



Conference Room

Southern Cascades Operations Base and Training Center

205 Ash Valley Road, Adin, CA 96006

August 15, 2022

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order by Vice Chairman Davis at 5:30 P.M.

Roll Call: Present: Chairman Davis, Director Endicott, Director Fisher, Director Joiner, Director Peterson

Absent: None

Chairman Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance

Deletions/Additions and Approval of Agenda

Director Peterson moved and Director Joiner seconded to Approve Agenda with no deletions or additions to Agenda.

RESULT: APPROVED, UNANIMOUS

AYES: Davis, Endicott, Fisher, Joiner, Peterson

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Public Comment: None

Consent Agenda

Director Joiner moved and Director Fisher seconded to Approve the Minutes from the following Meetings:

Regular Meeting- July 18, 2022

Special Board Meeting August 8, 2022

RESULT: APPROVED, UNANIMOUS

AYES: Davis, Endicott, Fisher, Joiner, Peterson

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

CFO reports on June 2022 and July 2022 Financials and answers any questions of the Board.

Consideration /Action:

Director Endicott moved and Director Joiner seconded to Table 8.1 until further date.

RESULT: APPROVED, UNANIMOUS

AYES: Davis, Endicott, Fisher, Joiner, Peterson

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Information / Discussion: None

Board reviews the June and July 2022 Financials and asks any questions they have to CFO.

Director Fisher moved and Director Endicott seconded to Approve the 2022-2023 Private Pay HTS Rate Schedule.

RESULT: APPROVED, UNANIMOUS

AYES: Davis, Endicott, Fisher, Joiner, Peterson

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Information and Discussion: District General Administrator discusses cash flow issues and financial difficulties. If things don't improve we may have to go back to QRV some days or even BLS ambulance coverage on some days to help alleviate the overtime pay to Medics.

EMS Division Manager, Alisa Allison discusses with Board that all the Medics we have hired have jobs elsewhere and that there is a National shortage of Paramedics. Due to our staff working other jobs sometimes Alisa Allison and Tom Rady are the Medics available which is generating the overtime pay. By going to the BLS ambulance coverage for two days a week it would help us not have to pay the overtime pay when we are in a financial crunch. We have some qualified EMT's that could provide quality BLS care when we need to go to the BLS model. With the BLS ambulance coverage we would still be able to generate billable runs where as if we had to go back to QRV none of the runs would be billable as we would not be transporting.

Correspondence: None

District General Administrator Report:

- **Grants:** Grants Manager is out sick. She has reported that she has submitted the 2010 Census Data and that we are at 55% grant level. She is working with Debbie McCoy at the USDA Rural Development to see if there is a way we can afford this by possibly getting a loan on the balance of grant to replace our older HTS vehicles.

- **HTS**
 - Averaging close to \$20,000. Per week.

- Many vehicles are currently down. One Suburu that was rear ended has resulted in litigation. It is currently at Intermountain Body Works and is taking a while to complete. We have two other Suburu's that have damage due to hitting deer. One is still in service and it needs a new grill put on. The other which was much more body damage has been towed to Pioneer Auto in Alturas. They have tore it down and have given the estimate of \$16,700 to the insurance adjuster. We are waiting on SDRMA's decision. Our older gurney van 5358 has a leak and the estimate is \$700.00 to fix. We are still able to use this on short local trips.
- Labor and fuel costs are high.

HTS Supervisor, Angelina Davidson report:

- Our HTS trip numbers are down since April. We are having many issues with MTM and the new integrated system with Medi-Routes. MTM is cancelling trips that were previously assigned to us without communicating with us. So we will come in the morning and see that trip has disappeared and our drivers and vehicles are already on the way to destination. In addition, there have been double booked trips where our driver gets to destination and another company has picked them up. In addition, MTM is not assigning trips in our service area and stating to members that they are not in Southern Cascades service center and therefore assigning other companies the trips even when member requests us. To help document this Dispatcher and Angelina are taking a screen shot of these incidences and sending to our new representatives at MTM to see if they will help.
- Our used van we purchased has Commercial plates and license issues. Paperwork is in Sacramento. I spoke to Vanessa our new Representative from MTM and she has waived our temporary license for 30 days. We are currently using the van for Partnership trips.
- Angelina Davidson asks District General Administrator if he has been able to submit a list of zip codes to MTM to be sure they have our

correct service areas listed? District General Administrator states that these are submitted by County. We have Modoc, Lassen, Siskiyou and Shasta Counties submitted.

- **EMS**

- **EMS Division Manager, Alisa Allison gives report:**

- We have hired a new Medic for fires.
 - I have been working on restocking fire ambulance so it should be ready to go if we get an assignment.
 - I have been checking around and have been told that the going rate for USFS Fire assignments are in the area of \$3000.00 for BLS Ambulance and \$3500.00 for ALS Ambulance coverage.
 - I have been told that if given a Cal Fire assignment that we would do better accepting an hourly rate as opposed to the daily rate. I will do more checking on what these rates might be.

- **District General Administrator report continued:**

- BVJUSD has had an appraiser come out and do a thorough inspection of outside and inside of buildings.
 - Per Sophia Meyer's our Counsel who is present via remote; the school district is not required to share the result of appraisal information with us. We can ask if they will be willing to share it with us.

We cannot offer over 10% of the Appraised value.

- District General Administrator asks our Counsel if she can research the clause in our current lease that states we can only lease to a non-profit. Is there a way we can ask the BVJUSD if there is a way to change this clause so that we can be able to be getting monies from a lease from Air Methods? This would help us with our cash flow issues we are having with the HTS side. Counsel has asked us for a copy of

our current lease and the breakdown of what we provide for Air Methods.

Board Reports: None

Closed Session is entered into at 7:15 P.M.

Per Government Code 54957, Public Employee Performance Evaluation District General Administrator.

Resume Open Session at 8:32 P.M.

Instruction is given to Staff as a result of the Closed Session.

Board decides to form an Ad Hoc Committee to assist the District in developing a Job Classification for the Position of the District General Administrator.

Appointed to the Committee is Director Peterson and Chairman Davis.

It was also recommended by Legal Counsel that we add to our Board Meeting Agenda's moving forward that each Department Division Manager (Education, HTS, EMS) give their own report for each Division at Board Meetings.

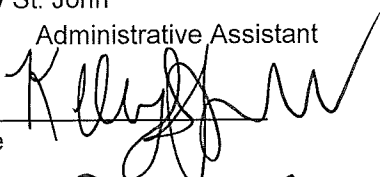
Board President Adjourns meeting at 8:34 P.M.

Attest:

Kelly St. John

Administrative Assistant

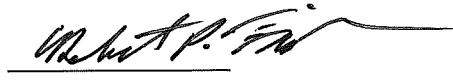
Date


9-19-22

Robert Fisher

Board Secretary

Date


9-19-2022