

# BEXAR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS

Tuesday, December 10, 2024
6:00 pm
Cypress Room, University Hospital
4502 Medical Drive
San Antonio, Texas 78229

#### **MINUTES**

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jimmy Hasslocher, Chair Anita L. Fernandez, Vice Chair Margaret Kelley, MD, Secretary Patricia (Pat) Jasso Beverly Watts Davis David Cohen, MD Melinda Rodriguez

# **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Edward Banos, President/Chief Executive Officer, University Health Bill Phillips, Executive Vice President/Interim Chief Operating Officer, University Health Reed Hurley, Executive Vice President/Chief Financial Officer, University Health Serina Rivela, Vice President / Chief Legal Officer, University Health

Dr. Bryan Alsip, Executive VP, Chief medical Officer, University Health

Travis Smith, Sr. Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Clinical Operations, University Health Dina Perez-Graham, Sr. Vice President, Chief Nursing Executive, University Health

Leni Kirkman, Executive VP, Chief Marketing, Communications & Corporate Affairs Officer, University
Health

Andrew Smith, Executive Director, Government Relations and Public Policy

Horacio Vasquez, Executive Director, Supply Chain Management, University Health

Robert Hromas, MD, Acting President, President and Professor of Medicine, Vice President for Medical Affairs, UT Health San Antonio

Robert Leverence, MD, Acting Vice President of Medical Affairs

Michael Little, MD, President, Medical/Dental Staff, University Health; and Associate Professor, Department of Anesthesiology, UT Health SA

Theresa Scepanski, President and CEO, Community First Health Plans

Carol Huber, Deputy Chief Public Health & Equity Officer, University Health

Jennifer Rodriguez, Vice President, Chief Pharmacy Officer, Pharmacotherapy & Pharmacy Services, University Health Elizabeth Allen, Director, External Communications, Corporate Communications, University Health Josh Nieto, Chief Compliance, HIPPA Officer, University Health

Dr. Sally Taylor, Sr. Vice President, Chief Behavioral Medicine, University Health

Larry Wallis, Director, Internal Audit, University Health

Ted Day, Executive Vice President, Strategic Planning & Business Development, University Health Anna Taranova, Vice President, Chief of Public Health, Innovation and Equity Officer, University Health Laura Farley, Sr. Director, Community Initiatives and Population Health Development, University Health Dr. Mercedes Ingram, Sr. Director, Community Initiatives and Population Health Development, University Health

Luis Luna, Assistant Director, Community Initiatives and Population Health Development, University Health

Ana Vera, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, NPD-BC, Executive Director, Nursing Research, University Health Shelley Kofler, Senior Public Relations Manager, Corporate Communications, University Hospital Gennine Yahya, DNP, MSN, RN, CCRN, NE-BC, Executive Director 8 Sky, University Health Michael Payne, MSN, RN, CCRN, Executive Director, 9 Sky, University Health And other attendees.

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mr. Hasslocher called the Board meeting to order at 6:09 pm.

## INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE — JIMMY HASSLOCHER, CHAIR

Invocation – Julie Rowe, University Health Chaplain — Jimmy Hasslocher, Chair

Mr. Hasslocher led the pledge of allegiance.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Dr. Taylor Eighmy, UTSA President, provided comments regarding the merger between UT Health Science and UTSA and emphasized the importance of the relationship is. And appreciates the service and health care he and his wife have received in the past. Dr. Eighmy noted importance of the Capitol Projects that are on the horizon and the continued partnership between University Health and UT Health. He is looking forward to the Partnership and the continued work amongst the two institutions. The merger officially start on Sept. 1, 2025.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** November 19, 2024 (Regular Meeting)

**SUMMARY:** The minutes of the Board meetings of Tuesday, November 19, 2024 were

submitted for the Board's approval.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of the minutes as submitted.

COMMENTS / DISCUSSIONS: None

ACTION: A MOTION to APPROVE staff's recommendation was made by Ms.

Fernandez, SECONDED by Ms. Watts Davis, and PASSED

UNANIMOUSLY.

EVALUATION: None FOLLOW UP: None

Report from UT Health San Antonio — *Robert Hromas, MD.*, Acting President and Professor of Medicine, Vice President for Medical Affairs, UT Health San Antonio

<u>SUMMARY:</u> Dr. Hromas followed up on welcoming Dr. Eighmy and the future merger of UT Health and UTSA. Brain Health Building under construction with 5 floors and talked about the new technology to demonstrate the development of Alzheimer's in the brain. This innovation helps create a rehabilitation program for Dementia Patients and will provide correlation for the patients DNA and help in counseling family members in their healthcare. Dr. Little added comments regarding the patients that have dementia and have cognitive impairments. He also commented on the ongoing IV Fluid shortage and how the teams are proactively utilizing the use of IV Fluids. Dr. Leverence commented on the opening of the Cancer Hospital that holds 12 beds and capable of providing advanced therapies and stem cell transplants to compliment the work done at University Health.

Public Hearing of Proposed Mandatory Payment for the Bexar County Hospital District Local Provider Participation Fund for Fiscal Year 2025 — *Jimmy Hasslocher, Chair* 

<u>SUMMARY</u>: Mr. Reed Hurley provided a brief explanation of the Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) that are due and the Local Provider Participation Fund (LPPF). A brief discussion ensued. Mr. Hasslocher thank Mr. Reed Hurley for his presentation and explanations to the Board's questions and will now call for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Mandatory Payment for the Bexar County Hospital District Local Provider Participation Fund (LPPF) for Fiscal Year 2025 at 6:39pm. There were no Citizens present at this meeting for comments on the presented Agenda item and Mr. Hasslocher ending Public Hearing at 6:40pm.

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding a Resolution Setting the Maximum Rate of Mandatory Payment(s) for the Bexar County Hospital District's Local Provider Participation Fund Through Fiscal Year 2025 — Edward Banos/Reed Hurley

<u>SUMMARY</u>: Mr. Reed Hurley provided a brief explanation of the Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) that are due and the Local Provider Participation Fund (LPPF). In particular, the LPPF program was created in order to generate revenue from a mandatory payment that may be required by University Health from an institutional health care provider to fund certain intergovernmental transfers for a supplemental Medicaid payment program or Medicaid managed care rate enhancements. One of the requirements of the program is to hold a public hearing before adoption of the LPPF rate by means of a resolution of the Board.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Board of Managers' the attached Resolution Setting a Maximum Rate of Mandatory Payment(s) For the Bexar County Hospital District's Local Provider Participation Fund Through Fiscal Year 2025 authorizing the Bexar County Hospital District to set the 2025 assessment rate for the Bexar County Hospital District Local Provider Participation Fund at 6.0 percent.

<u>COMMENTS / DISCUSSIONS</u>: A brief discussion ensued.

ACTION: A MOTION to APPROVE staff's recommendation was made by Ms.

Fernandez, SECONDED by Ms. Watts Davis, and PASSED

UNANIMOUSLY.

**EVALUATION:** None FOLLOW UP: None

## NEW BUSINESS - CONSENT AGENDA - JIMMMY HASSLOCHER, VICE CHAIR

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding Medical-Dental Staff Membership and Privileges — Michael Little, M.D., President, Medical/Dental Staff

<u>SUMMARY</u>: The Credentials Committee met on November 25, 2024 and reviewed the credential files of the individuals listed on the attached Credentials Report and the Professional Performance Evaluation Report. In its meeting of December 3, 2024, the Executive Committee of the Medical-Dental Staff recommended approval of the Credentials Committee Report.

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding Medical-Dental Staff Recommendations for Professional Practice Evaluations and Delineation of Privileges — Michael Little, M.D., President, Medical/Dental Staff

<u>SUMMARY</u>: The Credentials Committee met on November 25, 2024 and reviewed proposed revisions to Delineation of Privilege and the Professional Performance Evaluation Report and forms. In its meeting of December 3, 2024, the Executive Committee of the Medical-Dental Staff recommended approval the attached Delineation of Privileges and Focused/Ongoing Professional Performance Evaluation Report.

