



**DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
September 26, 2023**

Directors Present	District Staff Present	Absent
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, Interim CEO 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	

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>A. Call to Order</b>  <b>Roll Call</b>	President PerezGil called the meeting to order at 7:04 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>#23-22 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Zendle seconded by Director Rogers 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 – July 25, 2023</b> <b>2. FINANCIALS</b>	President PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.	<b>#23-23 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Shorr seconded by Director Rogers to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.</b>



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<p><b>a. Approval of the July and August 2023 Financial Statements – F&amp;A Approved September 13, 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>E. Reports</b></p> <p><b>1. Desert Healthcare District CEO Report – Chris Christensen, Interim CEO</b></p> <p><b>a. Consideration to update the Desert Healthcare Foundation’s Candid Profile – formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar</b></p> <p><b>b. Advancing the District’s Role in Addressing the Healthcare Needs of Black Communities in the Coachella Valley</b></p> <p><b>i. Black and African American Healthcare Scholarship Program – OneFuture Coachella Valley Scholarship Award Recipients</b></p>	<p>Chris Christensen, Interim CEO, described consideration to the Board for updating the Foundation’s Candid demographics profile.</p> <p>There were no questions or comments.</p> <p>The staff shared a video from scholar Lillyana Scialdone highlighting her graduation ceremony, thanking the District for the opportunity, and her new RN position at Desert Regional Medical Center. Staff also highlighted thank you letters from other scholars.</p> <p>The Board congratulated Ms. Scialdone and requested that the staff forward congratulatory letters on behalf of the Board.</p>	<p><b>#23-24 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Zendle seconded by Rogers to approve the update to the Desert Healthcare Foundation’s Candid Profile – formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar 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>



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<p><b>b. Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative: COVID-19 Community Support, Outreach, Education, Testing, Vaccination Distribution</b></p>	<p>President PerezGil inquired about any questions related to the Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative.</p> <p>Alejandro Espinoza, Chief of Community Engagement, provided an overview of the vaccination kiosk at the Palm Desert mall and other locations.</p> <p>Director De Lara thanked the staff and partners in hopes of continuing the work of the Collaborative, expressing her appreciation for the Promotras’.</p> <p>Director Zandle described the importance of prioritizing the elderly and at-risk populations for the new vaccination distribution.</p>	
<p><b>c. DPMG Health Mobile Medical Unit Operations</b></p>	<p>President PerezGil inquired about any questions related to DPMG Health’s Mobile Medical Unit operations.</p> <p>There were no questions or comments.</p>	
<p><b>d. US Aging: Aging and Disability Vaccination Collaborative Grant</b></p>	<p>Alejandro Espinoza, Chief of Community Engagement, described the US Aging grant collaborative work with</p>	



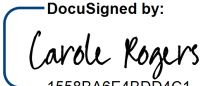
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<p><b>e. Behavioral Health Informational Updates</b></p>	<p>the flu vaccination clinics at the Flying Doctors event, including gift card distribution and further outlining additional locations and partnerships for the flu, RSV, and shingles vaccinations.</p> <p>Jana Trew, Senior Program Officer, Behavioral Health, provided an overview of the Behavioral Health informational updates highlighting the Fentanyl Harm Reduction Awareness Project ACHD Annual Meeting presentation and the October Year-In-Review Coachella Valley Behavioral Health Collective convening.</p>	
<p><b>F.1. Program Committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a. Draft Meeting Minutes – September 12, 2023</b></li> <li><b>b. Grants Payment Schedules</b></li> <li><b>c. Progress and Final Reports Updates</b></li> <li><b>e. Improving Access to Healthcare in Desert Highland Gateway Estates (DHGE) – July 2023 Report – Borrego Health Foundation</b></li> </ul>	<p>President PerezGil inquired about any questions concerning the July Program Committee meeting minutes grants payment schedules, progress and final reports update, and the Borrego Health Foundation Desert Highland Gateway Estates report.</p> <p>The Board inquired about moving forward after the conclusion of the grant with Borrego Health Foundation.</p>	



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<p><b>F.2. F&amp;A Committee</b></p> <p><b>1. Draft Meeting Minutes – September 13, 2023</b></p>	<p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, outlined the grant transfer agreement to DAP Health and the mobile dental unit, providing future access to healthcare under the direction of DAP Health, while assisting Borrego with ongoing services.</p> <p>President PerezGil inquired about any questions concerning the September 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 7:37 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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 ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Carole Rogers, RN, Secretary, Board of Directors  
 Desert Healthcare District Board of Directors

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