

THE HEFFERNAN MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE DISTRICT MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 27th OF MAY 2020 AT 608 HEBER AVE. CALEXICO, CA. CITY OF CALEXICO ON THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED OR THE HOLDING OF SAID MEETING.

TO CALL ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:32p.m. by Rodolfo Valdez and led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL-DETERMINATION OF QUARUM:

Chairperson	Rodolfo Valdez
Vice Chairperson	Gloria Grijalva
Secretary	Hector Martinez
Chief Financial	Norma M. Apodaca
Trustee	Gloria G. Romo

GUESTS:

Eduardo Rivera- Attorney
Brenda Ryan-Board Clerk
Tony Pimentel-Public Relations

ABSENT:

Tomas Virgen-Executive District Manager

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion was made by Board Member Romo second by Board Member Apodaca to approve the agenda for May 27, 2020. Motion passed by the following vote wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Martinez, Apodaca, Romo
NOES: None

CLOSED SESSION:

No action taken in closed session. Direction was given by the board to Legal Counsel Mr. Rivera in closed session.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME:

Mr. Olmedo gave an update on what they are doing to help the residents during this pandemic and also informed the board that they are here to help Heffernan with anything they need during this time of need.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion was made by Board Member Romo and seconded by Board Member Apodaca to approve the minutes for March 11, 2020, March 16, 2020, March 18, 2020 and March 25, 2020. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Martínez, Apodaca, Romo

NOES: None

REPORTS ON MEETING AND EVENTS ATTENDED BY DIRECTORS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DIRECTOR ATTENDANCE AT UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Board Member Romo reported that last week she attended two meetings with Governance and Finance committees.

Board Member Apodaca reported that she also attended the Finance committee meeting with Mrs. Romo.

Board Member Grijalva reported that she and Mr. Valdez went around the city to places and residents where we have donated equipment to show the public that we are doing something not like how this individual says we are doing nothing.

Board Member Valdez reported that he and Mrs. Grijalva attended a meeting with the City manager and Asst. City manager. They went on a public service announcement on TV that is transmitted now on channel 7. They also had a working meeting doing equipment. Putting the equipment together to go and give to the seniors at the senior citizen complex.

REPORTS BY ALL HMHD COMMITTEES

Board Member Romo reported that it was discussed at the Governance committee is to propose to the board a physiological program for the residents of Calexico to work their minds during this critical pandemic. There are a lot of people who are desperate in their homes and have problems in their home. There many things going on in a home during this pandemic. In the past when we did this type of work with Mrs. Reyes we were able to help many families. The idea is to try and bring a specialized provider to support the residents of Calexico. Mrs. Romo reported that Mr. Martinez also attended the meeting and he made some comments of what was happening in the hospital with those patients that are ill. She is requesting for the board to consider placing this item on the agenda and to see who would be the most qualified person for this position. Board Member Apodaca recommended considering Behavioral Health because this is what they dedicate themselves to do. Board Member Grijalva would like to know how would we expense it out or how would we work this out to. She knows that Behavioral Health is the main one here and Martha Reyes is private and how would this be done? Would it be done through telemedicine? Board Member Apodaca prefers local and use telemedicine because that is what everyone is using as long as the quarantine is going on. Board Member Valdez comments is that we have to think about it and develop a plan of action. What are we going to do? How are we going to do it? What amount are we going to give to this program? He thinks we are going to have to take our time and see what our priorities and how far to do we want to go if we want to go local or hire someone for outside. He thinks it is a good idea but it is something that we have to think about.

Board Member Apodaca reported that in finance it was discussed the increase of the account for the provider of services that we are funding. They also discussed that we need to start figuring out the budget for the next year and start seeing the evaluation and how much we are going to set to that amount and this

was just discussed as general between herself and Mrs. Romo in the finance committee. Overall in the budgets we need to set up an amount.

