

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SEQUOIA HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
June 1, 2022
Conference Room, 525 Veterans Boulevard
Redwood City, CA 94063**

Directors Present

Director Faro
Director Griffin
Director Martinez
Director Nayfack
Director Shefren

Directors Excused

Also Present

Pamela Kurtzman, CEO
Mr. Hudak, Legal Counsel
Ms. Stamper, Recorder

Due to recent Covid exposures to Sequoia Healthcare District staff, and for the health and safety of all participants, this meeting was held via Zoom.

1. Call to Order

President Shefren called the meeting to order at 4:30PM. Roll call attendance was taken. All Directors were present.

2. Public Comment/Non-Agenda Items

President Shefren asked if there was any public comment on non-agenda items. Bart Charlow of Samaritan House commented that Jason Wong will be leaving Samaritan House. Director Nayfack mentioned the tragedy of the Uvalde Texas school shooting.

3. Consent Calendar

Motion: To approve consent calendar.

By: Director Faro

Seconded by: Director Nayfack

Vote: Ayes -- Faro, Griffin, Martinez, Nayfack, Shefren

Nos --

Abstain --

Absent --

Motion Passed: 5-0

**4.a. Accept Resignation Of Board Member And Determine
Whether To Fill Vacancy By Election Or Appointment**

Director Faro announced that he will be leaving the Board effective June 2, 2022, and thanked all the Board and staff for their support over the years.

Director Griffin discussed the appropriateness of appointing a replacement vs. leaving the position open until the November election. State law requires the vacancy be filled within 60 days or the Board of Supervisors must fill it. Therefore, it is most appropriate in this case to appoint a director since Director Faro is unable to complete his term which ends in December.

Lee Michelson, Bart Charlow, Bill Graham, Jenny Bratton, Peter Olsen, Jerry Shefren, Pamela Kurtzman and Aaron Nayfack all congratulated Mr. Faro on his retirement and for all his years of exemplary service to the District.

Motion: To accept Director Faro's resignation from the Board and appoint a replacement in 60 days.

By: Director Shefren

Seconded by: Director Nayfack

Vote: Ayes -- Faro, Martinez, Nayfack, Shefren

Nos -- Griffin

Abstain --

Absent --

Motion Passed: 4-1

4.b. Approve Resolution 2022-04 Calling for Board Election: Zones A, C, E

Mr. Hudak presented Resolution 2022-04, determining the date and adopting provisions for the 2022 Sequoia Healthcare District general election as November 8, 2022 for Zones A, C and E.

Motion: To approve Resolution 2022-04.

By: Director Shefren

Seconded by: Director Faro

Vote: Ayes -- Faro, Griffin, Martinez, Nayfack, Shefren

Nos --

Abstain --

Absent --

Motion Passed: 5-0

4.c. Consider Adoption Of District Proposed Budget FY 2022-23

Ms. Kurtzman presented the proposed FY2022-2023 budget for review and comment. Additional details may be found in the board packet materials.

Motion: To approve the proposed FY2022-23 budget.

By: Director Nayfack

Seconded by: Director Griffin

Vote: Ayes -- Faro, Griffin, Martinez, Nayfack, Shefren

Nos --

Abstain --

Absent --

Motion Passed: 5-0

4.d. Consider Funding Request From Peninsula Volunteers For Up To \$98,000 To Support Rideshare Program FY 2022-2023

Kamila Najieb-Wachob of Peninsula Volunteers Inc. (PVI) runs the senior transportation program. During the period of May 2021 to April 2022, PVI provided 3208 rides to District residents. PVI would like to request a grant of \$98,000 to support their senior transportation program for FY 2022-23. They have partnered with AbilityPath, an organization that serves older adults with disabilities. Director Shefren would like information on how many unique people were served last year.

Motion: To approve a grant for Peninsula Volunteers for up to \$98,000 for FY2022-23 to support their transportation program.

By: Director Nayfack

Seconded by: Director Faro

Vote: Ayes -- Faro, Griffin, Martinez, Nayfack, Shefren

Nos --

Abstain --

Absent --
Motion Passed: 5-0

**4.e. Consider Grant Request From Sonrisas Dental Health
For Up To \$357,100 For FY 2022-2023 Grant**

Nigel Taverner reported that Sonrisas anticipates providing 2,500 visits, screening 700 students, teaching 50 Sequoia High School Health Career students and providing Residents 65+ patient navigation services in FY2022-23, and requests a grant of up to \$357,100. Additional details may be found in the board packet materials.

