

**EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING**  
**Tuesday, September 13, 2016**  
**3:00 P.M.**  
**EIGHTH FLOOR BOARD ROOM**

<b><u>PRESENT</u></b>	<b><u>GUESTS</u></b>	<b><u>GUESTS</u></b>
Steve DeGroat, Board Chairman	Leticia Flores, Corporate Controller	Maria E. Martinez, UMC
James Volk, Vice-Chairman	George Caralis, Interim CEO, EPCH	Emilia Vela, UMC
Miguel Fernandez, Board Member	Tim Domain, Deloitte	Elizabeth Alvarez, UMC
Steve Anderson, Board Member	Bruce Yetter, EP First Attorney	Michael Rooney, Citizen
Joy Martinez, Board Member	Edward Sosa, EP County	Susie Byrd, SEIU
Carmen Arrieta-Candelaria, Board Member	Javier Saenz, Asst. County Attorney	Veronica Arambula, SEIU
R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO	Janina Prada, UMC	Indira Carmona, SEIU
Maria Zampini, Chief Operating Officer	Ryan Mielke, UMC	Veronica Marquez, SEIU
Michael Nuñez, Chief Financial Officer	Jethro Armijo, UMC	Joseph C. Windheim, SEIU
Lorena Navedo, Executive Chief of Staff	Laurel Huston, Asst. County Attorney	Daniel Borunda, El Paso Times
Christina Ford, Chief Legal Officer	Alberto Gomez, Elite Video	Marina Estrada, UMC
Dr. Richard Lange, President, TTUHSC	Margarita Madrid, UMC	Eddie Pacheco, UMC
Dr. Armando Meza, Chief of Staff, TTUHSC	Alicia Rodriguez, UMC	Emilio Miranda, SEIU
Sabrina Addison, Recording Secretary	Diego Richards, UMC	Joseph C. Windham, SEIU
<b><u>ABSENT</u></b>	Maria Coronado, UMC	Aileen Flores, UMC
Henry Gallardo, Board Member	Norm Yen, SEIU	Gil Blancas, UMC
Joe Garcia, Chief Nursing Officer	Jim McNoill, SEIU	Raju Shah, UMC
Cathy Gibson, Chief Waiver/Compliance Officer	Sandra Aguilar, UMC	Raul Jara, UMC
Frank Dominguez, President & CEO El Paso First	Antelma Corral, UMC	
	Amparo Enchinton, SEIU	
	Cathy Martinez, SEIU	

**1, 2, & 3. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m. on September 13, 2016 by Mr. Steve DeGroat, Board Chairman. After establishing that a quorum was present, Mr. DeGroat led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DeGroat and the Board congratulated Dr. Richard Lange and Texas Tech Health Sciences Center El Paso on the recent announcement of a future Dental School.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ACTION:** MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Mr. Volk and Seconded by Ms. Arrieta. The vote was: Mr. Anderson, Yes, Mr. Volk, Yes, Mr. DeGroat, Yes, Ms. Martinez, Yes and Ms. Arrieta, Yes. Motion Carried.

**4. Approve the minutes of the Board of Managers meeting for August 9, 2016.  
(TAB A)**

**CONCLUSION:** Item presented and approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

**5. Review and approve the Financial Statements for the El Paso County Hospital District, El Paso First Health Plan, Inc., and the El Paso Children's Hospital for July 2016.  
(TAB B) (Finance Committee)**

**CONCLUSION:** Item presented and approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

**6. Review and take appropriate action on the following Medical Staff requests:  
(TAB C) (Medical Executive Committee)**

**I. TEMPORARY PRIVILEGES**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>PRACTICE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>
Harsh Agrawal, MD	TX Tech	Internal Medicine/CV Disease
Leo Altenberg, MD	UMC	Community Medicine
Richard Arms, MD	TX Tech	OB/GYN
Marshall Baca, Jr., MD	TX Tech	Emergency Medicine
Peter Cimasi, CRNA	UMC Contract	Anesthesia
Sylvia De La Rosa, FNP	UMC Employee	Community Medicine
Hernando Garcia, MD	TX Tech	Internal Medicine
Juan Marmol-Velez, MD	TX Tech	Internal Medicine
Antonio Mendoza-Ladd, MD	TX Tech	Internal Medicine
Mai Nguyen, MD	TX Tech	Orthopedics
Crysela M. Smith, MD	TX Tech	Radiology

