

Denver Health and Hospital Authority Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

601 Broadway, 927 Conference Room Thursday, July 24, 2025 1:30 p.m. – 5:12 p.m.

Board of Directors	Staff	Staff	Guests
Present:	Donna Lynne, DrPH	Enid Wade, J.D.	Daniel Kortsch, M.D.
Patti Klinge	April Audain	Heidi Wald, M.D.	Tracy Bruns
Jim Chavez	Peg Burnette	Lorena Zimmer	Judith Benton
Eli Provencio-Vasquez (<i>Via Webex</i>)	Kris Gaw	Morris Askenazi, M.D.	Gina Glockner
Doug Friednash (<i>Via</i> Webex)	Rebecca Hanratty, M.D.	Katherine Marinelli	Zoe Bouchelle, M.D.
Pia Dean	Greg McCarthy		Randy Miles, M.D.
Kathy Nesbitt	Jacque Montgomery		Amanda Breeden
Frank deGruy, M.D.	Abraham Nussbaum, M.D.		Ashesh Thaker, M.D.
Absent:	Natalie Nicholson, DNP, RN		Monica Grace
Chris Watney	Read Pierce, M.D.	,	Megan Fisher
Hollie Velasquez-Horvath	Chuck Scully		
Tom Kim	Andy Tiehen		
Lily Cervantes, M.D.	Sean VanBerschot		

Agenda Topic	Responsible Person(s)	Status/Comments
I. Call to Order and Preliminary Matters	Patti Klinge	Ms. Patti Klinge, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
A. Approval of June 26, 2025, Meeting Minutes		A motion was made to approve the minutes, and the motion was seconded and approved unanimously.
B. Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement		Ms. Klinge requested disclosure of any conflicts of interest. No conflicts were disclosed.
C. Key Personnel Updates		Ms. April Audain introduced Mr. Borja Bofarull Marraco, the new ACFO, Business Analytics.
D. Public Comment		No public comment was provided.

E. Video Highlights		A video was played highlighting a patient experience featuring Dr. Cyril Mauffrey and the orthopedic team.
II. Medical Staff/Quality		•
A. Approval of Medical Staff Appointments	Morris Askenazi, M.D.	Dr. Morris Askenazi, President of the Medical Staff, presented 29 new applicants for medical staff appointments, 31 of the 33
B. Follow Up Report on medical Staff Appointments Approved at June Meeting		applications that needed verification were verified and approved on July 1, 2025. There were 52 reappointments, 32 departures, and 3 requests for new privileges. These
C. Medical Staff Executive Committee (MSEC) Update		applications included four red flags, each of which were reviewed and discussed, with all concerns being addressed. A motion was made to approve the requested appointments and privileges. The motion was seconded and was unanimously approved.
		Dr. Askenazi reported that MSEC participated in an educational session organized by the Office of General Counsel.
III. Consent Items		
A. Resolution to Approve Picture Archiving and Communication System Contract		All items on the Consent Calendar were unanimously approved, after the opportunity for questions, answers, and discussion.
B. Resolution to Establish Denver Health Redevelopment Corp. and to Appoint Directors and Officers		
C. Resolution to Approve Revised DHHA Board of Director Policies		
D. Resolution for Approval of Purchase of Contiguous Plots of Land at W. 6 th Avenue & Bannock Street		
IV. New Business Presentations		
A. Executive Leadership Update	Donna Lynne, & Members of Senior Leadership Team	Donna Lynne, along with members of the Senior Leadership team, provided updates on key Denver Health events and matters. Ms. Lynne also shared a patient story with the board. <i>Materials are included in Exhibit</i>

		07.25-A, which can be provided upon
		request.
B. Opportunities for AI at Denver Health	Dr. Daniel Kortsch	Dr. Daniel Kortsch presented on how Denver Health and integrate AI across the organization. <i>Materials are included in Exhibit 07.25-B, which is attached hereto.</i>
C. Westside Campaign D. 10 – minute break	Sean VanBerschot & Megan Fisher	Mr. Sean VanBerschot and Ms. Megan Fisher reported on the progress of the campaign to rebuild Westside Clinic, and a reminder that the DH Foundation Gala is on November 1, 2025. <i>Materials are included in Exhibit 07.25-C, which can be provided upon request.</i>
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E. Update on Federal Funding and Awards	Dr. Randy Miles	Dr. Randy Miles provided an update on the implications administrative action relating to research grant termination on the federal level. <i>Materials are included in Exhibit 07.25-D, which can be provided upon request.</i>
F. State of the Department - Radiology	Dr. Ashesh Thaker	Dr. Ashesh Thaker made a presentation regarding the Radiology Department members and services. <i>Materials are included in Exhibit 07.25-E, which can be provided upon request</i>
V. Board Member Committee Reports		
A. Finance, Audit, and Compliance	Jim Chavez	Ms. April Audain reported on the June financial results. <i>Materials are included in Exhibit 07.25-F, which is attached hereto.</i>
B. Quality, Safety, and Service Improvement (QSSIC)	Frank deGruy, M.D.	Dr. deGruy reported the committee saw received reports from Dr. Natalie Nicholson on the Annual Nurse Staffing Plan received in update from Ms. Enid Wade on trends in Medical Malpractice Verdicts.
C. Denver Community Health Services	Pia Dean	Ms. Pia Dean reported the committee will have an offsite on August 21st. She noted that patient access is improving despite several vacancies.

D. Nominating & Governance	Doug Friednash	Mr. Doug Friednash reported the committee conducted an annual review of the Board Policies and Bylaws. A formal recommendation for board officers will be made at the October Board meeting.
E. Chair's Report	Patti Klinge	Ms. Klinge announced that Ms. Kathy Nesbitt has resigned from her position on the Board. She reminded the Board there will be no August Board Meeting.
VI. Executive Session – Deliberative Process Matters A. CEO Matters B. Emerging Issues C. Litigation + Strategy (As Needed) D. HR/Personnel Matters E. Board-Only Deliberation	Board Members, Donna Lynne, & Members of Senior Leadership Team	Dr. deGruy made a motion at 4:05 p.m. to enter into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. sections 24-6-402 (4), (b), (c), (e), (f), and (g), which allow 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 and peer review matters; and matters confidential under HIPAA, and matters confidential under other laws, and positions and strategy for negotiation; and under the deliberative process privilege pursuant to common law and C.R.S. Section 24-72-204 (3)(a), (4), and (13). The motion was seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The board came out of executive session at 5:12 p.m.
VII. Adjournment	Patti Klinge	The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:12 p.m. Katherine Marinelli transcribed the meeting minutes. Enid A. Wade and Patti Klinge reviewed the minutes. Enid A. Wade, J.D. Secretary I, Enid A. Wade, Chief Legal Officer of Denver Health and Hospital Authority, attest that the discussion during any portion of the Executive Session that was not recorded, concerned attorney-client communication.
		Enid A. Wade, J.D. Secretary