

EMERGENCE HEALTH NETWORK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
January 26, 2012

Board of Trustees: Micheal Wendt, Chair
Anna Perez, Vice-Chair (Not Present)
Jacob Cintron, Secretary
Rafael Aguirre, Trustee
Dr. Michael Escamilla, Trustee
Lyda Ness-Garcia, Trustee
Rita Ruelas, Trustee

EPMHMR Staff: Kristi Daugherty, Interim CEO
Pauline Motts, Chief Financial Officer
Rene Hurtado, Chief External Affairs Officer
Rosie Garcia, Recording Secretary

Guests: Bob Blumenfeld, Legal Counsel
Phil Strickler, Strickler & Prieto, LLP
Florence Fowler, PNAC Chair

I. Introductory Items

A. Call to Order and Certification of a Quorum

Certification of a quorum was established.

B. Moment of Silence

II. Preliminary Meeting Items

A. Review of the Minutes from December 15, 2011 and January 10, 2012 Board of Trustees Meetings

A motion was made by Board Secretary Jacob Cintron and seconded by Trustee Rita Ruelas to approve the December 15, 2011 and January 10, 2011 meeting minutes. The motion carried

B. Citizen Comment

Pedro Sera, EPMHMR client, addressed the Board with various concerns regarding services provided to him by EPMHMR.

Bill Schlesinger, Project Vida CEO, provided the Board with information on integrated health care and a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation research synthesis project. Mr. Schlesinger also shared some of the benefits of linking FQHC and Emergence Health Network.

III. Presentations

A. Sun City Business Plan

Kristi Daugherty provided a presentation and update received regarding the Sun City Business Plan. The presentation included information on the EAP & Network Services and the Sun City Outpatient Clinic.

B. Name Change

Mr. Rene Hurtado provided a presentation on the Center's new name. Emergence Health Network will be operating under its new name after this Board meeting.

IV. Chairperson's Report

A. Finance Committee

EPMHMR Financials

Complete EPMHMR and Sun City Financials including variances for the months of November and December 2011 were provided for review. Pauline Motts provided a financial overview of net revenues over expenses and income statement highlights for the Board.

A motion was made by Rafael Aguirre and seconded by Jacob Cintron to accept the EPMHMR and Sun City Financials for the months of November and December 2011. The motion carried

B. Human Resources Committee

The HR Committee met this month and reviewed all standing reports.

C. Public Relations Committee

The PR Committee's main focus has been the Name Change. Information was included in Rene's presentation.

D. Ad-Hoc Committee – Psych ER

Dr. Escamilla provided highlights of the Ad-Hoc Committee meeting.

- Working on reducing the wait times for patients in the ER's
- Use of the portal for information sharing
- Looking at possible locations for the Psych ER - University Medical Center or at the El Paso Psychiatric Center
- The development of the Observation Unit at 1600 Montana

E. CEO Search Committee

The Board met on January 10, 2012 to interview two Executive Search Firms via videoconferencing. The Meyers Group was selected based on their understanding of our needs. Stuart Meyers has over 40 years experience in Behavioral Health. Stuart Meyers has consulted with Board members, staff, and stakeholders and will be creating a comprehensive performance profile for the new CEO and implement a comprehensive plan to recruit the best candidate.

F. Executive Committee

Executive Committee reviewed all action items on the agenda.

G. Texas Council

Mike Wendt attended Texas Council meeting this month and gave a brief update on the 1115 Waiver Implementation.

H. PNAC

Florence Fowler reported that only two members were present at the last PNAC meeting. Anna Basler will be sending letters to current members asking them if they would like a new date and time for the meeting and is also looking at getting new members. Bill Schlesinger attended the meeting and handed out copies of information on integrated care.

V. Discussion and Action Items for the Board of Trustees

A. Review and take appropriate action to elect new Board Officers

A motion was made by Lyda Ness-Garcia and seconded by Dr. Escamilla that Micheal Wendt be appointed as the Chair, Anna Perez as the Vice-Chair and Jacob Cintron as the Secretary. The motion carried.

- B. Review and take appropriate action to accept the Annual Audit for FY 2011**
The Annual Audit report for FY 2011 was presented by William Strickler of Strickler & Prieto. The Finance Committee recommends acceptance of the FY 2011 Annual Audit.

A motion was made by Jacob Cintron and seconded by Lyda Ness-Garcia to accept the Annual Audit for FY 2011. Motion carried.

- C. Review and take appropriate action to accept the Annual Report for FY 2011**
The Annual Report for FY 2011 was presented by Rene Hurtado.

A motion was made by Lyda Ness-Garcia and seconded by Dr. Escamilla to accept the Annual Report for FY 2011. Motion carried.

- D. Discussion and take appropriate action to approve the selection of the Executive Search Organization as recommended by the CEO Search Committee**

A motion was made by Jacob Cintron and seconded by Rafael Aguirre to reaffirm approval of the Executive Search Organization as recommended by the CEO Search Committee and approved by a special Board Meeting on January 10, 2012. Motion carried.

- E. Discussion and take appropriate action to approve a six-month extension of the contract between El Paso MHMR and Varay Systems for IT Services**

A motion was made by Jacob Cintron and seconded by Rafael Aguirre to approve a six-month extension of the contract between El Paso MHMR and Varay Systems for IT Services. Motion carried.

- F. Discussion and take appropriate action to approve the IT Services Contract and Inter-local agreement between EPMHMR and the County**

A motion was made by Lyda Ness-Garcia and seconded by Jacob Cintron to postpone for one month the agenda item to review and take appropriate action to approve the IT Services Contract and Inter-local agreement between EPMHMR and the County. The motion carried.

- G. Discussion and take appropriate action to approve the revised Name Change budget and media plan**

Original request was modified. Pauline Motts has checked from a financial stand point and believes the additional funds requested are supportable and we will still be able to stay on budget.

A motion was made by Jacob Cintron and seconded by Rafael Aguirre to approve the revised Name Change budget and Media plan as recommended by the PR Committee and the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

- H. Discussion and take appropriate action to approve the Inter-local agreement for Legal Representation between EPMHMR and the County**

A motion was made by Lyda Ness-Garcia and seconded by Jacob Cintron to postpone the agenda item to review and take appropriate action to approve the Inter-local agreement for legal representation between EPMHMR and the County until further discussion is held. Motion carried.

VI. Interim Executive Director's Report

Kristi Daugherty, Interim CEO reported that she has been spending time with staff and all is going well. Ms. Daugherty has utilized Gary Larcenaire for consultation on several occasions and he has been very supportive and helpful.

VII. Closed Executive Session

Board Chair Mike Wendt read the closed executive session statement on the agenda. Board Vice-Chair Jacob Cintron made a motion to go into executive session. It was seconded by Dr. Escamilla. The Board went into executive session at 7:15 p.m. pursuant to Item VI posted on the Agenda.

A. Discussion regarding the possibility of building a facility at the Medical Center of the Americas (MCA)

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Approved By:

Jacob Cintron, Board Secretary

Date