

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SEQUOIA HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
April 1, 2015
Conference Room, 525 Veterans Boulevard
Redwood City, CA 94063**

Directors Present

Director Faro
Director Griffin
Director Hickey
Director Shefren

Directors Unexcused

Director Kane

Also Present

Mr. Michelson, CEO
Mr. Hudak, Legal Counsel
Ms. Johnson, Recorder

1. Call to Order

By: President Faro

Time: 4:30pm

2. Public Comment/Non-Agenda Items

President Faro asked if there was any public comment on non-agenda items. He thanked Director Shefren for his time as serving as Board President.

President Faro announced that public comment will be taken on each agenda item.

3.a. - 3.b. Consent Calendar

President Faro asked if there was any public comment on the Consent Calendar.

Director Hickey requested that the financial statements be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Motion: To approve the minutes, agenda item 3.a of the Consent Calendar.

By: Director Shefren

Seconded by: Director Griffin

Vote: 3-0-1

Motion Passed

Director Hickey questioned a line item on the balance sheet. Mr. Michelson explained it was a reimbursement for an overpayment to an employee on disability.

Motion: To approve agenda item 3.b, January and February financial statements.

By: Director Shefren

Seconded by: Director Griffin

Vote: 3-0-1

Motion Passed

4. CEO Report

President Faro asked if there was any public comment on the CEO or staff reports. There was none.

Mr. Michelson reported that the District was the recipient of StarVista's Visionary award. He also announced the dates of ACHD's Legislative Days and Annual Meeting.

Apple Tree Dental will be presenting a performance report to the Board in either August or October.

Healthy Schools Initiative/Community Grants: Ms. Kurtzman reported that several hundred people attended the annual Healthy School Summit in San Carlos.

Final applications are due for Community Grants and the committee's recommendation will be presented at the special Board meeting on May 13.

Healthy School Grants/PE+: Ms. Gabet told the Board that she is continuing to work with grant recipients. As a separate project, she has been working with St. Anthony de Padua and they have agreed to remove some of the less nutritious dessert items from their pantry offerings and downsize the serving portions.

HeartSafe: Mr. Nielsen announced that the March 22nd cardio screening event at Sequoia High School was a huge success. Out of 621 kids screened, four were identified with abnormalities and referred to private physicians for further testing.

5.a. Grant Request From Ravenswood Family Health Center for \$750,000 a year for three years of funding July 1, 2015-June 30, 2018

President Faro asked if there was public comment on this item. There was none.

The current cost for RFHC to provide comprehensive health care to District residents is \$4.4 million of which \$1.8 million is to uninsured District residents. Ms. Luisa Bauda presented an overview of several of the proposed grant objectives: increasing the number of district resident patients; providing access to pharmacy and podiatry services; and achieving level three patient centered medical home accreditation.

In response to a question from Director Hickey, Ms. Bauda stated that Ravenswood uses zip codes to identify District residents. Director Hickey disputed the accuracy of tracking with zip code. Mr. Michelson responded that the grant amount Ravenswood is requesting covers a relatively small portion of the total cost of care for District residents. He will work with Ravenswood to more accurately track the number of District resident patients.

Motion: To approve a grant of \$750,000 a year for three years starting July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018.

By: Director Griffin

Seconded by: President Faro

Director Shefren suggested that fully funding the request based on goals is too aggressive and asked that the motion be amended to provide \$700,000 in years one and two and review after one year.

Director Griffin and Director Faro agreed to amending the motion for a two year grant of \$700,000 for 2015-16 with the second year 2016-17 dependent upon Ravenswood meeting their service goals

Vote: 3-1-1 with Director Hickey opposed

Motion Passed

5.b. Request From Samaritan House for Three Years of Funding 2015-16 \$663,000; 2016-17 \$683,000 and 2017-18 \$703,000 plus one-time funding for building alterations of \$53,000 and mental Health planning of \$35,000

President Faro asked if there was public comment on this item. There was none.

Director Shefren announced that he is currently volunteering at Samaritan House and will therefore recuse himself from this discussion and vote and he left the room.