**II. INITIAL MEDICAL STAFF APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>PRACTICE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>TEMP PRIVILEGES</b>
Harsh Agrawal, MD	TX Tech	Internal Medicine/CV Disease	
Leo Altenberg, MD	UMC	Community Medicine	
Richard Arms, MD	TX Tech	OB/GYN	
Marshall Baca, Jr., MD	TX Tech	Emergency Medicine	
Sergio Bustos-Munoz, MD	EPCH Contract	Pediatrics	
Julio Gagot-Pizarro, MD	UMC Contract	Anesthesia	
Hernando Garcia, MD	TX Tech	Internal Medicine	
Juan Marmol-Velez, MD	TX Tech	Internal Medicine	
Antonio Mendoza-Ladd, MD	TX Tech	Internal Medicine	
Mai Nguyen, MD	TX Tech	Orthopedics	
Crysela M. Smith, MD	TX Tech	Radiology	
David Yates, DMD	Private	Oral Maxillofacial Surgery	

**III. INITIAL ALLIED HEALTH STAFF APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>PRACTICE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>TEMP PRIVILEGES</b>
Peter Cimasi, CRNA	UMC Contract	Anesthesia	
Sylvia De La Rosa, FNP	UMC Employee	Community Medicine	

**IV. ADVANCEMENTS FROM PROVISIONAL STATUS**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT/CATEGORY</b>	<b>APPT PERIOD</b>
Andrade Alonso, MD	Surgery/Active	09/30/2016 – 02/28/2018
Javier Arenas, MD	Surgery/Active	09/30/2016 – 06/30/2018
Gustavo Delgado, MD	Internal Medicine/Active	09/30/2016 – 12/30/2017
Agathe Franck, MD	Family Medicine/Provisional	09/30/2016 – 02/28/2018
Jose Gonzalez, MD	Community Medicine/Provisional	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
Gens Goodman, MD	Orthopedics/Associate	09/30/2016 – 02/28/2018
Shiva Mansourkhani, MD	Psychiatry/Provisional	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
Daniel Murphy, MD	Family Medicine/Active	09/30/2016 – 11/30/2017
Joshua Simmons, MD	Emergency Medicine/Active	09/30/2016 – 06/30/2018

**V. MEDICAL STAFF REAPPOINTMENTS AND RENEWAL OF PRIVILEGES**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT/CATEGORY</b>	<b>APPT PERIOD</b>
	<b>ANESTHESIOLOGY</b>	
Tony Tseng, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
	<b>COMMUNITY MEDICINE</b>	
Jennifer Chin, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
Allan Damian, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
	<b>EMERGENCY MEDICINE</b>	
Briana Garcia, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
Josue Lopez, MD	Associate	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
Fernando Monreal, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
	<b>INTERNAL MEDICINE</b>	
Pedro Blandon, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
David Paez Fernandez, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
Hoi Ho, MD	Courtesy	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
	<b>OB/GYN</b>	
Michael Schaffer, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
Claudia Suarez, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
	<b>ORTHOPEDICS</b>	
Gregory Misenheimer, MD	Associate	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
	<b>OPHTHALMOLOGY</b>	
Daniel Blumenfeld, MD	Active	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
	<b>SURGERY</b>	
Joseph Kidd, MD	Courtesy	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018

**VI. ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL REAPPOINTMENTS AND RENEWAL OF PRIVILEGES**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>APPT PERIOD</b>
Ann Jesse, FNP	Community Medicine	09/30/2016 – 09/30/2018
Laura Penafiel, ACNP	Community Medicine	09/30/2016 – 12/31/2017

**VII. FOCUS PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EVALUATIONS**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>
<b>INITIAL:</b>	
Ernesto Alarcon, FNP	Emergency Medicine
Demetira Castrellon, ACNP	Neurology

