



Denver Health and Hospital Authority Board Meeting
MEETING MINUTES
601 Broadway, 9th Floor, Room 927
Thursday, October 27, 2022
1:31 p.m. – 5:05 p.m.

Board of Directors	Staff	Staff	Guests
Present: In Person Unless Otherwise Stated	Donna Lynne, Dr.P.H.	Chuck Scully	
Patricia "Pia" Dean	Dr. Kathy Boyle	Burke Speaker	
Patti Klinge	Dr. Bob Belknap	Enid Wade	
Frank deGruy	Michelle Fournier Johnson	Elbra Wedgeworth	
Eli Provencio-Vasquez (Webex)	Amy Friedman	Jackie Zheleznyak	
Doug Friednash (Webex)	Kris Gaw	Lorena Zimmer	
Kathy Nesbitt (Webex)	Dr. Simon Hambidge	Dr. Jeremy Long	
Tom Kim	Dr. Romana Hasnain-Wynia	Katherine Marinelli	
Jim Chavez	Faraz Khan	Sarah Meadows	
Irene Aguilar (Webex)	Gary Kielty		
Hollie Velasquez-Horvath	Dr. Tom MacKenzie		
	Greg McCarthy		
Absent:	Dr. Abraham Nussbaum		
Danielle Shoots	Dr. Connie Price		

Agenda Topic	Responsible Person (s)	Status/Comments
I. A. Call to Order and Approval of Minutes	Pia Dean	Ms. Pia Dean, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. Mr. Tom Kim made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms.



		Patti Klinge seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously approved.
B. Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement	Pia Dean	Ms. Dean requested disclosure of any conflicts of interest. No conflicts were reported.
C. Public Comment	Pia Dean	No Public Comment was provided.
II. Medical Staff/Quality		
A. Medical Staff Appointments/QSSIC Comments	Dr. Long	Dr. Jeremy Long, MD, reported 23 new appointments, 43 reappointments, 10 providers requesting new privileges, and 13 individuals leaving the staff. Dr. Frank deGruy made a motion to approve the medical staff appointments. Mr. Kim seconded the motion, and the appointments were unanimously approved.
B. Medical Staff Executive Committee (MSEC) Update	Dr. Long	Dr. Long shared that the RESTORE (formerly known as RISE) team has a retreat on October 28 th to continue to work to strengthen the program.
C. Quality, Safety and Service Improvement Committee (QSSIC) Update	Dr. deGruy	Dr. deGruy provided a brief update from the Committee meeting. Dr. Tom MacKenzie presented a case to the committee to illustrate how important Quality and Safety is to the organization and to our patients. Dr. Connie Price gave an update on COVID-19 and gave projections for the beginning of flu season.
III. Consent Calendar		
A. Resolution Appointing Dr. Stacy Trent to the Finance, Audit, and Compliance Committee	Pia Dean	Mr. Kim made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar items. Ms. Klinge seconded the motion, and the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.
IV. New Business		
A. CEO Report	Dr. Donna Lynne	Dr. Donna Lynne, herself or by calling on others, provided updates on key issues across the organization. Dr. Lynne introduced Ms. Elbra Wedgeworth, as a special consultant to Dr. Lynne. Dr. Lynne also introduced the Interim Communications Officer, Mr. Burke Speaker. She read a patient letter recognizing our hard-working staff in the Emergency Department, Surgical Unit, Post- Op Unit, and many others. Dr. Lynne has had a busy start to her tenure at

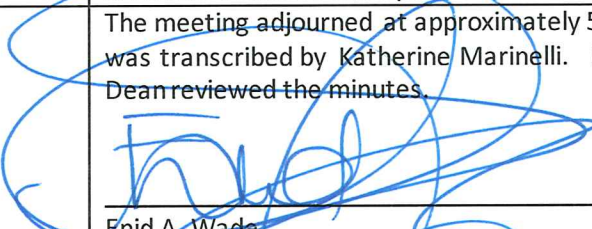
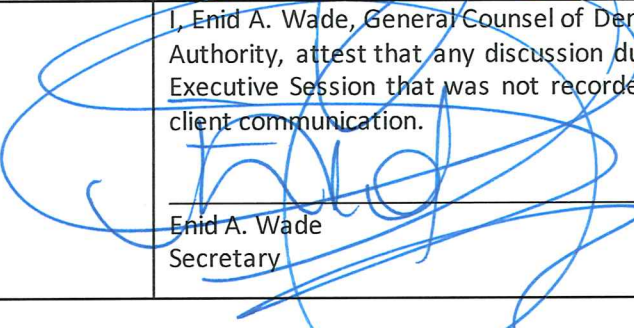