COMMENTS BY TONY PIMENTEL

Mr. Pimentel reported that they introduced a PSA digital about the district and all the things they are doing. Next month they are going to do another video. We received the masks and prepared 240 bags to give to the seniors. We are still waiting for more masks. He also reported that we have a new website of the district. Mr. Virgen instructed him to get some prices for next month on some equipment. The school district reached out to Mr. Virgen to discuss the swimming pool and they will be meeting next week. Mr. Virgen approved for Univision to play the video for 1 month promotion.

COMMENTS BY EXECUTIVE DISTRICT MANAGER:

Board Member Valdez gave a brief update for Mr. Virgen on the community emergency response team. They are meeting with the city to develop a response team in case of an emergency. They met last Monday and this Monday it was canceled because it was a holiday but we were supposed to meet yesterday but the city cancelled because they had another emergency.

On COVID-19 we received 1000 masks, approximately 5000 gloves and we are still waiting for 12 thousand masks to arrive by this Friday or early next week. We put together 240 bags with gloves, masks and hand sanitizers and plus a flyer on how to recognize COVID-19 symptoms and what to do if they thing they have it.

COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL:

None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and/or action on preliminary budget.

Board Member Valdez believes we are going to have to table this item because we do not have anything from Mr. Amesquita. We did request it and thought we would have it today but we do not.

Motion amended was made by Board Member Romo and second by Board Member Romo to table this item. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Martinez, Apodaca, Romo

NOES: None

Item will placed on the next agenda.

2. Discussion and/or action on status of May 19th meeting with Calexico medical providers.

Board Member Valdez reported that they had a video conference with different providers. He believes we invited 17 providers and only 2 responded and Mr. Virgen asked them if they wanted to participate in doing the testing and they declined that they did not want to participate but they

did request PPE and disinfect for their clinic and we are going to provide some disinfect that we already ordered.

3. Discussion and/or action on authorization of increasing District credit card.

Board Member Apodaca reported that she spoke with Rosario and Rosario spoke with someone at Rabobank and she said that we have a debit card and the amount is for \$2,000 and the person who is using the debit card can debit \$1,000 every 24 hours. Mrs. Apodaca always thought that there was a limit on the card. She would like to talk to the lady directly and if we amend the limit we can do it but in a formal manner. We need to have more information. We also have a \$5,000 credit on the credit card from Sun Community and if we need to increase the amount because of the need we can call the bank and send a letter signed by the directors that we all agree to increase the amount that is needed but we would need to do it all together. Those are instruction of the bank policies. It is a matter of talking to them and we think that also any emergency purchase we have to do we have the accounting and we can order. She does not believe this is going to stay forever. We may continue for months but we have to learn to adapt. It is the matter of doing, think and not doing things in a hurry so we avoid mistakes. We need to have transpiercing, clear accounting and no confusions. Everything needs to be clear for the public and for peace of mind.

Board Member Valdez informed the public that the reason this was placed on the agenda is because we have a lot of difficulty to get equipment from vendors. There is a need for the vendors to see payment before they send the equipment so we don't have those amounts on the cards we can't do it. We have been having a lot of trouble going to the banks for them to give us a higher monetary value on that card. We have to go get checks and it takes time and if we want to continue to get equipment for our community he believes we need to at least set a limit on a card that we can get as soon as possible.

Motion amended was made by Board Member Romo and second by Board Member Martinez to approve increasing the districts credit card to \$25 thousand dollars. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Martinez, Apodaca, Romo
NOES: None

4. Discussion and/or action on the Treasurer Report.

Motion amended was made by Board Member Romo and second by Board Member Martinez to approve the treasurer report. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Martinez, Apodaca, Romo
NOES: None

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:

Preliminary budget

Scholarships

Documents of all COVID-19 purchases

Prices on teleconference technology

Update on new website by Mr. Pimentel
Hiring a phycologist for the pandemic
Acknowledgement of surplus property

ADJOURNMENT:

With no future business to discuss Board Member Romo made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.
Second by Board Member Apodaca. All in favor.