

**Tulare Local Healthcare District
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, January 24th, 2024, 6:00 PM
Administrative Offices, Modular Building
842 N. Gem Street
(Northeast corner of Terrace and Gem Street)**

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MINUTES

January 24th, 2024

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 6:04 PM with Directors Jamaica, Avila, and Price present. Director Nesper later joined as an audience member via zoom and was recorded as “absent” for all votes.

2) Public Comment

Comments made by Alberto Aguilar and Paul Atlas, discussion occurred.

3) Announcements – Board

Director Price announced that he will be participating in the Health Fair scheduled for February 3, 2024 and invited all to attend.

Director Avila expressed positive feedback regarding the recent activities of Adventist Health Tulare under its new leadership. He also made a recommendation to the Board members to seek additional information on *Fresno County, California, Measure E, California State University Fresno Programs and Facilities Sales Tax Initiative*, and expressed interest in supporting the initiative.

Director Jamaica wished all in attendance a Happy New Year and expressed optimism for the year ahead.

Director Northcraft expressed appreciation for Jason Well’s contributions to the Leadership Tulare educational event hosted by the District on January 18, 2024. He also wished Director Avila well on his election campaign.

4) Approval of 11/29/23 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Approval of the minutes from November 29, 2023, was motioned by Jevon Price, and seconded by Xavier Avila. Motion carried 3-0-1-1 (*Yes-No-Abstentions-Absent*). Director Jamaica abstained as he was not present for the November 29, 2023, meeting.

5) Adventist Health Tulare Update – Jason Wells, President, Central California Network

This agenda item was deferred to later in the meeting, after agenda item 13, due to Mr. Well’s availability. Jason Wells provided an update regarding the recent activity of Adventist Health Tulare. He acknowledged the opportunity and need for care in the community and expressed enthusiasm regarding the recently renewed collaboration between the executive leadership of Adventist Health Tulare and the Tulare Local Healthcare District.

6) Tulare Hospital & Community Health Foundation Update – Jan Smith, Executive Director

No update given.

7) Evolutions Fitness & Wellness Center Update – Jayne Presnell, Executive Director

Elaine Carrasco informed the Board of the recent expansion of Evolution’s contract with the Silver Sneakers Program with the addition of a new policy and provided updates on recent activities and events at Evolutions.

8) Finance Committee Update

Randy Dodd presented the December 2023 financials. Motion to approve was made by Jevon Price and seconded by Mike Jamaica. Motion carried 4-0-0-1 (*Yes-No-Abstentions-Absent*).

9) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve FY 2023-2024 Budget Adjustments

Randy Dodd presented proposed adjustments to the FY 2023-2024 Budget. Motion to approve was made by Xavier Avila and seconded by Jevon Price. Motion carried 4-0-0-1 (*Yes-No-Abstentions-Absent*).

10) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Resolution 921, Addition of Eva Edge, Administrative Director, as banking signatory

Randy Dodd presented Resolution 921 and discussion occurred regarding the need to confirm Bond coverage. Motion to approve Resolution 921 pending confirmation of Bonding was made by Xavier Avila and seconded by Jevon Price. Motion carried 4-0-0-1 (*Yes-No-Abstentions-Absent*).

11) Tower Construction Proposal – Randy Dodd, CEO

Randy Dodd presented a proposed plan for Tower construction, which would potentially facilitate completion of the basement, first and second floors of the Tower if the District chooses to pursue.

12) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Resolution 920, Declaration and Official Intent and Reimbursement – Presented by Wulff, Hansen & Co.

Resolution 920 was presented and discussed. Motion to approve was made by Xavier Avila and seconded by Mike Jamaica. Motion carried 3-1-0-1 (*Yes-No-Abstentions-Absent*).

13) Administrative Director Report

Eva Edge reported on the list of updates to the Board, including discussion regarding:

- a) Web Site and Social Media Update
- b) Hero Health & Wellness Update
- c) EMD Best Practice Review
- d) Additional Updates as Desired by Board or Noted by Staff

14) Chief Executive Officer Report

Randy Dodd reported on the list of updates to the Board, including discussion regarding:

- a) Property Management & Construction Update
 - i) Leases
 - ii) Property Repairs Update
 - (1) Fugazzi's HVAC
 - iii) Sale/Use of Properties Update
 - (1) Potential move of District Office to Evolutions Plaza
 - iv) Project Updates
 - (1) Asphalt and Concrete Update for Tower parking lot
 - (2) Engie Solar for Evolutions Fitness & Wellness Center
 - (3) Ongoing Tower Construction Projects
- b) Fourth Quarter 2023 Accomplishments
- c) Ongoing conversations and planning with Adventist Health
- d) Additional Project Updates as Desired by Board or Noted by Staff

15) Bar Complaint Update re: Bruce Greene – Jason Howard, General Counsel

Jason Howard provided an update on the Bar Complaint against Bruce Greene.

16) Conclude Open Session

17) 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; Baker & Hostetler, LLP; Parmod Kumar; Linda Wilbourn; and Richard Torrez, Superior Court for the State of California, County of Kern, Case No. BCV-19-103514.
 - ii) The People of the State of California v. Yorai Benzeevi; Alan W. Germany; and Bruce R. Greene, Superior Court for the State of California, County of Tulare, Case No. VCF401053A/B/C.
- c) Instructions to designated representative (Kevin Northcraft) related to sale of real property at the Tulare Medical Center, parcel number 23 (pursuant to Govt. Code § 54956.8)

18) End Closed Session

19) Reconvene Open Session – Public Report of Action Taken in Closed Session (If Necessary) pursuant to Government Code 54957.1.

Kevin Northcraft reported action taken on closed session item (17.B.i): Approval of settlement agreement with Linda Wilbourn. Motion carried 4-0-0-1 (*Yes-No-Abstentions-Absent*). Agreement Attached.

20) Adjournment – Next regular meeting is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at the Administrative Offices, Modular Building, Northeast corner of Terrace and Gem Street.