



**HOSPITAL LEASE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
December 19, 2019**

Directors Present	District Staff Present	Absent
Chairman/President, Les Zendle, MD Director Carole Roger, RN Director Karen Borja	Conrado E. Bázquez, MD, CEO Chris Christensen, Interim CEO, CFO Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board	

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
I. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Zendle.	
II. Introductions	All in attendance were familiar with each other; thus, introductions were not necessary.	
III. Approval of Agenda	Chairman Zendle asked for a motion to approve the agenda	Moved and seconded by Director Rogers and Director Borja to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.
IV. Public Comment	No public comment.	
V. Approval of Meeting Minutes	Chairman Zendle asked for approval of the October 17, 2019, meeting minutes.	Moved and seconded by Director Rogers to Director Borja approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.
VI. Old Business		
VII. New Business		
1. Q4 Hospital Inspection – Desert Regional Medical Center	Dale Barnhart, Consultant, provided the highlights of the Q4 inspection report that included sprinklers, rust in the ceiling diffusers, surgical area sprinkler head dust, and blocked electrical panels. The clinical room was blocked with boxes, the phlebotomy area had dust and open panels in the ceiling. The GI lab area had no findings. Mr. Barnhart also described other minor repairs.	

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<p>2. Q3 Hospital Inspection – Desert Regional Medical Center</p>	<p>Dale Barnhart, Consultant, described the results of the Q3 reinspection with most items completed other than the patient room wall damage repair, repainting of patch work in the women infant center, and the damaged laminate on the door in the EVS closet.</p>	
<p>3. Leapfrog – Hospital Safety Grade</p>	<p>Christine Langenwaller, MSN, RNC, CENP, Chief Quality Officer, Desert Regional Medical Center, provided a presentation of the most recent Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade commencing with a description of the safety grade with the scores released twice annually in April and October. 2,600 hospitals participate, and some do not participate at all. The process/structural measures are 50% of the total score; the other half are three sections, with the last score being patient safety outcome measures. Two years ago, Desert Regional Medical Center (DRMC) received a B, a C for the last three reporting periods, and each grading period changes. DRMC received the full complimented points for falls in the survey period. Patient satisfaction scores from 2017-2018 did not change significantly, with a strong performance in communications with medications, improved discharge, and the opportunity for improvement in communication with physicians.</p>	



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	<p>An overview of Infection prevention and improvement activities for prevention such as partnering with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), a multidisciplinary task force, a change in central line dressing product, and electronic records hard stops.</p> <p>A summary of the key action items was provided that include stronger partnerships, residency programs in quality and patient safety improvements, physician advisors, Advocates for Cerner upgrades that support medication scanning, diligence in prevention programs, patient experience focus, nursing leadership rounds, and increased clinical staff engagement.</p> <p>Ezra Kaufman, District resident, explained that the hospital had an "A," and for two years had a C, but has a net profit of over \$35M and is unwilling to devote the necessary resources. Mr. Kaufman inquired on the track and reducing patient safety as below average and was not addressed during the presentation.</p> <p>Chairman Zendle inquired if pages 1-6 can be included in the minutes for publishing. Michele Finney, CEO, Desert Care Network, Desert Regional Medical Center, explained that she has no qualms.</p>	
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	Desert Regional Medical Center (DRMC) is working with the public and media outlets to explain the scores results and improvements that are underway. Sick patients from JFK Medical Center and Eisenhower Medical Center are often transferred to DRMC, which also has a reflection on the score.	
VIII. Adjournment	Chairman Zendle adjourned the meeting at 11:06 a.m.	<i>Audio recording available on the website at https://www.dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents</i>

ATTEST: 

 Les Zendle, MD, Chairman/President
 Hospital Lease Oversight Committee

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