Taylor Corry, MD	Anesthesia
Kristin Giroux, CNM	OB/GYN
Zachary Klett, MD	Surgery
Elyse Macksoud, PA-C	Pediatrics

**ADDITIONAL PRIVILEGES:**

None

**ISSUES:**

None

**VIII. ONGOING PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EVALUATIONS**

**PRACTITIONER**      **DEPARTMENT**

David Beeman, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Felicia Boykins, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Christopher Bruckler, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Stacey Bruckler, CRNA	Anesthesiology
John Buen, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Richard Caguigin, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Napoleon Campos, MD	Anesthesiology
Subhash Chander, MD	Anesthesiology
Danielle Christensen, CRNA	Anesthesiology
John Chunga, MD	Anesthesiology
Anabella Deodores, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Carlos Desir, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Amanbir Dhade, MD	Anesthesiology
Robert Dillow, MD	Anesthesiology
James Esposito, MD	Anesthesiology
Brian Fitzgerald, MD	Anesthesiology
Robert Franco, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Jeffrey Gainok, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Mark Gates, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Ese Green, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Anthony Han, MD	Anesthesiology
Laneeta Ingram, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Adrian Jacquez, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Jean Jean-Pierre, MD	Anesthesiology
Tammy Laughlin, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Stacy LeSueur, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Brian Linford, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Omar Lopez, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Farzad Malekzadeh, MD	Anesthesiology
Jasper Mesarch, DO	Anesthesiology
Wesley Mildenhall, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Wayde Miller, MD	Anesthesiology
Gordon Minton, MD	Anesthesiology

Joseph Moreno, MD	Anesthesiology
Russell Morris, MD	Anesthesiology
Pablo Moujan, MD	Anesthesiology
Henryk Nikicicz, MD	Anesthesiology
Robert Olivares, MD	Anesthesiology
Deborah Ortega, MD	Anesthesiology
Philip Owen, MD	Anesthesiology
Eric Richmond, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Savannah Rincones, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Cheryl Rossi, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Jeffrey Rubin, MD	Anesthesiology
Gregory Sanders, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Christopher Saxe, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Michael Scholl, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Beverly Trujillo, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Tony Tseng, MD	Anesthesiology
Ryan Uptmor, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Jorge Urias, MD	Anesthesiology
Richard Veal, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Silvia Villa-Royal, MD	Anesthesiology
Tina Whitman, CRNA	Anesthesiology
Kendra Williams, CRNA	Anesthesiology
William Wingfield, CRNA	Anesthesiology

#### **IX. ADDITIONAL PRIVILEGES REQUESTS**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>
None	

#### **X. CHANGES IN STATUS/PRIVILEGES**

<b>PRACTITONER</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>
None	

#### **XI. REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE/RESIGNATION/RELOCATION**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>REASON</b>
Fatima Aly, MD	Pediatrics	Resignation – effective 7/31/2016
Kelly Farris, MD	Community Medicine	Resignation – effective 7/29/2016
Riana Leonhardt, FNP	Community Medicine	Resignation – effective 7/25/2016
Maria Portillo, WHNP	OB/GYN	Resignation – effective 7/30/2016
Juan Taveras, MD	Internal Medicine	Resignation – effective 8/1/2016
Anantha Vellipuram, MD	Neurology	Leave of Absence – effective 8/1/2016
Veronica Zavala, FNP	Surgery	Resignation – effective 7/29/2016

#### **XII. SUSPENSIONS AND REINSTATEMENTS**

<b>PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	
Michael Bagg, MD	Surgery	Medical Records – notice of completion 8/5/2016
Subhash Chander, MD	Anesthesia	Medical Records – suspension 7/22/2016

Claudia Didia, MD	Internal Medicine	Medical Records – reinstatement 7/19/2016
Jose Gonzalez, MD	Community Medicine	Medical Records – suspension 7/22/2016
Eric Sides, MD	Orthopedics	Medical Records – suspension 8/9/2016
Richard Westbrook, MD	Orthopedics	Medical Records – intent to revoke 7/20/2016

