

**Tulare Local Healthcare District
Board of Directors Meeting – MINUTES
Wednesday, July 26, 2023, 6:00 PM
Administrative Offices, Modular Building
842 N. Gem Street
(Northeast corner of Terrace and Gem Street)**

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Tulare Local Healthcare District Board Members:

Kevin Northcraft	President	District 4
Mike Jamaica	Vice President	District 2
Xavier J. Avila	Secretary	District 5
Jevon Price	Treasurer	District 3
Kathy Nesper	Director	District 1

- 1. Call to Order**

President Kevin Northcraft called the meeting to order at 6:04PM with all directors present.
- 2. Public Comment**
- 3. Announcements**

Director Nesper announced a meeting with the wife of former TLHD Director candidate Pedro Martinez and their interest in a better connection to the Tulare hospital. Director Jevon recognized the 33rd Anniversary of the American with Disabilities Act. Director Jamaica wished Director Avila a belated Happy Birthday.
- 4. Consent Agenda**

Approval of the minutes from June 28, 2023, was motioned by Xavier Avila and seconded by Jevon Price. Motion carried 4-0-1, with Director Nesper abstaining.
- 5. Introduction of Dr. Jonna Schengel, Ed.D., and discussion regarding College of the Sequoia's nursing program**

Dr. Jonna Schengel, Ed.D., Dean, CTE & Workforce Development, Nursing & Allied Health, College of the Sequoias, and Lori Morton, Director, Tulare Adult School provided the Board with information about their health-related programs.
- 6. Presentation from Marsh McLennan – Insurance Coverage**

Representatives from Marsh McLellan answered questions about the District's insurance renewal policies.
- 7. Finance Committee Update**

Randy Dodd presented the Financial Reports for the month ending June 30, 2023. A motion to approve was made by Director Avila and seconded by Director Price. Motion carried 5-0.
- 8. Tulare Hospital and Community Health Foundation Update – Jan Smith, Director of Philanthropy**

Marmie Fidler provided the Board with an update in Jan's absence.
- 9. Adventist Health Tulare Update – Sheri Pereira, Site Administrator**

No report was provided.

10. **Evolutions Fitness & Wellness Center – Jayne Pressnell, Executive Director**
Executive Director for Evolutions, Jayne Pressnell provided the Board with an update on Evolutions operations.

11. **Discussion and Possible Action to authorize the purchase of Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning systems for Evolutions Plaza**
Motion to approve the BMI proposal for the RTU 1 – 40 Ton & RTU 3 – 30 Ton units was made by Xavier Avila and seconded by Mike Jamaica. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion to approve the BMI proposal for the additional 6 units (ACCU-1 EVO Child Care 5 ton, ACCU-6 EVO Intensity Room 4 ton, ACCU-7 EVO Intensity Room 4 ton, ACCU-2 Barber 4 ton, ACCU-3 EVO Room A-B 4 ton, ACCU-5 Surgeon 7.5 ton) was made by Xavier Avila and seconded by Mike Jamaica. Motion carried 5-0.

12. **Chief Executive Officer Report**
CEO, Randy Dodd provided the Board with an update on conversations with Adventist Health, anticipated dates for concrete and asphalt near the Tower, the inclusion of the Bereavement Policy in the Employee Handbook, and the timing of the Evolutions solar project.

13. **Closed Session**
 - a. Potential Litigation (*pursuant to Govt. Code § 54956.9*) (one item).
 - b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing litigation (*pursuant to Govt. Code § 54956.9*):
 - i. Tulare Local Healthcare District v. Bruce R. Greene, et al., Superior Court for the State of California, County of Kern, Case No. BCV-19-103514.
 - ii. The People of the State of California v. Dr. Yorai Benzeevi et al., Superior Court for the State of California, County of Tulare, Case No. VCF401053A/B/C.
 - c. Discussion and Potential Action regarding public employee evaluation/CEO Performance Review for Fiscal Year End 6/30/2023 (*pursuant to Govt. Code § 54957(b)(1)*).
 - d. End Closed Session.

14. **Reconvene Open Session – Public Report of Action Taken in Closed Session (If Necessary) pursuant to Government Code 54957.1.**
There were no items to report from Closed Session.

15. **Adjournment – Next regular meeting is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Wednesday, August 23, 2023, at the Administrative Offices, Modular Building, Northeast corner of Terrace and Gem Street.**