

Kimble County Hospital District
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, April 25, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Bill Simon, Bobby Chenault (via zoom), Barbara Conklin, Lewis Allen, Marshall Heap, Nicholas Lumbley and Paul Bierschwale. Preferred Corporate Office; Jared Chanski Executive Vice President (via zoom) and John O’Hearn acting administrator-interim.

Visitors: Mike Gosney and Junction Eagle reporter: Larry Harrison for Sarah

1. Call to order and establish quorum.

A quorum was established, all members present. The meeting was called to order by Board President Simon at 6:00 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 comment.

3. Approval of prior meeting minutes: March 28, 2022

Board President Simon led the board to review and adopt the regular scheduled monthly KCHD Board meeting minutes presented for March 28, 2022;

Mrs. Conklin made a motion to approve the March 28, 2022 minutes as presented and Mr. Lumbley seconded the motion, the motion passed 7-0.

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

John O’Hearn reported on the activities at the Hospital and Clinic to date:

I. Hospital/ Clinic Reports.

a. Key Statistics

i. Inpatient days	48
ii. Outpatient Services	
1. JMC	481
2. RSMC	97
3. Radiology	297
4. Laboratory	1746
iii. Emergency Department	161

II. Kimble County Covid:

a. March 2022

- I. Confirmed-1**
- II. Deaths- 0**
- III. Hospital Vaccine Rate -98%**

III. Capital Equipment:

- a. Purchased 4 Nihon Kohden monitors**
- b. Purchase of new ultrasound (covid money)**

IV. Equipment:

V. Medical Staff

O'Hearn discussed possible purchase of security cameras (covid money). More discussion about foundation issues search for possible forensic structural evaluator. O'Hearn informed the board of the upcoming "Hospital Week" (May 12) and plans to honor employees of the hospital.

No official action was required and none was taken.

5. Executive session employee.

Simon called the board into executive session at 6:18 pm. The board came out of executive session at 6:43 pm. The board meeting went back in to regular session at 6:44 pm with the following action taken in open session;

A motion was made by Board Treasurer Conklin to begin the search for a new audit firm for the District. Mr. Lumbley seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Board President made a motion to form a committee to search for a new audit firm for the District. Mr. Beirschwale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously---with Mrs. Conklin, Mr. Lumbley and Mr. Allen agreeing to serve on this committee.

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

Mrs. Conklin presented the current financials through April 25, 2022. No bills were presented.

Board President Simon called for action on the presented financials.

Mr. Lumbley made a motion to approve the financials as presented, the motion was seconded by Mr. Bierschwale and the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discuss and consider health care issues for KCHD and Kimble County.

There is no new information on the indigent care policies. Much discussion was had among members and Preferred on this issue. Mr. Chanski and Mr. O'Hearn (Preferred) along with KCHD Board representation (as available---not a quorum) agreed to pursue a future meeting (with Kimble County entities involved) to seek a solution to this issue.

8. Discuss and consider 2022 Board elections.

Board President Simon discussed the need to place a notice in The Junction Eagle to seek out a replacement member for Mr. Heap (term has been completed May 2022).

Mr. Allen made a motion to authorize Board President Simon to place a notice in The Junction Eagle for a two week period seeking applications to fill the vacated KCHD board seat for a full term, Mr. Heap seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9. Discuss and consider buildings and grounds repair.

After discussion, and in consideration of the cost of possible hospital foundation repair, *Mr. Lumbley made a motion to table the driveway/road repairs for now, Mr. Bierschwale seconded and the motion passed unanimously.*

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

President Simon led the board to set a date for the next regularly scheduled KCHD Board meeting for May 23th 6pm.

11. Adjourn.

Bierschwale made a motion for adjournment. Board President Simon closed the meeting at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted:


Bobby Chenault, Board Secretary