Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Del Norte Healthcare District September 23, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL: Directors Babich, Caldwell, Young and Chair Pearcey present Absent: Director Mason. Excused absence.
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- 4. CONSENT CALENDAR:
 - a. Ratification of invoices paid from 8/21/2025 9/17/2025.
 - b. Approval of financial report for August 2025.

Director Young made a motion to approve the consent calendar as submitted. Director Babich seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

5. REVIEW/POSSIBLE REVISION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 26, 2025, MEETING.

Director Caldwell made a motion to approve the August 26, 2025, minutes as corrected. Chair Pearcey seconded the motion.

Motion passed 3 – 0

Abstain 1

6. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Open Door: No one in attendance.

- 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
 - A. **BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE:** (Directors Young & Caldwell)

Nothing to report.

B. COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE: (Chair Pearcey & Director Babich)

Nothing to report.

C. HEALTHCARE EXPANSION:

- 1. Community Food Council: (Directors Caldwell and Babich)
 - Discussion/Possible approval of the request by the Del Norte and
 Tribal Lands Food Council to lease the building at 510 E.
 Washington Blvd with the improvements listed.

The Del Norte and Tribal Lands Food Council was awarded 2 million dollar grant from the California Department of Food and Agriculture. Use permit will be done by September 2025. There are some repair items that need to be done to the 510 E. Washington location prior to DNTLFC moving into the location. There is a cold storage unit that would need to be placed on the property.

Director Babich made a motion to approve the cold storage container as a revocable license on the exterior placement.

Director Caldwell seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 4 - 0

- 2. Recruitment and Retention: (Director Caldwell)
 Nothing at this time.
- 3. Mental/Public Health Updates: (Janel Obenchain)

Entered 1st stage of CHIP which is child abuse, then behavioral health and medical availability.

D. HEALTH PROMOTION:

- 1. Swimming Programs: (Director Young). Nothing at this time.
- Non-emergency Transport: (Director Young)
 In county availability to be transported to medical appointments by RCTA. A plan is being discussed, and we should know something by November 1st, 2025.

8. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: See attached report.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Discussion/Possible approval of the letter of support for the volunteer fire personnel of Del Norte County and where the letter is to be posted.

Chair Pearcey made a motion to approve the letter of support for the volunteer fire personnel. Director Caldwell seconded the motion.

Motion passed 4-0.

b. Coastal Hospice Inc. Please see attached letters as informational items.

Chair Pearcey made a motion to amend the agenda to reflect a discussion and possible approval of the request from Coastal Hospice Inc. for \$150,000 for the purchase of their building. Director Babich seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Director Young made a motion to approve the request for \$150,000 from Coastal Hospice Inc. for the purchase of the building and to be deposited directly into the escrow account. For acquisition as intended by both parties. Director Caldwell seconded the motion.

Motion passed 4-0.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Discussion/Possible approval of the request by College of the Redwoods curriculum development. Please see attached letter.

The board would like further discussion with College of the Redwoods. Directors Young and Caldwell to meet with them.

b. Discussion/Possible approval of Resolution 2025-01 which is a resolution defining a goal and plan of the district's mission is to maintain, improve, and restore the health of everyone in our community including through the use of financial assistance, including the use of grants, to organizations as may be necessary for the use of the district's real property, building, and lease in which a food bank shall acquire, store, prepare, distribute healthy food distribution, which operational objectives are hereby deemed to continue to be an "agency use" with a direct nexus to the district's restated bylaws.

Need further discussion with counsel. Add to October agenda.

- 11. INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORS REPORT OF ACTIVITIES: Nothing at this time.
- 12. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ANY CLOSED SESSION ITEMS: Nothing at this time.
- 13. ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION:
- 14. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND REPORT OF ANY ACTION:
- **15. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at p.m. 6.35

Minutes prepared and submitted by:	Minutes approved by: