



MINUTES
KARNES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
July 28, 2026

The regular monthly meeting for fiscal year 2026-27 of the Karnes County Hospital District was held on July 28, 2026 with Gretchen Dupnik, President presiding.

Present: Rita Jordan, Ray Rossett, Richard Robinson, Gretchen Dupnik, David Purser, and Wilfred Dziuk.

Absent: Margie Tamez, Board Member

Also present: David Lee, CEO
Christina Benavides, Secretary to the Board of Directors
Barbara James, Marketing & Community Relations
Vincent Sowell, RN, Chief Nursing Officer
Cathy Jurgajtis, RN, Quality Risk Director

Gretchen Dupnik called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

The opening prayer was held by Richard Robinson.

Communications from the public were:
None

A motion was made by Ray Rossett and seconded by Wilfred Dziuk to approve the minutes of June 30, 2026. The motion carried.

OTTO KAISER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION REPORT:

1. The Foundation met in July. They ironed out the sponsorships for the calendar fundraiser. There were several grants that were approved.

CEO'S REPORT

1. The financial auditors will be here next week for their field work.
2. The Financials for FYE063026 were reviewed.
3. The Work Load stats were reviewed.
4. The pending retail pharmacy agreement was shared and reviewed, including the risk sharing fee structure.
5. An update on the remaining construction projects was provided, including a proposed change order covering the MOB parking area as well the driveway between the BOB and Bonnstetter Building.
6. The General Surgeon search update was provided.
7. The Chief Financial Officer search remains ongoing.
8. The first RHTP Initiative 1.1 Grant of \$3.5 million dollars was approved.
9. An update on the Physicians' Employment status was given.
10. There are two more site visits set up for the General Surgeon candidates.

KAISER WELLNESS CENTER REPORT:

Rylan is ramping up the group fitness class schedule by adding additional class options.

KAISER FAMILY PRACTICE:

The Clinic had approximately 600 visits.

KAISER HOME HEALTH:

(Financials provided.)

KAISER ORTHOPEDICS

There were approximately 465 visits in June.

NURSING SERVICES REPORT

Vincent Sowell, CNO provided the nursing report.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Rita Jordan and seconded by Ray Rossett to propose the 2026 Tax Rate of \$.095288. The motion carried.
2. No action on item #2, "Review/Approve Physician Employment Agreement for future General Surgeon.
3. A motion was made by Wilfred Dziuk and seconded by Richard Robinson to approve the Medical Staff Membership two-year Re-Appointments for July 2026-July 2028. The motion carried.
4. A motion was made by Ray Rossett and seconded by Rita Jordan to approve the Medical Staff Report. The motion carried.
5. A motion was made by Wilfred Dziuk and seconded by Rita Jordan to approve the Quarterly Investment Report. The motion carried.
6. Discussion was held on Health Care issues and trends related to State and Federal changes including THA topics shared, House Bill 711, and upcoming legislative concerns.

Pursuant to Section 551.074 & 511.078 of the Texas Government Code, Gretchen Dupnik announced to enter into Executive Session at 7:46pm:

1. Discuss 2nd Quarter QA Review for 2026.
2. Review 2nd Quarter Patient Grievances for 2026.
3. Review 2nd Quarter HR Report for 2026.

A motion was made by Wilfred Dziuk and seconded by Richard Robinson to adjourn the meeting at 8:03pm. The motion carried.

8/18/26

Date

Gretchen Dupnik

Signature