



**NORTH SONOMA COUNTY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Minutes of Special Meeting February 11, 2021 Meeting**

Please note copies of all pertinent material considered by the Board in Open Session are included in the final Board Packet.  
Also, note items are sometimes taken out of order and are so indicated.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Directors of the North Sonoma County Healthcare District met via Zoom with the Board Clerk hosting the meeting at 190 Foss Creek Circle, Suite F, Healdsburg CA on Thursday, February 11, 2021. Chair EJ Neil called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

*California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20 on March 12, 2020, relating to the convening of public meetings in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order, Board members will attend the meeting via Zoom.*

Board Clerk, Susan Schmid, called the roll. The following Board members were present via Zoom constituting a quorum,

EJ Neil, Chair  
David Anderson MD, Vice Chair  
Jim Nantell, Treasurer  
Sue Campbell, Secretary  
Erin Gore, Director

Absent:

none

Also present via Zoom:

William Arnone, District Counsel and Ross Jones, Counsel

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Director Campbell and seconded by Director Anderson to approve the agenda.

**Vote: Neil: Y Anderson: Y Nantell: Y Campbell: Y Gore: Y. The motion was approved unanimously**

**Public Comment on Closed Session** None.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Chair Neil adjourned to Closed Session at 4:05pm.

**RECONVENE OPEN SESSION**

The Board returned to Open Session at 5:00 pm.

Counsel reported out on Closed Session discussion.

**ITEM 1: Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (1); Name of case: Poppen adv. Healdsburg District Hospital.**

**Reportable action was taken. The motion authorizing rejection of this claim was made by Director Nantell and seconded by Director Neil.**

**Vote: Neil: Y Anderson: Y Nantell: Y Campbell: Y Gore: Y. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**ITEM: 2 Public Employee Appointment pursuant to Government Code Section 54957; Title: Initial staff position. No reportable action was taken.**

**Public Comment for Open Session:** none

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

## **1. Discussion and Possible Approved of District Funding in Support of Alliance Medical Center and Alexander Valley Healthcare COVID-19 Vaccine Community Collaborative Clinics.**

The Board welcomed

Debbie Howell, CEO Alexander Valley HealthCare  
Kim Bender, Executive Director. Healthcare Foundation Northern California  
Joan Churchill, CEO Alliance Medical Center  
Sue Labbe, Medical Director, Alliance Medical Center  
Terry Leach, Alliance Board Member  
Susan Lentz, Alliance Board Member

Erin Gore, District representative for the Vaccine Collaborative led the discussion.

Erin held meetings with all the FQHC stakeholders, along with community members and local, state, and federal officials to understand the reimbursement landscape, including Dept. of Health SoCO, Supervisor Gore, Assemblyman Wood, Senator Huffman Office, Healthcare Foundation and Corazon Healdsburg

Erin reviewed the following with the Board detailing the financial assistance need for “Project Jump Start” as defined in the Proforma.

1. Highlights of clinics to date
2. Overview of Pro Forma
3. Agree to Project Jump Start Strategy
4. Finalize Option of Choice for temporary funding gap – Option #1 recommended
5. Discuss as Loan vs. Grant
6. Assign steps to take action to create documents
7. Follow-up actions and reporting

*See materials in the Board packets for details.*

Discussion ensued regarding the best way the Board could support the efforts of Project Jump Start.

**A motion to accept Option#1 as presented in the Proforma documents and recommended by Erin Gore made by Director Jim Nantell and seconded by Director EJ Neil**

**Vote: Neil: Y Anderson: Y Nantell: Y Campbell: Y Gore: Y. The motion was approved unanimously.**

***Follow UP Action on the Following:***

**Erin Gore** - A proposal for how to allocate the funds for the Board and Counsel Arnone to review

**Bill Arnone** – Prepare document for the loan forgiveness program that details funds allocation, timing, structure and recipients.

**Kim Bender, Sue Campbell and Erin Gore** - Workup a community presentation with direct asks for the Healthcare Foundation, Community Foundation, Healdsburg Forever, and Rotary groups. See option #1 presented regarding allocation of community funds.

**Erin Gore** will continue to work with the county on their funding strategy and keep the collaborative informed.

### **Discussion/Update and Possible Action Regarding New District Housekeeping**

- a. Gina Fabiano is contracted to maintain the District website
- b. Julie Hanamura is volunteering on an interim basis. Jim Nantell and Sue Campbell are authorizing check payments.
- c. Opportunity for Investment of District Funds. This discussion was led by EJ Neil.

***Follow UP Action on the Following:***

EJ Neil and Jim Nantell will follow with Anthony Cipolla, Cipolla Financials to agendaize Financial Advisory presentation to the Board.

### **STANDING ITEMS:**

#### **1. Consideration of Materials Disseminated by Board Members and Staff**

Board Members and Staff may share materials of interest.

Next Meeting Thursday February 25th

### **ADJOURNMENT: 6:02pm**

Chair Neil adjourned the February special meeting of the North Sonoma County Healthcare District.

Contact Susan Schmid for further information. [sschmid@nschd.org](mailto:sschmid@nschd.org)

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