

Minutes of the Open Session of the **El Camino Hospital Board of Directors** Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Pursuant to State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 18, 2020, El Camino Health did not provide a physical location for this meeting. Instead, the public was invited to join the open session meeting via teleconference.

Board Members Present

Board Members Absent

Members Excused

Lanhee Chen, Chair

George O. Ting, MD

None

Peter C. Fung, MD Julie Kliger, MPA, BS ** Julia E. Miller, Secretary/Treasurer Jack Po, MD, Ph.D.**

**via teleconference

Bob Rebitzer Carol A. Somersille, MD

Don Watters**

John Zoglin, Vice Chair

Agenda Item	Comments/Discussion	Approvals/ Action
1. CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL	The open session meeting of the Board of Directors of El Camino Hospital (the "Board") was called to order at 5:30 pm by Chair Chen. A verbal roll call was taken. All Board members were present at roll call, excluding Director Ting. Director Fung joined at 5:32 pm. Chair Chen reviewed the logistics for the meeting. A quorum was present pursuant to State of California Executive Orders N-25-20 dated March 12, 2020, and N-29-20 dated March 18, 2020.	
2. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES	Chair Chen asked the Board of Directors for declarations of conflict of interest with any items on the agenda, and none were reported.	
3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION	None	
4. QUALITY COMMITTEE REPORT	Director Kliger opened the discussion by presenting the Quality Committee Report as further detailed in the packet. She briefly noted the Quality Committee Members strive to have meaningful conversations that add real value to ECH leaders and management and continuously review the pacing of these items. At the last Quality Committee meeting, several additional topics were suggested, including patient access to care, ambulatory care protocols, patient experience, and annual employee engagement survey results emphasizing the culture of safety. A new informal report regarding hot spots was further requested to be added during the closed session to keep the Committee apprised of atypical care activities. Director Kliger as the Board of Directors for their feedback and discussion ensued. Director Rebitzer noted the operational impact of COVID on our patient care and their likelihood to recommend. He further asked for the development and regular reporting of a COVID-specific strategy to address these concerns and improve our scores. Director Zoglin asked for direction on the FY22 Quality Committee Goals. Dr. Adams, CMO, will follow up with an email to Director Zogllin.	
5. FY22 PERIOD 1 FINANCIALS	Carlos Bohorquez, CFO, opened the discussions by presenting the July 2021 financial results and highlighted the following:	
	 Strong operating/financial results for Period 1 were attributed to 	

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Ayes: Chen, Fung, Kliger, Miller, Po, Rebitzer, Somersille, Ting,

Second: Watters

Abstentions: None Absent: Ting

Watters, Zoglin Noes: None

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	Chair Chen called for discussion regarding agenda item 15f.	
	Director Miller voiced concerns about the cost of this process and would like to tighten up facilities projects, budget, and bidding process.	
	Director Zoglin responded that the Finance Committee had reviewed this project and approved the increased amount. He further stated that management has demonstrated a consistent ability to execute these projects.	
	Motion: to approve item 15f - Mountain View Cathlab Replacement Project.	
,	Movant: Miller Second: Zoglin Ayes: Chen, Fung, Kliger, Miller, Po, Rebitzer, Somersille, Watters, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: Ting Recused: None	
9. AGENDA ITEM 17: INPATIENT REHABILITATION	Motion: To approve Resolution 2021-03 regarding Inpatient Rehabilitation Joint Venture.	
JOINT VENTURE	Movant: Miller Second: Fung Ayes: Chen, Fung, Kliger, Miller, Po, Rebitzer, Somersille, Watters, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: Ting Recused: None	
10. AGENDA ITEM 18: CEO REPORT	Mr. Woods, CEO, reported that the American Heart/Stroke Association awarded the Peter C. Fung, MD Stroke Center the Stroke Gold Plus award for the 13th year running.	
	He further disclosed that on August 9, ECH implemented a COVID-19 vaccination policy, consistent with an order from the California Department of Public Health, that requires all staff to be fully vaccinated by September 30, 2021, and to date, 96% of all El Camino Health staff have been fully vaccinated.	
	In conclusion, Mr. Woods recognized El Camino Health's 60th year anniversary on September 1, 2021.	
11. AGENDA ITEM 19: BOARD COMMENTS	None.	
12. AGENDA ITEM 20: ADJOURNMENT	Motion: To adjourn at 8:05 pm. Movant: Miller Second: Kliger Ayes: Chen, Fung, Kliger, Miller, Po, Rebitzer, Somersille, Watters, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: Ting Recused: None	Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

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Attest as to the approval of the foregoing minutes by the Board of Directors of El Camino Hospital:

Lanhee Chen

Chair, ECH Board of Directors

Julia E. Miller

Secretary, ECH Board of Directors

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