



**DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
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January 25, 2022**

Directors Present – Video Conference	District Staff Present – Video Conference	Absent
President Karen Borja Vice-President/Secretary Evett PerezGil Director Arthur Shorr Director Carole Rogers, RN Director Les Zendle, MD Director Leticia De Lara Director Carmina Zavala	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 Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board <u>Legal Counsel</u> Jeff Scott	Conrado E. Bárzaga, MD, CEO

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
A. Call to Order Roll Call	President Borja called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m. The Clerk of the Board called the roll with all Directors' present.	
B. Approval of Agenda	President Borja asked for a motion to approve the agenda.	#19-14 MOTION WAS MADE by Director De Lara seconded by Director PerezGil to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously. AYES – 7 President Borja, Vice-President/Secretary PerezGil, Director Shorr, Director Rogers, Director Zendle, Director De Lara, and Director Zavala NOES – 0 ABSENT – 0
C. Public Comment	There were no public comments.	
D. Consent Agenda		



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<p>1. BOARD MINUTES</p> <p>a. Board of Directors Meeting – December 21, 2021</p> <p>2. FINANCIALS</p> <p>a. Approval of the December 2021 & January 2022 Financial Statements – F&A Approved January 11, 2022</p> <p>3. RESOLUTIONS</p> <p>a. Subsequent Emergency Resolution #22-03 Re-Ratifying the State of Emergency and Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings</p>	<p>President Borja asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.</p>	<p>#19-15 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Rogers seconded by Director Shorr to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously. AYES – 7 President Borja, Vice-President/Secretary PerezGil, Director Shorr, Director Rogers, Director Zendle, Director De Lara, and Director Zavala</p> <p>NOES – 0</p> <p>ABSENT – 0</p>
<p>E. Desert Healthcare Foundation CEO Report</p> <p>1. Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative: COVID-19 Community Support, Outreach, Education, Testing, and Vaccination Distribution</p> <p>New Hire – Sergio Rodriguez, Program Assistant</p>	<p>Chris Christensen, CAO, described the update on the Coachella Valley Equity Collaboration prepared by Alejandro Espinoza, Chief of Community Engagement, who detailed the events and increased sites in the West Valley while also highlighting the testing efforts.</p> <p>Director Zendle requested an update on the collaborative partners for the mobile unit since community members are inquiring; however, Mr. Espinoza explained that the manufacturer moved the design completion to July 2022.</p>	



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	<p>The Board recommended various advertising once the mobile unit is complete, and additional communication for the testing and vaccination events on the website.</p>	
<p>F.1. F&A Committee</p> <p>1. Draft Meeting Minutes – January 11, 2022</p> <p>F.2. Program Committee</p> <p>1. Draft Meeting Minutes – January 11, 2022</p> <p>2. Grant Payment Schedules</p>	<p>Director Shorr provided a brief overview of the January F&A Committee meeting minutes.</p> <p>President Borja inquired with the Board concerning any questions of the Program Committee meeting minutes of the January 11 meeting.</p>	
<p>G. Homelessness Update</p>	<p>Greg Rodriguez, Government Relations and Public Policy Advisor, Office of Supervisor Perez, described the Supervisor’s approval of \$5.7M for the acquisition of the navigation center explaining that the Palm Springs city council will meet on Thursday to approve the funding. The county and the are city co-applicants on Project Room Key II funding for approx. \$15M for eighty (80) interim housing units and capital for remodeling, including wrap around services. The city’s letter of interest includes service</p>	



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	<p>provisions in the room key application with Martha’s Village as the only applicant of interest to staff the facility. During the council meeting Martha’s Village is likely the chosen provider for the campus operations with a shelter component and funding from a different source. Medical, dental, workforce development, possible childcare, and offices for social services are also fundamental in the buildout. In response to the opposition, Mr. Rodriguez explained that regardless of the placement, even with implementing a community engagement plan, there will be conflicting views also noting that all shelter sites have been distributed evenly throughout the city.</p> <p>Vice-President PerezGil expressed concerns with the placement and the location as the area has overcome various inequalities, and the navigation center could create additional barriers and setbacks.</p>	
<p>H. Behavioral Health Initiative</p>	<p>Jana Trew, Senior Program Officer, Behavioral Health, described the questionnaire to the service provider networks to ensure that current</p>	



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	information is up-to-date based on the needs assessment, further providing additional behavioral health updates on the initiative, such as an upcoming joint school district meeting on mental health.	
I. Adjournment	President Borja adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.	Audio recording available on the website at https://www.dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents

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Evet Perez Gil
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ATTEST: _____

Evet Perez Gil, Vice-President/Secretary
Desert Healthcare District Board of Directors

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