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding an Amendment of Professional Services Agreement with RDE System Support Group, LLC in support of Ryan White Part A and Ending the HIV Epidemic, Funded through the Health Resources and Services Administration — Anna Taranova, M.D.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: As the landscape of HIV healthcare continues to change, this collaboration allows us to meet the needs of the HIV population effectively and facilitate prompt linkage to care, thus positively impacting the quality of care, safety, patient experience, and operational efficiency. Therefore, the proposed activities will reaffirm and emphasize our commitment to promoting the community's good health and improving the delivery of patient care. Staff recommends approval of a revised agreement with the RDE System Support Group to enhance services for eligible patients for an increase of \$275,000 for a revised total of \$1,698,200.00 funded by Ending the HIV Epidemic and Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program funds for a four year term.

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding Purchasing Activities (See Attachment A) — Reed Hurley/Travis Smith

<u>SUMMARY</u>: University Health's Purchasing Consent attachment for the month of December 2024 includes 13 proposed contracts for Board of Managers action. The total requested Board of Managers approval for these 13 contracts is \$14,685,937. Additional Presented contracts during the December 2024 Board of Managers meeting total \$15,356,588 and are considered for approval separate from the Purchasing Consent Attachment A.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends Board of Manager's approval of:

1) Purchasing Consent Agenda Items; and,

2) Purchasing Consent Attachment "A" in the amount of \$14,685,937

COMMENTS / DISCUSSIONS: None

**ACTION:** A **MOTION** to **APPROVE** staff's recommendation was made by Dr. Kelley,

SECONDED by Dr. Cohen, and PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

EVALUATION: None. FOLLOW UP: None

# **Action Items:**

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding a Master Affiliation Agreement with UT Health San Antonio — Edward Banos/Bryan Alsip, M.D

<u>SUMMARY</u>: The Master Affiliation Agreement provides the foundation of the philosophical, financial and legal basis for aligning University Health facilities, physicians, and other providers with UT Health San Antonio physicians and providers across the health care continuum. The fundamental principles outlined in this agreement have far-reaching implications for the overall strategic direction of University Health as it defines the parameters of the relationship with one of University Health's principal partners. Purposeful alignment of the priorities of UT Health San Antonio is a key element of University Health's strategic plan.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the Board of Managers approve and authorize the President/CEO to execute the amended Master Affiliation Agreement with University of Texas Health Science Center (UT Health San Antonio).

<u>COMMENTS / DISCUSSIONS</u>: Brief discussion ensued on Stipends and Benefits and payments made. University Health and UT Health rotate on making the payments for the Resident's and Fellow's and if they rotate to another hospital we invoice the hospitals. Discussions continued on Affiliation Agreements.

Mr. Hasslocher added that it is essential in moving forward with the Affiliation Agreement as it is important to continue with the partnership between University Health and UT Health San Antonio in an effort to continue working in a strong partnership. Mr. Hasslocher thanked Dr. Alsip, Mr. Banos and that staff to include Dr, Hromas and the UT Staff.

**ACTION:** A **MOTION** to **APPROVE** staff's recommendation was made by Ms. Watts

Davis, SECONDED by Ms. Rodriguez, and PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**EVALUATION:** None. **FOLLOW UP:** None

## Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding Selected Purchasing Items:

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding a Support Agreement Renewal with Family Violence Prevention Services, Inc., for the Battered Women's and Children's Shelter and Related Services — Sally Taylor, M.D.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This agreement supports the Triple Aim *Plus* by promoting ready access to behavioral health and support services for victims of domestic violence when needed, along with addressing population health by improving the safety of the community.

FVPS provides real time behavioral health intervention and treatment for adults and children at high risk for lethality while potentially preventing longer-term sequelae of trauma. This agreement aligns with the community's multi-stakeholder, including University Health, Trauma-Informed Care Initiative.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the Board of Managers approve and authorize the President/CEO to execute a 12-month renewal of the Funding Support Agreement with Family Violence Prevention Services, Inc. for the Battered Women and Children's Shelter and related support services, in the amount of \$600,000 annually, for the period from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, with two successive one-year automatic renewals for a total of \$1,800,000 for the entire three-year term.

<u>COMMENTS / DISCUSSIONS</u>: Ms. Jasso commented on unduplicated clients served and how that number has gone down and there has not been an increase in funding. Dr. Taylor indicated the funding has remained the same and a discussion ensued on related subjects.

ACTION:

A MOTION to APPROVE staff's recommendation was made by Ms. Watts

Davis, SECONDED by Ms. Jasso, and PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**EVALUATION:** 

None.

