



**DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
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May 25, 2021**

Directors Present – Video Conference	District Staff Present – Video Conference	Absent
President Leticia De Lara Vice-President/Secretary Karen Borja Director Arthur Shorr Director Carole Rogers, RN Director Les Zendle, MD Director Evett PerezGil Director Carmina Zavala	Conrado E. Bázquez, MD, CEO Chris Christensen, CAO Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer Alejandro Espinoza, Chief of Community Engagement Will Dean, Marketing and Communications Director Jana Trew, Senior Program Officer Meghan Kane, Programs and Research Analyst Erica Huskey, Administrative and Programs Assistant Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board <u>Legal Counsel</u> Jeff Scott	

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
A. Call to Order Roll Call	President De Lara called the meeting to order at 7:56 p.m. The Clerk of the Board called the roll with all Directors' present.	
B. Approval of Agenda	President De Lara asked for a motion to approve the agenda.	#18-89 MOTION WAS MADE by Director PerezGil seconded by Director Zavala to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously. AYES – 7 President De Lara, Vice-President/Secretary Borja, Director Shorr, Director Rogers, Director Zendle, Director PerezGil, and Director Zavala NOES – 0 ABSENT – 0
C. Public Comment	There were no public comments.	



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<p>D. Consent Agenda</p> <p>1. BOARD MINUTES</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Board of Directors Meeting – April 27, 2021</p> <p>2. FINANCIALS</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Approval of the April 2021 Financial Statements – F&A Approved May 11, 2021</p>	<p>President De Lara asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.</p>	<p>#18-90 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Rogers seconded by Director Shorr to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously. AYES – 7 President De Lara Vice-President/Secretary Borja, Director Shorr, Director Rogers, Director Zendle, Director PerezGil, and Director Zavala NOES – 0 ABSENT – 0</p>
<p>E. Desert Healthcare Foundation CEO Report</p> <p>1. Advancing the District’s Role in Addressing the Healthcare Needs of Black Communities in the Coachella Valley</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Consideration to approve Borrego Community Health Foundation Access to Healthcare for Black Communities and Authorize the CEO to Negotiate the Service Agreement – \$575,000</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. Expanding Racial Diversity in the Health Profession Workforce – OneFuture Coachella Valley Grant #1148 – Coachella Valley Black and African American Healthcare Student Scholarships</p>	<p>Conrado Bárzaga, MD, CEO, described the background of the allocation to address the needs of Black communities in the Coachella Valley to build access to healthcare in Desert Highland Gateway Estates, expanding diversity in the healthcare profession, detailing the proposals and community engagement to drive, inform, and determine the best proposal by selecting Borrego Health, requesting authorization to execute the service agreement.</p> <p>Director PerezGil also provided background on the process, a unique approach to allow the community to provide input and make the final determination.</p> <p>Director Zendle suggested more quality measures to</p>	<p>#18-91 MOTION WAS MADE by Director PerezGil seconded by Director Rogers to approve Borrego Community Health Foundation Access to Healthcare for Black Communities and Authorize the CEO to Negotiate the Service Agreement – \$575,000 Motion passed unanimously. AYES – 7 President De Lara Vice-President/Secretary Borja, Director Shorr, Director Rogers, Director Zendle, Director PerezGil, and Director Zavala NOES – 0 ABSENT – 0</p>



