



**DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**  
**July 25, 2023**

<b>Directors Present</b>	<b>District Staff Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
President Evett PerezGil Vice-President Carmina Zavala, PsyD Secretary Carole Rogers, RN Treasurer Arthur Shorr Director Les Zendle, MD Director Leticia De Lara, MPA Director Kimberly Barraza	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 Andrea S. Hayles, Board Relations Officer  <u>Legal Counsel</u> Jeff Scott	Conrado E. Bárzaga, MD, CEO

<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>A. Call to Order</b>  <b>Roll Call</b>	President PerezGil called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.  The Clerk of the Board called the roll with all directors present.	
<b>B. Approval of Agenda</b>	President PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the agenda.	<b>#23-20 MOTION WAS MADE by Director De Lara seconded by Vice-President Zavala to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously. AYES – 7 President PerezGil, Vice-President Zavala, Secretary Rogers, Director Shorr, Director Zendle, Director De Lara and Director Barraza NOES – 0 ABSENT – 0</b>
<b>C. Public Comment</b>	There were no public comments.	
<b>D. Consent Agenda</b>  <b>1. BOARD MINUTES</b> <b>a. Board of Directors Meeting – June 27, 2023</b> <b>2. FINANCIALS</b>	President PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.	<b>#23-21 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Zendle seconded by Director De Lara to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.</b>



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<p><b>a. Approval of the June 2023 Preliminary Financial Statements – F&amp;A Approved July 19, 2023</b></p>		<p><b>AYES – 7 President PerezGil, Vice-President Zavala, Secretary Rogers, Director Shorr, Director Zendle, Director De Lara and Director Barraza</b> <b>NOES – 0</b> <b>ABSENT – 0</b></p>
<p><b>New Business</b></p> <p><b>1. Consideration to approve a Contract Agreement with the U.S. Administration of Community Living – US Aging: Aging and Disability Vaccination Collaborative – \$341,648</b></p> <p><b>2. Homelessness Collective Fund</b></p>	<p>President PerezGil described the US Aging – Aging and Disability Vaccination Collaborative contract agreement.</p> <p>Staff described the discussions at the F&amp;A Committee to research and provide a status report at the July Board meeting on monetary contributions to agencies that serve people experiencing homelessness, similar to past years for cooling centers during the summer months. There is no need for support at this time by the agencies and partners.</p>	<p><b>#23-21 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Zendle seconded by Vice-President Zavala to approve the US Aging. Motion passed unanimously.</b> <b>AYES – 7 President PerezGil, Vice-President Zavala, Secretary Rogers, Director Shorr, Director Zendle, Director De Lara and Director Barraza</b> <b>NOES – 0</b> <b>ABSENT – 0</b></p>
<p><b>1. Desert Healthcare District CEO Report – Conrado E. Bárzaga, MD, CEO</b></p> <p><b>a. Advancing the District’s Role in Addressing the Healthcare Needs of Black Communities in the Coachella Valley</b></p>	<p>President PerezGil inquired with the Board about any questions concerning the staff reports describing items F.1.a-d.</p>	



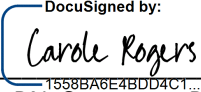
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<p><b>i. Black and African American Healthcare Scholarship Program – OneFuture Coachella Valley Scholarship Award Recipients, Sacha Hudson and Lilyanna Scialdone</b></p> <p><b>b. Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative: COVID-19 Community Support, Outreach, Education, Testing, Vaccination Distribution</b></p> <p><b>c. Mobile Medical Unit Operations</b></p> <p><b>d. Behavioral Health Informational Updates</b></p>	<p>There were no questions or comments.</p> <p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, described the internet issues, including time limitations, with Sacha Hudson and Lilyanna Scialdone, the OneFuture Coachella Valley scholarship award recipients. Staff will ensure their presentations are at the beginning of the September meeting.</p> <p>Alejandro Espinoza, Chief of Community Engagement, provided a brief description of the collaborative updates.</p> <p>The committee discussed and inquired on the fentanyl crisis project, the partnerships, and the District’s role in expanding the project with RUHS. Jana Trew, Senior Program Officer, Behavioral Health, described the Districts collaborative partnerships.</p>	
<p><b>F.1. Program Committee</b></p> <p><b>1. Draft Meeting Minutes – July 18, 2023</b></p> <p><b>2. Grants Payment Schedules</b></p>	<p>President PerezGil inquired about any questions concerning the July Program Committee meeting minutes and items F.1.</p>	



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<p><b>3. Progress and Final Reports Updates</b></p> <p><b>4. Grant #1046 Public Health Institute – Final Deliverable – Policies and Strategies to Improve Air Quality and Public Health in the Coachella Valley</b></p> <p><b>5. Improving Access to Healthcare in Desert Highland Gateway Estates (DHGE) – April 2023 Report – Borrego Health Foundation</b></p> <p><b>F.2. F&amp;A Committee</b></p> <p><b>1. Draft Meeting Minutes – July 19, 2023</b></p>	<p>Director Rogers inquired about the air quality impact from the Salton Sea in the PHI report, with Mr. Espinoza describing the current work of the District.</p> <p>President PerezGil inquired about any questions concerning the July F&amp;A Committee meeting minutes.</p> <p>There were no questions or comments.</p>	
<p><b>G. Board Member Comments</b></p>	<p>There were no Board member comments.</p>	
<p><b>H. Adjournment</b></p>	<p>President PerezGil adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Audio recording available on the website at <a href="https://www.dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents">https://www.dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents</a></b></p>

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 Carole Rogers, RN, Secretary, Board of Directors  
 Desert Healthcare District Board of Directors

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea S. Hayles, Board Relations Officer*