Motion: To approve a grant for Sonrisas Dental Health for up to \$357,000 for FY2022-23.

By: Director Nayfack

Seconded by: Director Faro

Vote: Ayes -- Faro, Griffin, Martinez, Nayfack, Shefren

Nos --

Abstain --

Absent --

Motion Passed: 5-0

**4.f. Consider Approval Of School Health Budget
For 2022-2023 For Up To \$4,850,000**

Dr. Li presented the Healthy Schools Initiative budget for FY2022-23. This year's goals include investment in ongoing projects and programs as well as delving into new pilots and offerings. Youth mental health continues to be a top priority, in addition to school staff and family health and wellness. Additional details may be found in the board packet materials.

Motion: To approve the Health Schools Initiative budget for FY2022-23 for up to \$4,850,000.

By: Director Nayfack

Seconded by: Director Shefren

Director Martinez dropped the Zoom call due to connectivity issues.

Vote: Ayes -- Faro, Griffin, Nayfack, Shefren

Nos --

Abstain --

Absent -- Martinez

Motion Passed: 4-0-0-1

**4.g. Consider Approval Of Community Grants Recommendations
For FY 2022-23 For \$4,050,000**

The grants committee recommended awarding 60 Caring Community grants equaling \$4.05 Million for FY 2022-23. 29 are two-year grants, 31 are one-year grants and 8 are new grants.

Director Martinez rejoined the meeting during this presentation.

It was noted that Director Martinez has an economic interest in PAL as its Executive Director.

Motion: To approve all grants as proposed except for the Police Activity League grant.

By: Director Faro

Seconded by: Director Nayfack

Vote: Ayes -- Faro, Griffin, Martinez, Nayfack, Shefren

Nos --

Abstain --

Absent --

Motion Passed: 5-0

Director Martinez recused himself from participation in discussion of the PAL grant and left the meeting.

Motion: To approve the Police Activity League grant.

By: Director Shefren

Seconded by: Director Nayfack

Vote: Ayes -- Faro, Griffin, Nayfack, Shefren

Nos --

Abstain -- Martinez

Absent --

Motion Passed: 4-0-1-0

Director Martinez rejoined the meeting.

4.h. Director Requests for Future Agenda Items per Board Policy 8.3

Director Griffin stated that we may need more covid planning for future waves of the disease. Director Shefren requested Board member volunteers for an AdHoc committee to recommend an interim Board member. Director Nayfack and staff member, Ms. Bratton and CEO Kurtzman volunteered.

5. CEO/Staff Reports

Ms. Kurtzman reported that investment income has been performing poorly and took a huge hit over the last 2 months of over \$100K for each portfolio. Robert Olsen left the company and our new account representative at Pettinelli Financial Partners is Dennis Pettinelli.

The Audit is still pending.

Ms. Bratton and CEO Kurtzman will clean up the strategic plans, email them to all board members and have a meeting to approve them at the end of June.

Director Nayfack left the meeting.

Ms. Garcia reported that the Health Fair was a success. Over 60 partners manned booths. A few highlights of the day included a kid zone with a bike rodeo, Zumba on the square, music from the Dan Ashley band, a silent disco, a raffle of items donated by the NFL association of the Bay Area and Redwood City Together, and much more. Ms. Garcia played a video created by students from the Boys and Girls Club of the event. Feedback has been positive.

Ms. Garcia reviewed Sequoia Strong analytics that were included in the Board packet and gave a quick look at the possible Sequoia Strong website redesign.

Ms. Bratton attended ACHD Legislative days and spoke with legislators.

Mr. Faro thanked everyone for being fantastic staff and board members.

6. Adjourn

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 7:06 PM.

By: Director Faro

Seconded by: Director Martinez

All in favor
Motion Passed

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Sequoia Healthcare District is scheduled for 4:30 PM, Wednesday, August 3, 2022, District Conference Room, 525 Veterans Blvd., Redwood City, CA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Nayfack, M.D.,
Secretary