FOLLOW UP:

None

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding a Funding Agreement Renewal with the Center for Health Care Services for Adult Behavioral Health Services at the Eastside Clinic — Sally Taylor, M.D.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: The ongoing community relationship created by this agreement aligns with University Health's strategic plan and with the principles of the Triple-Aim *Plus* by improving access to the continuum of care within the community for specialty behavioral health services in appropriate locations and at the time of clinical need. The relationship with CHCS through this agreement and the expansion of outpatient behavioral health services within Bexar County provides much needed access to care.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the Board of Managers approve and authorize the President/CEO to execute a renewal of the Funding Agreement with The Center for Health Care Services in the amount of \$1,500,000 annually, specifically for Adult Behavioral Health Services with integrated primary care at the Eastside Clinic, for the period from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, with two successive one-year automatic renewals for a total of \$4,500,000 for the entire three-year term.

**COMMENTS / DISCUSSIONS:** Several questions were brought up and multiple discussions ensued.

**ACTION:** 

A MOTION to APPROVE staff's recommendation was made by Ms. Watts

Davis, SECONDED by Ms. Fernandez, and PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**EVALUATION**:

None

FOLLOW UP:

None

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding the Purchase of Medical Equipment; Fixtures, Furnishings, and Non-Medical Equipment; and Technology Infrastructure Equipment and Installation Services for University Health Vida and University Health Wheatley from Various Vendors— Don Ryden/Brian Freeman

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This project is a critical component of University Health's integrated health system, which is dedicated to enhancing the community's health through preventive care, treating illness and injury, and providing compassionate healthcare services.

The new Public Health Facilities will expand community access and highlight University Health's strengths in public health, including effective communication, a skilled healthcare workforce, robust community partnerships, and advanced technology infrastructure. These facilities will also enhance access to health education, promoting better population health and advancing health equity across Bexar County.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Board of Managers approve the procurement of facility outfitting of medical equipment, furniture, fixtures, active IT and installation services in an amount not to exceed \$8,781,587 and authorize the President/CEO to execute the necessary contract actions as follows:

Medical Equipment	\$ 2,814,835
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	\$ 1,515,724
Active IT Equipment and Installation	\$ 4,451,028
TOTAL	\$ 8,781,587

<u>COMMENTS /DISCUSSIONS</u>: Miss Jasso asked what is the timeline for the high dollar equipment items to be purchased and all other equipment pertaining to these projects and how will they be stored? An explanation was offered and further discussions ensued.

ACTION: A MOTION to APPROVE staff's recommendation was made by Dr. Kelley,

SECONDED by Ms. Watts Davis, and PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**EVALUATION:** None.

FOLLOW UP: None

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding Project Closeout Actions for the Women's and Children's Hospital and Associated Projects – Don Ryden/Brian Freeman

<u>SUMMARY</u>: Staff has determined that the remaining variations to final billed amounts are minor and will not exceed 2% of the estimated final costs summarized above. Therefore, Staff propose to return the \$23 million in Board Contingency, \$2.8 million in Board Designated Funds, and the additional \$23.3 million in Project savings to Board Designated Funds.

Notably, the Pediatric Heart Center \$13.5M and Pharmacy \$14.4M were additions to the scope of the project and completed within the existing project funds without utilizing the Board Contingency Funds or additional funding to the project budget.

We just celebrated the One year anniversary of the opening of the Women's and Children's Hospital on Dec. 5th, of last year, along with the dedication and opening of the Cafeteria and Dining areas in January 2024 and the Discharge Pharmacy on March 2024.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the Board of Managers authorize the President/CEO to execute the necessary actions to close all open contracts and return Project savings of \$49.1 million to Board Designated Funds.

<u>COMMENTS /DISCUSSIONS</u>: Dr. Cohen inquired about the description of the podium. Mr. Brian Freeman offered an explanation and a further discussion ensued. Dr. Kelley offered her comments on how proud she was to serve on the building committee and how the project came in under budget.

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ACTION: A MOTION to APPROVE staff's recommendation was made by Dr. Kelley,

SECONDED by Dr. Cohen, and PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**EVALUATION:** None. **FOLLOW UP:** None

Consideration and Appropriate Action Regarding the Financial Report for November 2024 — Reed Hurley

<u>SUMMARY:</u> Staff anticipates another strong financial report for November 2024. However, due to the early scheduled Board of Managers meeting this month, the report is not yet complete at the time of this mailing.

