GIS services contract for CAD operations. Mr. Chance offered a second offered a second and motion passed unanimously.

- 17. Health Care Services Report to include regulatory update, outreach, eligibility, service, utilization, community education, clinical services, epidemiology, and emergency preparedness.**

Mrs. Ade Moronkeji, HCAP Manager presented the HCAP report to the board.

- 18. Consider and act on Healthcare Assistance Program claims from Non-Medicaid 1115 Waiver providers. (Mrs. Wagner, Chair-Indigent Care Committee)**

Mrs. Wagner made a motion to consider and act on Healthcare Assistance Program claims from Non-Medicaid 1115 Waiver providers. Mr. Thor offered a second and motion passed unanimously.

- 19. Consider and act on ratification of voluntary contributions to the Medicaid 1115 Waiver program of Healthcare Assistance Program claims. (Mrs. Wagner, Chair – Indigent Care Committee)**

Mrs. Wagner made a motion to consider and act on ratification of voluntary contributions to the Medicaid 1115 Waiver program of Healthcare Assistance Program claims. Mr. Chance offered a second and motion passed unanimously.

- 20. Presentation of preliminary Financial Report for four months ended, January 31, 2021 – Brett Allen, CFO, report to include Financial Summary, Financial Statements, Supplemental EMS Billing Information, and Supplemental Schedules.**

Mr. Brett Allen, CFO presented the financial report to the board.

21. Consider and act on Valley View Agreement. (Mr. Grice, Treasurer – MCHD Board)

Mr. Grice made a motion to consider and act on Valley View Agreement. Mr. Spratt offered a second. After board discussion motion passed unanimously.

22. Consider and act on ratification of Harris County Department of Education agreement from March/2009. (Ms. Whatley, Chairperson MCHD Board)

Mr. Grice made a motion to consider and act on ratification of Harris County Department of Education agreement from March/2009. Mr. Chance offered a second motion and passed unanimously.

23. Consider and act upon recommendation for amendment(s) to the budget for fiscal year ending September 30, 2022. (Mr. Grice, Treasurer - MCHD Board)

Mr. Grice made a motion to consider and act upon recommendation for amendment(s) to the budget for fiscal year ending September 30, 2022. Mr. Chance offered a second motion passed unanimously.

24. Consider and act on ratification payment of District invoices. (Mr. Grice, Treasurer – MCHD Board)

Mr. Spratt made a motion to consider and act on ratification of payment of District invoices. Mr. Chance offered a second and motion passed unanimously.

25. Consider and act on Salvage and Surplus. (Mr. Grice, Treasurer – MCHD Board) (attached)

Mr. Spratt made a motion to consider and act on Salvage and Surplus. Mr. Chance offered a second and motion passed unanimously.

26. Secretary's Report – January 25, 2022 MCHD Regular BOD meeting. (Mrs. Wagner, Secretary – MCHD Board)

Mrs. Wagner made a motion to consider and act on the minutes for January 25, 2022 MCHD Regular BOD meeting. Mr. Chance offered a second and motion passed. Mr. Grice and Mr. Thor abstained from vote.

27. Convene into executive session pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act to deliberate in closed session on the following matters authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act:

- **To discuss and take action if needed on real estate under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code. (Ms. Whatley, Chairperson – MCHD Board)**
- **To confer with legal counsel for the District concerning present and potential litigation and other confidential legal matters under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code. (Ms. Whatley, Chairperson – MCHD Board)**
- **To discuss and take action if needed on personnel issues involving the chief executive officer under Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code. (Ms. Whatley, Chairperson – MCHD Board)**

Mr. Grice advised that no executive session would be needed for this meeting.

28. Reconvene into open session and take action, if necessary, on matters discussed in closed executive session. (Ms. Whatley, Chairperson – MCHD Board)

Not applicable.

29. Adjourn.

The board adjourned at 4:43 p.m.



Sandy Wagner, Secretary