

**Kimble County Hospital District  
MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, July 22, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**

Members present: Claudette Primeaux, Trey Sullivan, Bobby Chenault, Stan Schuster, Marshall Heap and Bill Simon. Barbara Conklin was unable to attend. Preferred Hospital Leasing Junction: Duke Young. Visitors: Junction Eagle reporter: Sara Harrison along with her husband Larry Harrison. Attending on behalf of Kimble Hospital Foundation Board are Judi Simon and Johnna Blackburn.

**1. Call to order and establish quorum.**

A quorum was established. The meeting was called to order by Board President Primeaux at 6:07 p.m. in the conference room of the Kimble Hospital. Mr. Schuster opened the meeting with prayer.

**2. Public comment (limited to 5 minutes/participant or 15 minutes/organization).**

There were no public comments.

**3. Approval of prior meeting minutes (June 24, 2019).**

The board reviewed the minutes from June 24, 2019. No issues were noted.

*Mr. Sullivan made the motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Simon, motion passed 6-0, unanimously approved by all members present.*

**4. Discuss and consider update on activities and projects from Kimble Hospital Foundation.**

Judi Simon (supported by Johnna Blackburn) from the Kimble Hospital Foundation Board updated the District on Foundation activities and any possible grant work. This is all in light of Charles Loeffler's stepping down from the Foundation Board. Charles was instrumental in communicating to the District Board (for many years) all the activities and grant work taking place with the Foundation. Judi and Johnna were at tonight's meeting to continue that channel of communication and bring the Board current on Foundation activity. Much discussion was had about grants and where funds had been used previously, currently and future activity.

*No action was required and none was taken.*

**5. Discuss and consider update by Preferred on operation of KCHD's medical facilities and administration.**

Mr. Young gave an update on the activities at the Hospital and Clinic for June 2019.

**1. Hospital/ Clinic Reports**

**a. Key Statistics**

**i. June inpatient days were down 46%**

1. Outpatient Services
2. Radiology up 1%
3. Physical Therapy down 28%
4. Laboratory down 3%

**ii. ER Visits were up 14%**

**iii. Clinic Visits down 4%**

**iv. Patient Transfers up 78%**

**2. Capital Projects**

**i. Two members re-credentialed: Good for another 2 years**

**a. Bernard Gerber, MD Heritage Psychologist**

**b. Thomas Ducker, MD GI Specialist**

**3. Quality and Safety**

**a. Infection Control 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr.**

0%/None ---deficiencies/issues

**b. Compliance: HIPPA, EMTALLA,  
Billing audits**

0%/None---- deficiencies/issues

**4. Peer Review 14 charts Quarterly Review  
compliance-- no issues**

Reviewed by Texas A&M Physicians Peer Group 100%

Mr. Schuster had questions about Medicare payer mix. Mr. Young answered; more discussion ensued from board members. Mr. Young added some comments about Medicaid reimbursements in the future (to the better). Mr. Young entertained considerable discussion from various members of the Board on the report he had given. Mr. Young reported that the AVERA program was working well and being used by the medical staff ---a great help. Mr. Young concluded his report.

*No action was required and none was taken.*

**6. Discuss terms and conditions of Kimble County/AirMedCare (Air Evac) contract now in effect (No action required).**

Board President Primeaux reported in detail on the contract that was renewed (AirMedCare) and the one that chose not to participate (Air Methods). Reasons for the company that did not renew were relayed by Board President Primeaux (as it was explained to her). Board President Primeaux reported that KCHD (as previously voted by the Board) has paid half of the renewal contract and the County the other half to AirMedCare only. There will be no County contract with AirMethods. Much discussion was had among the Board members and Mr. Young also had input from the Hospital's aspect.

Board President Primeaux concluded her report---*No action was taken.*

**7. Discuss and consider KCHD Treasurer's reports (financial, budget, and bill payments).**

Mr. Sullivan presented the financials and bills to be paid and transactions to be made.

Actions presented for approval:

1. Transfer \$577,050 from JNB CMS Reimbursement Jumbo CD#30733 to I&S JNB Bond Checking Account #101878 for August Bond Payment.
2. Make Bond Payment August 15, 2019 \$ 993,550.00.
3. Reimbursement of \$ 335.00 to Mr. Chenault for cost of THT Conference he attended (an invoice was submitted from the conference).
4. Request from Mr. Sullivan to transfer \$500,000.00 from JNB Checking Account #69639 to a higher interest yielding JNB Jumbo CD # 300731

*Mr. Schuster made a motion to approve the financials as presented for the month of July 2019, seconded by Mr. Heap, motion passed 6-0.*

*Mr. Simon made a motion to approve payment of the bills as presented and authorize Mr. Sullivan to transfer funds as requested, seconded by Mr. Schuster, motion passed 6-0.*

**8. Discuss and consider draft budget for 2019 -2020 in preparation for tax rate calculations.**

Mr. Sullivan openly worked through the current budget---items on target and items that were not. Adjustments were discussed and a rough outline was made for next meeting to be discussed further and possible action to be taken then.

*No action was taken.*

**9. Discuss and consider date and agenda items for next meeting(s).**

Board President Primeaux presented a topic for discussion for next meeting having to do with KCHD possibly being named an Urgent Care Facility for Veterans---this coming to her from local Veteran Affairs person, Don Glover.

The next meeting date was scheduled for Monday August 26th at 6 pm.

**10. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Bobby Chenault, Board Secretary