



**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT  
SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
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November 16, 2023**

<b>Directors Present</b>	<b>District Staff Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
President Evett PerezGil Vice-President Carmina Zavala, PsyD Carole Rogers, RN, Secretary 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 Meghan Kane, Senior Program Officer, Public Jana Trew, Senior Program Officer, Behavioral Health Andrea S. Hayles, Board Relations Officer  Jeff Scott, Legal Counsel	

<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 5:30 p.m.  The Clerk of the Board called the roll with all directors present.	
<b>B. Pledge of Allegiance</b>	President PerezGil led the Pledge of Allegiances.	
<b>C. Approval of Agenda</b>	President PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the agenda.	<b>#23-76 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Zendle and seconded by Director Barraza to approve the agenda.</b> <b>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>
<b>D. Public Comment</b>	There were no public comments for matters not listed on the agenda.	
<b>E. Strategic Planning Retreat Continuance</b>	Mark Dubow, Director, Veralon, provided an overview of the November 4th strategic planning retreat and presented	



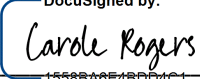
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<p><b>1. Discuss and re-evaluate the strategic planning objectives, priorities, goals, and strategies – Mark Dubow, MSPH, MBA, Director, Veralon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a. Presentation</b></li> <li><b>b. Current Grant Allocations</b></li> <li><b>c. 5-Year Strategic Plan</b></li> </ul>	<p>the review of the footnote for the vision statement. The Board discussed acknowledging overcoming, removing, or other barriers in the economic factor and access to care and shortening the statement with Mark providing an update to the vision statement.</p> <p>Mr. Dubow reviewed the conclusions from the November 4 session with the Board, engaging in a robust conversation about funding homelessness and housing and the strategic healthcare nexus.</p> <p>Meghan Kane, Senior Program Officer, Public Health, provided a presentation on Results-Based Accountability and its relation to the grantmaking process while answering questions from the directors.</p> <p>The Board adjourned to a break at 6:49 p.m. and called to order at 7:01 p.m.</p> <p>Mr. Dubow provided an overview of the pre-retreat exercise of the grant fund allocation and where the District should focus funding.</p> <p>The Board concluded edits to describe “equitably” in a footnote of the vision statement and focusing on strategies 2, 3, and 6.1 as high priorities, with edits to 2.2 for capacity, incorporating capacity-building efforts in</p>	
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	<p>strategy 4.6, included in goals 2 and 3, and removing “East” from goal 6 after the One Coachella Valley discussions at the initial retreat.</p> <p>The staff will continue the process by forwarding any grants not prioritized as high to the Program Committee for review and determination to the Board. Similarly, the Board will discuss funding emergency circumstances outside the of the high-priority goals.</p>	
<p><b>F. Adjournment</b></p>	<p>President PerezGil adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Audio recording available on the website at <a href="http://dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents">http://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*