FINAL APPROVED February 6, 2024, WMCSHCD BOARD MEETING MINUTES

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES SPECIAL HEALTH CARE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING February 6, 2024, 1:00 p.m. 1-346-248-7799 to Join Zoom Meeting or logging into <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84551745837</u> Meeting ID: 845 5174 5837

- 1. <u>Call to Order -</u> The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jerry Campeau at 1:06 p.m. Jason Kirk, Wes Babers, Gail Nelson, Levi Penrod, and Mark Wade were present.
- 2. <u>Roll Call of Directors</u>: Jerry Campeau, Linda Martin and Mike Nuttall were present. Derek Kidwell and Sandy Crabtree were excused. Dana Overson, Administrator, was also present.
- 3. <u>Call to Public:</u> No Call to the Board.
- 4. <u>Approval of Minutes of Director's Regular and Executive Board Meetings October 23,</u> <u>2023.</u> ACTION REQUIRED. **ACTION TAKEN: Linda Martin moved to approve** the Minutes of the Regular and Executive Director's meetings on 10.23.2023. Mike Nuttall seconded the motion; Vote carried unanimously.
- 5. <u>Review/Approval of the District 4th Quarter ending 6.30.23 financials and 1st Quarter ending 9.30.2023 financials</u>. Only the 4th Quarter ending 6.30.2023 financials are available due to software and staffing issues at the county. ACTION TAKEN: Jerry Campeau moved to approve the 4th Quarter ending 6.30.2023 financials and table the 1st Quarter ending 9.30.2023 financials when provided. Linda Martin seconded the motion; Vote carried unanimously.
- <u>Review/Discussion 24-25 Funding applications and timelines</u>. In the draft funding application the application due date states April 10, 2024, followed by the requirement of attendance at the District Board Meeting in May; the date to be determined. ACTION TAKEN: Linda Martin moved to approve the Application for Funding FY 24-25 as drafted. Mike Nuttall seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. <u>Report from WMAS</u>: Gail Nelson reported for the year ending they had 1,478 logged calls, 1,182 billable and 296 canceled. This is an increase from last year. Jerry Campeau asked if the border situation had increased the charity care or write offs for any or all the providers. Gail Nelson explained that they had not had issue with that in particular; rather, the Healthcare Advantage Programs have indeed been an issue with payment. Wes Babers added that the Hospital is drafting a letter in support of AZHHA HB 2035 which improves insurance transparency for patients and healthcare providers.
- 8. <u>Report from WMRMC</u>: Wes Babers reported the ED expansion project due to be completed in June. The addition has been roughed-in, so the weather is not a problem. Answering the charity care question Jerry Campeau asked; the hospital has not experienced

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an impact. The hospital has a board membership committee to tackle recruitment of board members. The committee and board have worked well together. Board seats are 4-year terms/2 years per seat. The current board members are Dr. Hopkins, Dr. Sielski, Mark Baca and Tony Raykovitz. After interviews and proposals for more members there will be a total of nine members. The committee is focusing on diversity.

- 9. <u>Report from SJ EMS</u>: Jason Kirk reported year end medical events at 1,054. Ambulance purchase-drawings in hand. The sticker shock \$308,000 for a new build ambulance without power load or gurneys! Add another \$55,000 for the powerload/gurney added. There is a 24-30 month delivery window. This year is a Medicare audit window. Jerry Campeau questioned the 911 project progress. There is a generic hold moving funding to second quarter 2024 by Apache County totaling \$182,000; Apache County will fund the entire project.
- 10. <u>Ratify November 2023 Election Results approved by the BOS 11.16.23</u>: ZOOM abruptly ended the meeting @ 1:47. Items 10-13 were not addressed. These items will be added to the next regular board meeting. Due to the abrupt Zoom disconnect, the normal procedure of officially closing the meeting was not performed.

Minutes approved by the Board of Directors on: 5.7.2024