### **XIII. AUTOMATIC TERMINATION FOR EXPIRED LICENSE, INSURANCE, ETC. PER BYLAWS**

#### **ARTICLE VIII 8.1.6**

#### **PRACTITIONERS**

#### **DEPARTMENT**

#### **REASON**

None

**CONCLUSION:** Item presented and approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

**7. Receive and take appropriate action on the following policy:**

**A. Hospital Policy F-4 Credit Report Access Under Permissible Purpose.**  
(TAB D) (Finance Committee)

**CONCLUSION:** Item presented and approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

**ACTION: MOTION** to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Mr. Volk and Seconded by Ms. Arrieta. The vote was Mr. Anderson, Yes, Mr. Volk, Yes, Mr. DeGroat, Yes, Ms. Martinez, Yes, Ms. Arrieta, Yes and Mr. Fernandez, Yes. Motion Carried.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

**8. Receive and approve the following CEO Report:**

**A. El Paso County Hospital District**

(TAB E)

Mr. Jacob Cintron noted that over the past couple of weeks he has met with the County Judge and Commissioners; Dr. Richard Lange and Mr. George Caralis to explore ways to build a better future campus-wide; also met with physician leaders and attended a TTUHSC luncheon with Dr. Lange and Department Chairs. Mr. Cintron plans to meet with Commissioner Haggerty and the Northeast Civic Group; as well as, various other groups with the County Commissioners.

**Texas Live Conference** - UMC will be participating in the Texas Live Advanced Endoscopy Conference on September 23, 2016. Nine endoscopic cases will be performed at our facility via live simultaneous broadcast for the first time with conference members and physicians in Austin, TX. During the surgeries, participants of the conference will be able to interact with the surgeon. Videos of the cases will be available to the public and associates after the conference. Mr. Cintron expressed this is a great opportunity for UMC to showcase the medical staff and our facility.

**Mother Baby Unit** - The UMC Mother Baby Unit received its highest rating from the Texas Department of Health for the Newborn Hearing Screening Program Certification.

**Pink Glove Dance Contest**- UMC will be participating in the 2016 Pink Glove Dance Video Competition. Prize money from the Breast Cancer Prevention Campaign will remain in El Paso and be used to increase community awareness, support and finding a cure. Mr. Mielke, Director of Public Affairs showed the video entry to the board and encouraged them to vote daily on the pink glove dance website; as well as, sharing it with family/friends. Mr. Cintron recognized Ms. Navedo, Mr. Mielke and all the associates that participated in the video production. Additionally, he expressed that efforts will be made in the future to share exciting news/events occurring at UMC with the community.

**United Way Campaign** - The United Way Campaign is underway; any associate can donate to their cause of choice now through October 31st.

**Texas Tech** - Mr. Cintron thanked Dr. Lange and the Texas Tech partnership for their commitment in recruiting specialty physicians for UMC, Trauma Program, Orthopedic Service line and the East/West Clinics that are slated to open next year.

**ACTION: MOTION** to approve the CEO Report was made by Mr. Anderson and Seconded by Mr. Fernandez. The vote was Mr. Fernandez, Yes, Mr. Anderson, Yes, Mr. Volk, Yes, Mr. DeGroat, Yes, Ms. Martinez, Yes, and Ms. Arrieta, Yes. Motion Carried.

**9. Review and take appropriate action on the Coding Software Agreement between El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University-Medical Center of El Paso and 3M, and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute the agreement.**

(TAB F) (Finance Committee)

**CONCLUSION:** Mr. Nuñez noted the additions that were made to the agreement will assist in the following coding areas: Potentially Preventable Readmissions, Potentially Preventable Admissions, Potentially Preventable Complications, and Risk Adjustment to allow improved tracking and trending of data as Medicare/Medicaid and other payors use this information for reimbursement purposes. The current contract amount is \$280,000.00. The new amount is \$288,422.56 for a 5 year term; additional fees for new module(s) are \$20,000.00, totaling \$308,422.25.

This item was also presented and approved at the Finance Committee meeting.