Dr. Jason Wong, Medical Director of Samaritan House Free Clinic of Redwood City updated the Board on clinic operations. Executive Director, Bart Charlow, reported that the three year grant funds will allow for a facility upgrade, redi-care clinics that will take care to where the patients are, care coordination, a food pharmacy and nutritional education.

Mr. Charlow stressed that even with the inception of the Affordable Care Act there are approximately 74,000 San Mateo County residents who are not able to access health care and are ineligible for any type of coverage. Samaritan House is their safety net.

Motion: To approve the one-time grant request for \$52,537 and the mental health one year request of \$35,000 and an operations grant for two years 2015-2017.

By: President Faro

At this point in the meeting, Director Hickey announced that he was leaving the room and there would no longer be a quorum present to vote on this request.

The item is considered tabled.

Director Shefren returned to the meeting.

5.c. Report on new projects from San Mateo Medical Center

President Faro asked if there was public comment on this item. There was none.

Dr. Susan Ehrlich thanked the Board for its support of \$17.5 million over the past 7 years. The presentation today is to provide background on new SMMC projects. She discussed the proposed expansion of the Ron Robinson Senior Care Center to provide comprehensive care for older adults at a new satellite facility at the Fair Oaks Health Center. She also expressed interest in establishing a transition from hospital to home program. The Keller Center for Family Violence Intervention would receive assistance providing additional community outreach. The center is a critical community and regional resource.

Dr. Ehrlich would like to return at a later meeting to present a formal grant request for \$1 million a year for three years to support these programs.

5.d. Report on Sequoia 70 from Peninsula Family Services

President Faro asked if there was public comment on this item. There was none.

Mr. Croce previewed a proposal for the design and development phase of Sequoia 70: Healthy Living in the Third Age. The goals and objectives of the program are to assist older adults age 70 and over to connect to existing community services to improve their health and wellness, maintain independence, stay in their own homes and reduce the burden on emergency, medical and public services. Mr. Croce reported that a formal grant request for \$82,000 will be presented to the Board at a later meeting to fund the design and development of the program. Director Shefren noted that this project was initiated by the District to partner with Peninsula Family Services.

5.e. Development Agreement Subcommittee Report

President Faro asked if there was public comment on this item. There was none.

Director Shefren reported that he, Director Griffin and Mr. Michelson recently met with Glenna Vaskelis, Michael Blaszyk and Kim Osbourne to discuss how they think Dignity's new relationship with Palo Alto Medical Foundation will impact the transfer agreement and Sequoia's revenues. The same group is to meet with the subcommittee again on April 3rd and indicated they will provide more information on the PAMF contract and expected performance impact but only verbally. The Board can then consider next steps.

5.f. Director Requests for Future Agenda Items

President Faro asked if any Director had an agenda item request.

Director Shefren would like to see a discussion of a board member who intentionally leaves during a meeting to prevent a vote and if that is a violation of the director's oath of office

and consider Board condemnation of such conduct.

Director Griffin seconded the motion and the item will be on the agenda for the next regular meeting.

Director Hickey asked that an action item be added to research the Sequoia Healthcare District email link on the website to allow reply from the SHD address rather than his personal email address. President Faro stated that this does not need to be an agenda item and asked Mr. Michelson to research if this can be done and report back to the Board.

6. Adjourn to Closed Session

Adjourn to Closed Session Pursuant To Government Code Section 54956.8: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property: 525 Veterans Avenue, Redwood City, California
Agency Negotiator: Lee Michelson
Negotiating Party: Barry Swenson Builder
Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

7. Reconvene to Open Session

Reconvene to Open Session. There was no reportable action taken in closed session.

8. Adjourn

Motion: At 6:30 adjourn meeting.

By: President Faro

Seconded by: Director Griffin

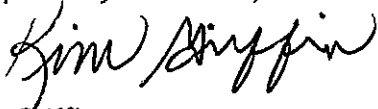
All in favor

Motion Passed

A Special Meeting of the Board is scheduled for 4:30, Wednesday, May 13, 2015 to review the Community Grants requests and other topics including an end of school year report on the Healthy School Initiative.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Sequoia Healthcare District is scheduled for 4:30 PM, Wednesday, June 3, 2015, District Conference Room, 525 Veterans Blvd., Redwood City, CA.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kim Griffin
Secretary