



KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

City of Visalia – City Council Chambers
707 W. Acequia, Visalia, CA

Wednesday August 28, 2024 {Regular Meeting}

OPEN MEETING AGENDA {4:00PM}

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – Members of the public may comment on agenda items before action is taken and after it is discussed by the Board. Each speaker will be allowed five minutes. Members of the public wishing to address the Board concerning items not on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of the Board are requested to identify themselves at this time.
- 4. APPROVAL OF THE CLOSED AGENDA – 4:01PM**
Public Participation – Members of the public may comment on agenda items before action is taken and after the item has been discussed by the Board.
Action Requested – Approval of the August 28, 2024, closed meeting agenda.
- 5. ADJOURN**

CLOSED MEETING AGENDA {4:01PM}

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION** – Pursuant to Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code.
Diaz vs. Kaweah Delta Health Care District
Tulare County Superior Court Case No.: VCU297155
Dianne Cox, Chief Human Resource Officer and Rachele Berglund, Legal Counsel
- 3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION** – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(1).
16 Cases vs. Kaweah Health Care District
Evelyn McEntire, Director of Risk Management and Rachele Berglund, Legal Counsel

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*Mike Olmos – Zone I
President*

*Lynn Havard Mirviss – Zone II
Vice President*

*Dean Levitan, MD – Zone
III
Board Member*

*David Francis – Zone IV
Secretary-Treasurer*

*Ambar Rodriguez – Zone V
Board Member*

- 4. CREDENTIALING** - Medical Executive Committee (MEC) requests that the appointment, reappointment and other credentialing activity regarding clinical privileges and staff membership recommended by the respective department chiefs, the credentials committee and the MEC be reviewed for approval pursuant to Health and Safety Code 1461 and 32155.

Daniel Hightower, MD, Chief of Staff

- 5. QUALITY ASSURANCE** pursuant to Health and Safety Code 32155 and 1461, report of quality assurance committee.

Daniel Hightower, MD, Chief of Staff

- 6. APPROVAL OF THE CLOSED MEETING MINUTES** –June 26, 2024, and the July 24, 2024, closed meeting minutes.

Public Participation – Members of the public may comment on agenda items before action is taken and after the item has been discussed by the Board.

Action Requested – Approval of the June 26, 2024, and July 24, 2024, closed minutes.

- 7. ADJOURN**

OPEN MEETING AGENDA {4:15PM}

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**

- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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- 4. CLOSED SESSION ACTION TAKEN** – Report on action(s) taken in closed session.

- 5. OPEN MINUTES** – Request approval of the July 24, 2024, open minutes.

Public Participation – Members of the public may comment on agenda items before action is taken and after the item has been discussed by the Board.

Action Requested – Approval of the July 24, 2024, open minutes.

- 6. RECOGNITIONS**

6.1. Presentation of Resolution 2235 to Yajaira Madera Avonce in recognition as the Kaweah Health World Class Employee of the month – August 2024 – *Director Rodriguez*

6.2. Presentation of Resolution 2236 to Gloria Lizardo, in recognition of her 44 years of service and retirement. – *Director Rodriguez*

6.3. Presentation of Resolution 2237 to Jennifer Cawley in recognition of her 32 years of service and retirement. – *Director Rodriguez*

7. **INTRODUCTION – New Director**

7.1. Ben Savage, Radiation Oncology Services Manager

8. **CREDENTIALS** - Medical Executive Committee requests that the appointment, reappointment and other credentialing activity regarding clinical privileges and staff membership recommended by the respective department chiefs, the credentials committee and the Medical Executive Committee be reviewed for approval.

Daniel Hightower, MD, Chief of Staff

Public Participation – Members of the public may comment on agenda items before action is taken and after the item has been discussed by the Board.

Action Requested – Approval of the August 28, 2024, medical staff credentials report.

9. **CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT** – Report relative to current Medical Staff events and issues.

Daniel Hightower, MD, Chief of Staff

10. **CONSENT CALENDAR** - All matters under the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion, unless a Board member requests separate action on a specific item.

Public Participation – Members of the public may comment on agenda items before action is taken and after the item has been discussed by the Board.

Action Requested – Approval of the August 28, 2024, Consent Calendar

10.1. **REPORTS**

- A. Physician Recruitment
- B. Throughput
- C. Other Professional Service Reports:
 - C.1. Renal Services

10.2. **POLICIES**

A. Administrative Policies

- A.1. AP31- Physician Referral- Revised
- A.2. AP69- Requirement for Contracting with Outside Service Providers- Revised
- A.3. AP138- Use of Non-District Approved Medical Devices- Revised
- A.4. AP141- Credit and Collection Policy- Revised
- A.5. AP148- Grants- Revised

B. Environment of Care

- B.1. EOC 2000- Emergency Operations Plan- Revised

10.3. MEC

A. Privilege Form Revision – APP-NP/PA

11. STROKE PROGRAM QUALITY REPORT- A review of key quality indicators and action plans related to the care of the Stroke population. – *Cheryl Smit, RN-BC, BSN, Manager, Stroke & CME Programs and Sean Oldroyd, OD, Stroke Program Medical Director*

12. FINANCIALS – Review of the most current fiscal year financial results.
Malinda Tupper – Chief Financial Officer

13. REPORTS

13.1. Chief Executive Officer Report - Report on current events and issues.
Gary Herbst, Chief Executive Officer

13.2. Board President - Report on current events and issues.
Mike Olmos, Board President

CLOSED MEETING AGENDA IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE OPEN SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2).
Ben Cripps, Chief Compliance Officer and Rachele Berglund, Legal Counsel

3. ADJOURN

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