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	<p>define the objectives in the future with Director Rogers explaining the health indicators as additional measurements.</p> <p>Dr. Bázquez, CEO explained that once the District acquires Clear Impact, a performance management software, will assist in managing the data and outcomes.</p> <p>Dieter Crawford, Vice President, Desert Highland Gateway Estates Community Action Association and Board member of the Desert Highland Gateway Estates Health and Wellness Committee thanked the Board and Staff for addressing the need, standing in solidarity to move forward towards action explaining that Borrego will be a great asset to the community with a health clinic as the goal, including for the immediate area, and continuing to work with the District for creating a health access point.</p> <p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer provided an update on the workforce development for scholarship opportunities, the launch meeting, and</p>	
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<p>2. Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative: COVID-19 Community Support, Outreach, Education, Testing, and Vaccination Distribution</p>	<p>the developments from the meeting for moving forward the vision with a timeline in September to commence the distribution of funds.</p> <p>Greg Rodriguez, Government Relations and Public Policy Advisor, Office of Supervisor Perez, explained the Desert Hot Springs ties to the behavioral health aspect, the high population of African American students, inquiring on OneFuture’s outreach and work in the Desert Hot Springs community.</p> <p>Alejandro Espinoza, Chief of Community Engagement, provided an update on the Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative describing the agricultural workers commencing the grape harvest, evening vaccinations for additional access, partnering with private employers and other organizations on-site, including apartment complexes.</p> <p>Greg Rodriguez, Government Relations and Public Policy Advisor, Office of Supervisor Perez thanked the Board and Staff, the county in the fourth District which is far</p>	
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<p>3. Environmental Justice and Health Equity</p> <p>a. AB 617 South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Community Emissions Reduction Plan (CERP)</p>	<p>exceeding the rest of the county, and it would not be possible without the District.</p> <p>Dr. Bázquez, CEO, detailed the background on the illegal fires in 2019, the District's work with documenting the health impact of the air quality, and participation in the AB 617 Steering Committees. On June 10, the AB 617 Steering Committee will present the Public Health Institutes reports that were previously provided to the Board, including working with Alianza to showcase the reports. CONCUR has a preliminary report that is embargoed until the proposed June meeting to secure the participants.</p>	
<p>F.1. Program Committee</p> <p>1. Draft Meeting Minutes – May 11, 2021</p> <p>2. Progress and Final Reports Update</p> <p>3. Grant Payment Schedules</p> <p>F.2. F&A Committee</p> <p>1. Draft Meeting Minutes – May 11, 2021</p>	<p>President De Lara inquired on questions from the Board concerning the May 11 Program Committee meeting minutes, progress and final reports, and the grant payment schedules.</p> <p>Director Shorr, Chair, F&A Committee, described the May meeting minutes. Chris Christensen, CAO, explained the \$900k from</p>	<p>#18-92 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Shorr seconded by Director Zavala to approve FY 2021-2022 Annual Budget Motion passed unanimously.</p>



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<p>2. Review and Consideration for Approval – FY 2021-2022 Annual Budget</p>	<p>the pass-through funds from the county for the CARES Act and ELC funding, the estimated \$250k from external sources, and up to \$500k granted from the District once identified as a resource. There is more flexibility in the Foundation with the stocks and securities performance projecting a net income from investments at a few \$100,000's, \$636k of salary allocation from the District to the Foundation with \$200k of allocated resources from the Behavioral Health Initiative regarding the Senior Program Officer, Behavioral Health and the Senior Development Officer. The balance of the repurposing of the Ready Set Swim program with the remaining monies for internal COVID administrative costs. Grant expenses are \$1.4M as a pass-through of \$900k from the CARES Act, ELC funding, and the Public Health Institute. Overall net income/loss for the Foundation is projected at \$149k, which is traditional.</p> <p>Director Shorr suggested a corporate initiative to invite businesses to provide donations, and the</p>	<p>AYES – 7 President De Lara Vice-President/Secretary Borja, Director Shorr, Director Rogers, Director Zendle, Director PerezGil, and Director Zavala NOES – 0 ABSENT – 0</p>
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	CEO will research the matter as appropriate.	
G. Behavioral Health Initiative		
<p>1. Behavioral Health Updates</p> <p>a. Behavioral Health Improvement Plan Mental Health Awareness Month</p>	<p>Jana Trew, Senior Program Officer, Behavioral Health, provided an update explaining the status of the Behavioral Health Improvement Plan process focusing on four key areas from the EVALCORP Needs Assessment by also revisiting the work of the Green Ribbon Committee of Supervisor Perez, further detailing the efforts to increase awareness during the month of May as Mental Health Awareness Month.</p> <p>President De Lara explained the work ahead, and although the Board is eager to move forward, Mrs. De Lara reminded the Board to please contact the CEO for any issues as the overseer of the District.</p>	
J. Adjournment	Acting President Borja adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m. in honor of Mr. Ric Supple.	Audio recording available on the website at https://www.dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents

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Karen Borja, Vice-President/Secretary
Desert Healthcare District Board of Directors

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board