The November 2024 financial report will be included with the December 2024 financial report distributed at the Board meeting in January 2025. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

**RECOMMENDATION:** No action needed at this time.

<u>COMMENTS /DISCUSSIONS</u>: Mr. Hasslocher thank Reed Hurley and the staff for their hard work as we have in the past and continue to have another good month. Mr. Hurley commented that on December 5<sup>th</sup> the Women's and Children's Hospital will mark its One Year Anniversary. Lastly, Mr. Hurley added that in the December meeting he will provide a Verbal update as the November Financial will not have been closed yet.

**ACTION:** This report is for information purposes only. No action is necessary at this time.

EVALUATION: None. FOLLOW UP: None

### **Presentations and Education:**

Improving Mental Health and Access to Care in Bexar County—Anna Taranova, M.D.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: The COVID-19 pandemic significantly worsened social conditions and mental health, particularly within underserved Latino communities and Bexar County. In response, University Health applied for funding to enhance mental health access, save lives, and promote mental well-being across Bexar County and beyond. As a result, the organization was awarded two grants: \$4,000,000 from Bexar County via the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021) to support the Mental Wellness Initiative, and \$25,000,000 from the Texas Comptroller's Office through the Opioid Abatement Funds Council to launch the Texas Overdose Prevention project (TX-OP).

The ARPA funding allows University Health to expand mental health services through the Bexar Necessities Mental Wellness Initiative. This program addresses behavioral health challenges in primary care settings, which have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. It focuses on enhancing behavioral health support in these settings by increasing the availability of healthcare providers and investing in workforce development.

The funding will also enable University Health to deliver integrated services at clinics with the greatest need, helping to meet the growing post-COVID demand for mental health care and addressing workforce shortages' in Bexar County.

Responding to these two notices of funding opportunity and the subsequent awards highlights University Health's successful track record in implementing grant-funded programs, as well as its commitment to promoting community health and improving patient care delivery.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approving the implementation of both programs to enhance mental health services and reduce opioid overdose deaths in Bexar County and beyond.

<u>COMMENTS /DISCUSSIONS</u>: Ms. Jasso asked if there is a timeline on how and when the funding dollars for the ARPA Fund are available until 2027. A brief discussion ensued on ARPA Funding. Dr, Kelley asked how many residents graduate for the Psychiatry Department? There are approximately 45 in Bexar County.

Ms. Jasso requested updates on Mental Health Services and follow-up information on the programs regarding the reduction of Opioid Overdose Deaths in Bexar County and surrounding counties. Multiple discussions continued on the subject.

Ms. Watts Davis and Ms. Jasso requested the power point presentation.

ACTION: A MOTION to APPROVE staff's recommendation was made by Ms. Watts

Davis, SECONDED by Ms. Rodriguez, and PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

EVALUATION: None.

FOLLOW UP: None

# Nurse Staffing Advisory Committee Report and Presentation — Dina Pérez-Graham

<u>SUMMARY</u>: In January 2010, University Health established a Nurse Staffing Advisory Committee. The committee meets monthly and is chartered to improve patient care, retain skilled staff, ensure appropriate staffing levels, and adhere to the Hospital Safe Staffing Statute in Texas. This committee's primary responsibility is to formulate a nurse staffing strategy tailored to the specific needs of each patient care unit and work shift while also aligning with state regulatory guidelines. Notably, the Chief Nurse Executive holds a permanent voting position on this committee. Furthermore, the committee's membership predominantly consists of direct care registered nurses (RNs), making up at least 80% of its members. The RNs are elected by their peers who spend at least 50% of their work time providing direct patient care.

Nurse Staffing Advisory Committee Reports and Activities. The committee evaluated unit staffing through the following reports:

- Productivity and overtime usage
- Vacancy rates and contract staff
- Staff nurse presentations on concerns reported directly to the committee or its committee members.

A total of 558 in-patient nurses have been hired in 2024, of the in-patient nurses hired, 261 were new graduate nurses that were recruited from the nursing schools listed below in Table 2.