**ACTION: MOTION** to approve this item was made by Ms. Arrieta and Seconded by Mr. Anderson. The vote was Mr. Fernandez, Yes, Mr. Anderson, Yes, Mr. Volk, Yes, Mr. DeGroat, Yes, Ms. Martinez, Yes, and Ms. Arrieta, Yes. Motion Carried.

**10. Review and approve SCI Solutions Scheduling System 1 year renewal.**

(TAB G) (Finance Committee)

**CONCLUSION:** Mr. Nuñez noted the Enterprise Scheduling Solution is currently be used at UMC and El Paso Children's Hospital. The initial contract was executed August 30, 2006 for a 5 year period through an RFP selection. The agreement was amended in August 2011, to add the Children's Hospital licenses and extend the contract by 3 years through August 2014. In August 2014, the agreement was renewed for an additional two years through August 31, 2016. The SCI Solutions Scheduling System will be extended for a year and an additional three months once the Cerner Soarian Ambulatory Implementation is live. The annual fee for UMC is \$124,000.00; EPCH is \$24,587.00 and no CPI increases during the renewal period.

This item was also reviewed and approved at the Finance Committee meeting.

**ACTION: MOTION** to approve this item was made by Mr. Fernandez and Seconded by Mr. Anderson. The vote was Mr. Fernandez, Yes, Mr. Anderson, Yes, Mr. Volk, Yes, Mr. DeGroat, Yes, Ms. Martinez, Yes, and Ms. Arrieta, Yes. Motion Carried.

**11. Review and take appropriate action on the Salvation Army Agreement between the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso, and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute the agreement.**

(TAB H) (Finance Committee)

**CONCLUSION:** Mr. Nuñez noted that UMC established a partnership with the Salvation Army since October 2012 through one of the DSRIP projects, to establish the self-management and wellness programs where both parties desired to decrease the need for the Salvation Army clients to utilize the healthcare services of UMC Emergency Department for non-emergency needs. UMC will pay the Salvation Army to hire of a Nutritionist/Educator, Fitness Instructor/Educator and Chef to coordinate the nutritional and fitness needs of the Salvation Army clients.

The term of the agreement is October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017; renewing annually, not to exceed three years and includes a 30-Day Out Clause. The four year term of the agreement shall not exceed \$632,407.00; the cost per year (DY6-DY9) was reviewed.

This item was also reviewed and approved at the Finance Committee meeting.

**ACTION: MOTION** to approve this item was made by Mr. Fernandez and Seconded by Mr. Anderson. The vote was Mr. Fernandez, Yes, Mr. Anderson, Yes, Mr. Volk, Yes, Mr. DeGroat, Yes, Ms. Martinez, Yes, and Ms. Arrieta, Yes. Motion Carried.

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**12. Review and take appropriate action on the El Paso County Hospital District's d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso Fiscal Year 2017 Operating and Capital Budgets.**

(TAB I) (Finance Committee)

**CONCLUSION:** Mr. Nuñez noted the Fiscal Year 2017 Budgets are combined (UMC, EPCH, El Paso First HealthPlans and UMC Foundation). The total revenue campus-wide budget is approximately \$688 million. The total expense budget is approximately \$707 million; an overall decrease in net position of approximately \$19 million. Considering the depreciation expense (non-cash), there is a positive cash flow from operations of approximately \$16 million (\$10 million will be used for capital purchases between UMC, EPCH, and El Paso First; debt service payment of approximately \$7 million for a bond issue, note payables for EPCH and the finalization of pre-petition debt) an overall decrease in net position of approximately \$6 million.

Combined budget work sessions were held with Commissioners Court on August 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, requesting a tax increase. Public Hearings were held on August 29<sup>th</sup> and September 6<sup>th</sup>. Adoption of the budgets/proposed tax rate is scheduled September 19<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Cintron acknowledged Mr. Nuñez and his team for their hard work on budget preparations and following up on the budget questions from Commissioner's Court.

**ACTION:** Subject to the final vote by the Commissioner's Court on Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Nuñez moved to adopt the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso Fiscal 2017 Operating and Capital Budgets as presented and discussed at the July 20<sup>th</sup> and July 27<sup>th</sup> Budget Work Session Meetings and the August 16<sup>th</sup> and August 23<sup>rd</sup> Joint Budget Work Session Meetings with the Commissioner's Court.

