



**Health Center (HC) Board Minutes
April 28, 2021**

The Health Center Board met via Go To Meeting.

Present: Consumer Members: Filipino Chappelle, Lee Herrington, Cynthia Guerrero, Celia Lee, Wm Darrel Gardner
Community Members: Skip Szymanski (Chair), Emily Casarez (Co-Chair), Arianna Castellanos, Lauren Geeb
Non-Voting Member: Dana Gamble, Health Center Executive Director
Staff: Kendall Johnston, Polly Baldwin, Melissa Gomez, Elvia Lopez, Michael Camacho-Craft, Elvira Briones-Arellano,
Guests/Speaker: None

Agenda Items

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Chair Szymanski at 12:03pm.

II. Review and Approve Minutes from the March 24, 2021 Meeting

The March minutes were reviewed by the Board and there were no public comments. Mr. Gardner motioned that the minutes be approved by the Board; Mr. Chappelle seconded.

Motion carried with one abstention.

III. Roll Call, Sign In and Quorum Established.

Chair Szymanski requested the virtual attendees do a roll call and verified that a quorum was established.

IV. Public Comment: None

V. Old Business: None

VI. New Business: None

VIII. Standing Reports: Chair Szymanski requested that the Policy review agenda item be brought before the Board prior to the financial report due to member time constraints.

1. Policy Review –Ms. Casarez

Mr. Herrington informed the Board that the policy review committee had reviewed the policies presented in April and found them all to be correct. There were no public comments. Ms. Casarez motioned that the Board vote to approve the policies presented in April 2021; Mr. Herrington seconded.

Motion Carried Unanimously

[Ms. Casarez left the meeting at 12:15pm]

2. March 2021 Monthly and Quarter-End Financial Report Report-Ms. Jacobson

Ms. Jacobson began her presentation by reviewing the year-to-date percentages for revenue and expenditures. While the YTD deficit is \$1,408,954, Ms. Jacobson expressed that PHD will receive potential funds coming out of the American Rescue Plan Act. The ARPA funds are geared toward COVID testing, vaccination, treatment and workforce sustainability and may be used to cover the staffing and resources that were re-directed to disaster response. Revenues for Medi-Cal, Medicare, State/local funds and Self-pay are all underbudget, with the Federal 330 grant funds being over budget by almost \$300,000. Expenditures are also underbudget, with the health center administrators and staff being redirected toward COVID response efforts, resulting in lower amount of salaries and benefits. Revenue for the quarter is below budget at 91.3% while quarterly expenses appear to be more on track with the budget at 94.5%. Ms. Jacobson concluded her presentation by displaying a photo of the staff at the Lompoc vaccination clinic and applauding them for their efforts in protecting the community. There were no comments from the public.

Mr. Gardner motioned that the Board approve the March monthly and quarter-end financial reports; Mr. Herrington seconded.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

3. Provider Appointments-None this Month

4. Quality Measures Report-Ms. Gomez

Ms. Gomez presented the quality performance measures for the month of March 2021.

Diabetes A1c: There was a slight increase for the month and Ms. Gomez highlighted that the chart displayed to the Board reflects 3 years' worth of averages and then the past three months for comparison.

Hypertension: There has been a steady decrease with this measure because Health Center staff cannot document the blood pressure rate if they cannot see the reading, whether in person or virtually. CenCal was able to work with the Lompoc Health Center to provide in-home monitoring equipment to help patients track their levels.

Depression w/Intervention: This measure saw a slight increase in March. Health Center staff work hard to address this as in person visits begin to resume. Many patients are currently overdue for screening.

Pediatric Depression w/intervention: This subset of the previous measure saw a 3% increase last month.

Breast Cancer Screening: This measure saw a minor increase in March.

Patient Satisfaction (Wait Time to see provider). Ms. Gomez highlighted that the survey questions had been changed and that the results from Health Center visits done virtually are separated out from those done in-person at the clinic.

Continued improvement of these measures as PHD adjusts to telemedicine, is expected. CenCal will soon be partnering with the Santa Maria Health Center to focus on in-home BP monitoring for their patients, same as what they had done at LHCC. PHD has received grants related behavioral health, maternal health and diabetic patients which is expected to improve both the DM A1C and depression screening with intervention measures. There were no public comments.

5. Executive Director's Report-Mr. Gamble

Mr. Gamble began his monthly report by informing the Board that while the data he will be presenting is identical to what his predecessor, Dr. Metz, presented, he will be working to modify the format for what is most useful to the Board. At the end of March and throughout April, the Health Centers have been directly involved with the vaccination efforts in North, South and Mid County by using the vaccine allocated by HRSA for the Health Center project. First dose vaccinations began March 28 in Lompoc for 1 week, then Santa Maria and Santa Barbara the subsequent weeks, with second dose clinics starting in Lompoc on April 18. Once the second doses are complete, PHD will have vaccinated approximately 30,000 individuals, all while still facilitating regular health center visits. Mr. Gamble also informed the Board that clinical laboratory services will cease effective May 31 and to be completely shut down by June 30. June 1 – June 30 will allow time to address and trouble shoot issues. In reviewing the patient volume reports and graphs, Chair Szymanski requested that the future versions of the executive director report also show an average of how many patients are seen at each health center per day. There were no public comments.

6. COVID 19 Update-Mr. Gamble

Mr. Gamble commended everyone for their individual efforts in helping the county advance to the State's Orange tier. He directed the Board to the Community Dashboard (link [Here](#)) to review the vaccination rates in the county, with almost 30% of the population being fully vaccinated. As of April 26, over 330,000 doses had been administered, including those provided from PHD and participating pharmacies such as CVS, Walgreens and RiteAid. There were no public comments.

VII. Member Announcements:

- The Santa Barbara Independent mistakenly released an article showing that the Santa Barbara Housing Authority purchased the local youth hostel. Chair Szymanski clarified that while the Housing Authority is interested in potentially purchasing the building, the sale has not been finalized.
- Chair Szymanski notified the Board that it was recently announced that Alice Gleghorn, current Director of Behavioral Wellness will be retiring soon. Chair Szymanski suggested that a member of the Health Center Board on the interview panel for Ms. Gleghorn's replacement, so as to strengthen the relationship between Public Health and BWell.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 1:16pm.