MINUTES
KARNES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 30, 2025

The regular monthly meeting for fiscal year 2025-26 of the Karnes County Hospital District was held on September 30, 2025 with Ray Rossett, President presiding.

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

Absent: None

Also present: David Lee, CEO
Christina Benavides, Secretary to the Board of Directors
Vincent Sowell, Chief Nursing Officer
Barbara James, Marketing and Community Relations

Ray Rossett called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

The opening prayer was held by Richard Robinson.

Communications from the public were:
None

A motion was made by Richard Robinson and seconded by Gretchen Dupnik to approve the minutes of 8/26/2025. The motion carried.

OTTO KAISER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION REPORT:

1. The Foundation met this month. The expenses of the purse bingo were reconciled. The silent auction was discussed and will take place in November.

CEO'S REPORT

Barbara James reported on the following:

1. In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, $50 mammograms are currently being offered.
2. Christina and Barbara reviewed the 50th Anniversary events.

David reported on the following:

1. The closing documents were signed on the property last Thursday.
2. The construction projects are going well. The target date for occupancy of the Bonnstetter Building is December 8th.
3. David continues to work on recruitment for a general surgeon.
4. David provided an update on a visit from the pharmacy retail consultant.
5. The Financials including the Stats were reviewed.
6. The annual Professional Advisory Committee was held on September 18th. It will be on the agenda for approval next month.

KAISER WELLNESS CENTER REPORT:

The financials were provided.

KAISER FAMILY PRACTICE:

The financials and stats were provided.

KAISER HOME HEALTH:

The home health stats and financial were provided.

NURSING REPORT

Vincent Sowell presented the report.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Wilferd Dziuk and seconded by Gretchen Dupnik to approve Employee Health Insurance Plan renewal Option #1 effective October 1, 2025. The motion carried.
2. A motion was made by Margie Tamez and seconded by Rita Jordan to approve Scott Wagner, CRNA for Allied Privileges in Anesthesia Services. The motion carried.
3. A motion was made by Rita Jordan and seconded by David Purser to approve Stephen Lester, MD for Affiliated Privileges in General Surgery Services. The motion carried.
4. A motion was made by Gretchen Dupnik and seconded by David Purser to approve Bijo K. John, MD for Affiliated Privileges in Gastroenterology Services. The motion carried.
5. A motion was made by Rita Jordan and seconded by Wilfred Dziuk to approve the Medical Staff Report. The motion carried.
6. A motion was made by Richard Robinson and seconded by Rita Jordan to approve the Board Strategic Planning Session date of December 8th and 9th, 2025 in Gruene, TX.
7. Discussion was held on Health Care issues and trends related to State and Federal guidelines which included TORCH's efforts in assisting with HB12 and the Federal Bills. Discussion was also held on the government shut down and legislation that will be affected in relation to funding.

Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, Ray Rossett announced to enter into Executive Session at 7:01pm:

1. Discuss Personnel Issues.

A motion was made by Wilfred Dziuk and seconded by Rita Jordan to adjourn the meeting at 7:24pm. The motion carried.

10/28/25

Date

Signature