B. Approval of Purchase of Land at 950 & 970 North Federal Boulevard (Westside Clinic)		<p>Denver Health. Dr. Price shared that Dr. Kevin McVaneey will be leaving his position as Medical Director for Emergency Medicine after twelve years, but has agreed to help during the transition, and a search for a replacement will begin in the next few weeks. Dr. Lynne will begin a series of Listening Tours to allow employees to share concerns and ask questions.</p> <p>There was a brief discussion about the land purchase to rebuild the Westside Clinic. Dr. deGruy made a motion to authorize management to move forward with purchasing the land (950 and 970 Federal) to replace the Westside Clinic. Mr. Kim seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.</p>
C. GME Annual Institutional Review	Dr. Abraham Nussbaum	<p>Dr. Abraham Nussbaum introduced Ms. Sarah Meadows, Director of Clinical Education, and shared a presentation about the Graduate Education at Denver Health. Dr. Nussbaum shared that Denver Health is the state's second largest site of graduate medical education; training 3,713 learners in 2021. He also reviewed that the goals for Graduate Education are: Meet and exceed accreditation standards; Optimize GE FTE and financials; Improve learner environment; and Foster growth opportunities. He also presented other information as contained in the presentation attached hereto as Exhibit "A."</p>
VI. Committee and Board Member Reports		
A. Finance, Audit, and Compliance Committee Report	Faraz Khan	<p>Ms. Faraz Khan gave a brief overview of the September financials. Ms. Khan stated that discharges and surgeries were higher than budget, even though we had to close a unit of beds. The organization is continuing to reduce its use of contract labor and instead hire permanent employees.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Financial Improvement Plan	Kris Gaw	<p>Ms. Gaw updated the board briefly on the organization's financial improvement plans for the rest of the year.</p>



B. DCHS Report	Patti Klinge	Ms. Klinge reported that the community health services had the largest number of patients ever, with over 163,000 users. Dr. Steve Federico gave a presentation on Pediatrics. He highlighted that demand for mental health visits is growing rapidly.
C. DHMP Report	Greg McCarthy	Mr. Greg McCarthy shared that the Medical Plan had positive financial results in September. Dr. Messer-Smith gave a presentation about the Annual Medicaid Choice Quality Improvement Plan. The Public Health Emergency has been extended to January 2023.
D. Nominating and Governance	Pia Dean	No report was given as the committee has not met.
E. Human Resources Committee	Patti Klinge	Ms. Klinge provided a brief update from the last meeting. The committee reviewed information, including some provided by Sullivan Cotter, relating to Senior Management compensation.
F. Research and Education	Eli Provencio Vasquez	No report was given as the committee has not met.
G. Community Engagement Committee	Jim Chavez	No report was given as the committee has not met.
H. Denver Health Foundation Report	Hollie Velasquez-Horvath	Ms. Velasquez-Horvath wanted to recognize Ms. Crystal Potter Rivera's commitment to the Foundation and her work to reach the fundraising target goal for the year.
I. Chair's Report	Pia Dean	Ms. Dean reminded everyone that the November board meeting is a week early due to Thanksgiving and the Nominating and Governance Committee will be finalizing committee assignments.



VIII. Board Only Executive Session Deliberative Process and Attorney-Client Privileges A. Litigation Update B. Personnel Matter C. Update on Operating Agreement Negotiations D. 2023 Executive & DOS Compensation	Enid Wade/ Pia Dean	Ms. Patti Klinge made a motion at 4:00 p.m. to enter into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. section 24-6-402 (4), (b), (c), (e), (f), and (g), which allows for review and discussion of legal advice on regulatory, legal, and compliance matters, and on pending, threatened, or imminent litigation and settlements; to deliberate and discuss personnel matters; and matters confidential under HIPAA, and matters confidential under other laws, and positions and strategy for negotiation; and under deliberative process privilege pursuant to common law and C.R.S. section 24-72-204 (3) (a), (4), and (13). The board came out of executive session at 5:05 p.m.
Adjournment	Pia Dean	The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:05 pm. The meeting was transcribed by Katherine Marinelli. Enid A. Wade and Pia Dean reviewed the minutes.  Enid A. Wade Secretary
		I, Enid A. Wade, General Counsel of Denver Health and Hospital Authority, attest that any discussion during the portion of the Executive Session that was not recorded, concerned attorney-client communication.  Enid A. Wade Secretary