

Kimble County Hospital District
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, January 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Bill Simon, Bobby Chenault, Barbara Conklin, Lewis Allen, Marshall Heap and Nicholas Lumbley. Paul Bierschwale was unable to attend. Preferred Hospital Leasing, Junction, Inc.; Duke Young PHLJ Hospital Administrator.

Visitors: Junction Eagle reporter: Sarah Harrison and husband Larry.

1. Call to order and establish quorum.

A quorum was established, 6 members present. The meeting was called to order by Board President Simon at 6:01 p.m. in the conference room of the Kimble Hospital. Mr. Allen opened the meeting with prayer.

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

No public comments were made.

3. Approval of prior meeting minutes: November 30, 2020.

Board President Simon led the board to review and adopt the minutes presented. After review of the November 30, 2020 minutes; *Mrs. Conklin made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Mr. Heap seconded the motion, the motion passed 6-0.*

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

Mr. Young gave his report on the activities at the Hospital and Clinic to date:

1. Hospital/ Clinic Reports.

a. Key Statistics

i.	Inpatient days	up	24%
ii.	Outpatient Services		
	1. Radiology	up	31%
	2. Laboratory	up	24%
iii.	ER Visits were	down	6%
iv.	Clinic Visits	down	16%
v.	Patient Transfers	up	30%

2. Covid19 Community Update: Young reported a surge in covid infections in the community just after Thanksgiving. Young reported on how the hospital and clinic managed the surge in patience testing and treatments. Young also reported on the first round distribution of the vaccine and the anticipated date of the next round of vaccine distribution.

3. Edwards County update: Mr. Young reported that Rocksprings clinic should be open for business the week of January 25th.

No action was required and none was taken.

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

Mrs. Conklin presented the current financials through January 2021 and also reported on bills paid. Board President Simon called for action on the presented financials. An error on the presented budget was noticed upon Board review.

Heap made a motion to approve the financials with the corrected budget item, the motion was seconded by Allen and the motion passed 6-0.

6. Discuss and consider 2021 Hospital District election calendar.

District President Simon opened the item with discussion over the up and coming 2021 election season for the District. Current members with terms expiring are Chenault and Conklin. Simon stated that applications for membership would be available at the hospital business desk. It was thought that February 12th was last day (deadline) for applications to be turned in, President Simon would confirm this.

7. Discuss and consider website.

Chenault reported to the board that the District website host and site maintenance firm was no longer going to be able to continue to do this work for the District. A new host and site maintenance firm would have to be contracted before the end of April 2021. The domain name was not up for renewal until November of 2021---there was no problem there. Discussion ensued among the board members as how best to find a replacement firm. Chenault asked Young about Preferred. Young agreed to seek information on firm used by PHLJ. It was also brought up that a local individual in the community did this type of work. Both avenues will be pursued and information to be brought back to February meeting for further discussion and consideration. Action deferred to February meeting.

8. Discuss and consider letter from KCAD.

Conklin reported on a letter to the District from KCAD on funds being left over from the KCAD 2019 budget (backed up by an audit of the KCAD). These funds are to be turned back to the entities in which they came from. This information has been sent in a letter from the KCAD to all entities including the Kimble County Hospital District. In this letter, KCAD has requested the option to keep the excess funds to be used for hiring a deputy chief appraiser. KCAD asked for the Kimble County Hospital District board to discuss this request and get back with them ASAP. Much discussion ensued over this matter amongst the board members. More information was wanted. *Allen made a motion to table the matter to be taken back up at Februarys District meeting, the motion was seconded by Heap and the motion passed 6-0.*

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

President Simon then led the board to set a date for the next regularly scheduled KCHD Board meeting for February 15th 2021 at 6:00 pm in the Kimble Hospital meeting room. Items were discussed to be placed on the agenda.

10. Adjourn.

Simon called for meeting adjournment; *Chenault made the motion, Conklin seconded and the motion passed 6-0.* The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted:


Bobby Chenault, Board Secretary