As of July 2024, University Health's RN turnover rate stands at 5.2%, well below the national average of 15.0%, according to the 2024 NSI Nursing Report. This performance places University Health in the 90th percentile nationally. This success can be attributed to initiatives such as the Clinical Advancement Program, Student Loan Repayment Program, and targeted retention incentives.

Table 2 Schools of Nursing Hires, 2024

NURSING SCHOOL	RN HIRES	NURSING SCHOOL	RN HIRES
UT Health San Antonio	81	Texas A&M Corpus Christi	4
San Antonio College	52	UT Arlington	3
Galen College	39	Hallmark University	2
University of Incarnate Word	29	UT Rio Grande Valley	2
Baptist School of Health	14	St. Phillips	1
Chamberlain	8	Hardin Simmons University	1
Texas Tech University	5	UT Houston	1
Texas Lutheran	4	Wayland Baptist	1
Baylor University	1	Other National/International	13

The Nurse Residency Program (NRP) was initiated at University Health in 2013 with an average of 8 Cohorts per year since 2022. In 2024, University Health welcomed 261 new graduate nurses into the Nurse Residency Program. The current on year avoidable turnover rate for new graduate nurses at University Health is 1.7% well below the national benchmark of 5%. Avoidable turnover encompasses those who departed for better salary/compensation elsewhere (including agency nursing), those who were dissatisfied with their job, or had unsatisfactory performance. The comparative group used were all Nurse Residency Programs from Magnet organizations. Most recently there were 102 in orientation, there are 1087 Nurses and 317 Techs.

Additionally there were presentations made to the Board of Managers by Dina Perez-Graham, MSN, RN, Sr. Vice President and Chief Nurse Executive; in addition to the following Nursing Executives. Ana Vera, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, NPD-BC, Executive Director, Nursing Research presented on Nursing Research and Academic Partnerships. Gennine Yahya, DNP, MSN, Rn, CCRN, NE-BC, Executive Director, 8 SKY presented on Nursing Strategic Goals and Michael Payne, MSN, RN, CCRN, Executive Director 9 Sky presented on Nursing Strategic Goals and Patient Experience.

RECOMMENDATION: This report is for information purposes only. No action is necessary at this time.

<u>COMMENTS / DISCUSSIONS</u>: Dr. Kelley asked about the proportions of Nurses at a BSN level what is the difference of a Nurse that has a BSN opposed to a Nurse that does not have a BSN and what is the rational on that? Being a Magnet hospital there are standard that our Nurses are required to maintain. Further discussions ensued.

ACTION: This report is for information purposes only. No action is necessary at this time.

**EVALUATION:** None. **FOLLOW UP:** None

Approved Contracting Interview

### **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS / DISCUSSIONS:**

Ms. Jasso commented and congratulated Dr. Monika Kapur in the Health Professions Category and Rebecca Cedillo for nominating Dr. Kapur on her induction the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame Class of 2025.

Mr. Banos mentioned to the Board that we have a license for Four Nursing Homes through an old DSRIP Program that was allowed for us to get involved with current existing Nursing Homes that allow us to receive enhanced reimbursement; we are able to take over the License of the Nursing home, we do not own the Brick and Mortar; Touchstone manages those facilities. Every Three years for License renewal purposes the State requires the current Bexar County Hospital District Board of Managers to update their information to the state as we are the owners of the License of these Nursing Homes. Limited information is needed from each Board Member and we will complete the information on the State website in an effort to be compliant.

Prior to adjournment, Mr. Hasslocher offered his best wishes to both the UH and the UT Health Leadership and staff for an enjoyable holiday season and thanked everyone for your dedication and hard work this year and wished everyone continued success.

# **Information Only Items:**

- A. Update on the Community Hospitals Don Ryden
- B. University Health Foundation Update Sara Alger
- C. Report on Recent Recognitions and Upcoming Events Leni Kirkman

Adjournment: - Jimmy Hasslocher, Chair

There being no further business Mr. Hasslocher adjourned the public meeting at 8:24pm for a closed session.

Jimmy Hasslocher

Chair, Board of Managers

Margaret A. Kelley, MD.

Secretary, Board of Managers

Janie M. Guevara, Recording Secretary

The Board of Managers may recess during the open meeting in order to hold a closed meeting. Alternatively, a closed meeting may be held before the open meeting or after its adjournment.

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