

Kaweah Delta Health Care District Board of Directors Meeting

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KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

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

Wednesday August 26, 2026 {Regular Meeting}

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OPEN SESSION – 3:30 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – 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.
3. **BOARD EDUCATIONAL STUDY SESSION** - Receive an educational presentation regarding Board fiduciary responsibilities, governance principles, and the distinction between Board governance and management responsibilities.
4. **ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

CLOSED SESSION – 4:01 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION / QUARTERLY COMPLIANCE REPORT** – Conference with legal counsel regarding potential exposure to

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litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2); Matters involve compliance, risk management review, and related quality assurance issues.

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION AND RISK MANAGEMENT –

Discussion with legal counsel regarding ongoing litigation matters involving risk management, patient safety, or related claims. (Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(1))

A. BURNS-NUNEZ V KDHCD	I. GOODES V. KDHCD
B. M. VASQUEZ V. KDHCD	J. MARTINEZ-LUNA V. KDHCD
C. ISQUIERDO V KDHCD	K. ALVARADO V KDHCD
D. LARUMBLE-TORRES V KDHCD	L. MORENO V KDHCD
E. SMITHSON V KDHCD	M. RICHARDSON V KDHCD
F. VELASEQUEZ V KDHCD	N. TINOCO V KDHCD
G. MEDINA V KDHCD	O. MACKEY V KDHCD
H. JOHNSON V KDHCD	

4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION / QUALITY OF CARE RISK

EXPOSURE – Conference with legal counsel regarding potential exposure to litigation involving adverse patient outcomes, risk management review, and related quality assurance matters. Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2); One potential case.

Possible reportable action

5. MEDICAL STAFF CREDENTIALING AND PRIVILEGING - 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 Government Code 54957.

Action Requested – Approval of Medical Staff Credentialing and Privileging

6. MEDICAL STAFF QUALITY ASSURANCE/PEER REVIEW

discussion and evaluation of medical staff quality assurance matters, including peer review findings, performance assessments, and related compliance activities. This session is closed pursuant to Government Code 54957 & Evid. Code 1157.

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7. APPROVAL OF THE CLOSED MEETING MINUTES – July 6, 2026, and July 22, 2026.

Action Requested – Approval of all Closed Meeting Minutes from July.

8. ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION

OPEN SESSION – 4:45 PM (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION)

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. FLAG SALUTE

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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5. CLOSED SESSION ACTION TAKEN

Report on action(s) taken in closed session.

6. BOARD MEMBER REPORT OUTS

Board members may provide brief reports on attendance at conferences, educational programs, meetings with external organizations, community events, or other activities related to District business. No action will be taken on matters not otherwise listed on the agenda. Matters requiring further discussion or Board action may be referred to staff for follow-up or placed on a future agenda in accordance with applicable open meeting laws.

7. RECOGNITIONS

7.1. Presentation of Resolution 2298 to Victoria Hernandez in recognition as the Kaweah Health World Class Employee of the month – August 2026.

7.2. Team of the Month – August Patient Navigation Team

8. INTRODUCTIONS

8.1. Director of Facilities – Steven Thompson

8.2. Director of Application Services- Regina McCollum

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8.3. Director of Quality and Patient Safety – Farid Sheikh

8.4. Director of Nursing Staffing/Operations- Rebekah Foster

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and non-controversial by District staff and will be approved by one motion, unless a Board member, staff, or member of the public requests that an item be removed for separate discussion and action.

Public Participation

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

Action Requested – Approval of all items on the August 26, 2026, Consent Calendar.

[Consent Calendar Items 9.1 – 9.5 as presented]

Section	Item	Description	Type
9.1. REPORTS	A	Physician Recruitment	Receive and File
	B	Overall Strategic Plan	Receive and File
	C	Renal Services	Receive and File
	D	ARA Dialysis	Receive and File
	E	Rural Health Clinics	Receive and File
	F	Quarterly Compliance Report	Receive and File
	G	Semi-Annual Investments Report – June 30, 2026	Receive and File
	H	Patient Experience	Receive and File
9.2. MINUTES	A	Finance Property Services Acquisition Committee- July 15, 2026	Approve Minutes
	B	Quality Council Committee – July 16, 2026	Approve Minutes
	C	Audit and Compliance Charter	Approve Revisions
	D	Special Open Board Meeting- July 6, 2026	Approve Minutes
	E	Regular Open Board Meeting – July 22, 2026	Approve Minutes
9.3. POLICIES		Administrative Policies	
	A	AP133 Patient Elopement Critical Incident Response – Code Green	Approve Revisions
	B	AP49 No Information, No Presence in Facility Patient Status	Approve Revisions
		Environment of Care Policies	Approve Revisions
	B	EOC1001 Safety Management Plan	Approve Revisions

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9.4. MEC	C	EOC1034 Disruption of Services, Electrical	Reviewed
	D	EOC1036 Disruption of Service, Natural Gas	Approve Revisions
	E	EOC1040 Failure of High-Pressure Boilers	Reviewed
	F	EOC3007 Emergency Department Security	Reviewed
	G	EOC3014 Security Measures Involving VIP(s)	Reviewed
	H	EOC5001 Facility Fire Response Plan	Approve Revisions
	I	EOC6015 Hospital Electrical Safety Policy for Personal Items	Approve Revisions
	A	Medical Staff Bylaws	Approve Revisions
	B	MS52 Use of External Proctors	Approve Revisions
	C	Cardiovascular Medicine Privilege Form	Approve Revisions
9.5. DISTRICT	D	APP Certified Nurse Midwife	Approve Revisions

- 10. CARDIOLOGY SERVICE ACC REPORT** - The Board of Directors will receive an informational report regarding the Cardiology Service and the activities and findings of the ACC. The report will include an overview of relevant service-line activities, performance, quality, operational matters, and other information pertinent to the Cardiology Service.
- 11. STRATEGIC OVERSIGHT (MONTHLY REPORT) – PATIENT AND COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE**
Strategic Oversight discussion regarding organizational priorities, long-term planning initiatives, strategic objectives, operational alignment, community health needs, workforce considerations, and progress toward Board-approved strategic goals. The Board may provide direction to staff regarding strategic priorities and future planning efforts.
- 12. 401(k) PLAN CHANGES** - Staff will provide an overview of the proposed 401(k) plan changes, including the reasons for the changes, anticipated benefits, implementation timeline, and any impact to participating employees and the District. The Board will have an opportunity to discuss the proposed changes and consider approval of the plan amendments and related implementation documents.
Action Requested – Approval 401k 2026 Proposal.
- 13. FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**
Financial Stewardship report and discussion regarding the financial status of the District, including budget performance, revenue and expense trends, financial sustainability initiatives, capital planning,

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operational efficiencies, compliance considerations, and fiscal oversight responsibilities of the Board. The Board may provide direction to staff regarding financial priorities and oversight activities.

Action Requested – Approval July's Financials.

14. FUTURE GOVERNANCE TOPICS

Discussion regarding future governance topics, Board education opportunities, governance priorities, committee work planning, policy development, regulatory updates, and potential future agenda items to support effective governance and Board oversight responsibilities. The Board may provide direction to staff regarding future governance planning and educational priorities.

15. REPORTS

15.1. Chief of Staff Report- Report relating to current medical staff events and issues.

15.2. Chief Executive Officer Report - Report on current events and issues.

15.3. Board President - Report on current events and issues.

16. ADJOURNMENT

CLOSED SESSION – IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING OPEN SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CEO EVALUATION – Discussion with the Board and the Chief Executive Officer relative to the evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Government Code 54957(b)(1).

3. ADJOURN

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