**MOTION** to approve this item was made by Mr. Fernandez and Seconded by Mr. Volk. The vote was Mr. Fernandez, Yes, Mr. Anderson, Yes, Mr. Volk, Yes, Mr. DeGroat, Yes, Ms. Martinez, Yes, and Ms. Arrieta, Yes. Motion Carried.

**13. Discuss and take appropriate action on the El Paso County Hospital District's d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso 2016 Property Tax Rate for 2017 Fiscal Year.**

(TAB J) (Finance Committee)

**CONCLUSION:** Mr. Nuñez noted the overall tax rate that UMC is currently proposing is \$0.234456; Maintenance and Operation portion is \$0.193253 and the Debt Service \$0.041203; an overall 5.3% increase over the current tax rate. The proposed tax rate was presented at the public hearings and will be voted on by Commissioner's Court on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

**ACTION:** Subject to the final vote by the Commissioner's Court on Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Nuñez moved to approve the following 2016 Property Tax Rate as requested by Management and for the 2017 Fiscal Year of \$0.234456 per \$100 assessed value. The overall tax rate consist of a rate of \$0.193253 per \$100 assessed value for Maintenance and Operations and a rate of \$0.041203 per \$100 assessed value for Interest and Debt Service to pay for the payment, principle and interest on the debt to the Hospital District.

**MOTION** to approve this item was made by Mr. Fernandez and Seconded by Mr. Volk. The vote was Mr. Fernandez, Yes, Mr. Anderson, Yes, Mr. Volk, Yes, Mr. DeGroat, Yes, Ms. Martinez, Yes, and Ms. Arrieta, Yes. Motion Carried.

**14. Discuss and take appropriate action on the selection of a Chief Executive Officer by the El Paso Children's Hospital.**

**CONCLUSION:** Mr. Ron Acton, El Paso Children's Hospital Board Chair noted the announcement of a new Chief Executive Officer has been imminent for several months and expressed his appreciation to the Board and the Search Committee. El Paso Children's Hospital selected Mr. Mark Amox as its new President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Amox has extensive experience in Pediatric/Teaching Hospital Administration and will begin on October 17, 2016. Mr. Acton also acknowledged Mr. Caralis for his leadership and contribution to EPCH since January 8, 2016 and noted that his last day will be on October 16, 2016.

**ACTION:** In accordance with the bylaws, Mr. Acton moved to approve Mr. Mark Amox as El Paso Children's Hospital new President and Chief Executive Officer.

**MOTION** to approve this item was made by Ms. Arrieta and Seconded by Mr. Volk. The vote was Mr. Anderson, Yes, Mr. Fernandez, Yes, Mr. Volk, Yes, Mr. DeGroat, Yes, Ms. Martinez, Yes, and Ms. Arrieta, Yes. Motion Carried.

By consensus of the Board, Mr. DeGroat moved the meeting into Executive Session on September 13, 2016 at 3:40 p.m. to review and discuss Executive Session Agenda items 15.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**15. Receive legal advice and consultation regarding bankruptcy proceeding pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas, El Paso Division, Re: El Paso Children's Hospital Corporation, Debtor, Case No. 15-30784, and other legal issues relating to El Paso Children's Hospital pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071.**

*Any action taken as a result of this discussion will be taken at the opening of this meeting after closed session, or at a subsequent meeting.*

Ms. Christina Ford  
Chief Legal Officer

Mr. Edward Sosa  
First Assistant, County Attorney

Mr. Bruce Yetter  
Assistant County Attorney

**OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened into Open Session on September 13, 2016 at 4:12 p.m.

**16. Receive legal advice and consultation regarding bankruptcy proceeding pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas, El Paso Division, Re: El Paso Children's Hospital Corporation, Debtor, Case No. 15-30784, and other legal issues relating to El Paso Children's Hospital pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071.**

**17. Adjournment**

**ACTION:** Mr. DeGroat adjourned the meeting on September 13, 2016 at 4:14 p.m.



Steve DeGroat, Board Chairman

Miguel Fernandez, Secretary