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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors April 1, 2025

The Governing Board of Gonzales Healthcare Systems met in a Regular Meeting on April 1, 2025, at 5:15 P.M. at THRIVE Healthplex Conference Room.

Directors Present:

Kenneth Gottwald – President
Greg Tieken – Vice President
Stephanie Kodack – Secretary
Wayne South – Member
Gene Reed – Member
Tim Markham – Member
Sascha Kardosz – Member (5:26p)
Lisa Gindler – Member (5:26p/8:00p)

Directors Absent:

Kerry Morgan - Member

Others Present:

Brandon Anzaldua, CEO	Christina Carlile, HR Assistant
Billy Bailey, CFO	Britney Farris, Executive Assistant
Dr. Kathleen Koerner, DO, FACOS, Chief of Staff	Brenden Rokke, Ovation (Virtual)
Karen Iacuone, CNO	Garrett Martin, AGCM (Virtual)
Juli Clay, Compliance Officer	
Amanda Frederick, Home Health Administrator	
John Pirkle, Infection Control/Quality Director	
Jeffrey Markham, Clinic Director	
Fletcher Brown, Phelps Dunbar LLP (virtual, 5:23p/7:06p)	

The meeting was called to order at 5:23 P.M. by Kenneth Gottwald - President.

CALL TO ORDER

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gene Reed.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Invocation was given by Kenneth Gottwald

INVOCATION

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There was no one present for Public Comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kaitlyn Murray with OnBoard presented training to members on the new board meeting management system.

ONBOARD SYSTEM
TRAINING

Motion was made and **approved** to close Open Session of the Board Board of Director’s meeting at 5:40PM on April 1, 2025. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Stephanie Kodack) There were eight votes for and none against the motion.

CLOSE OPEN
SESSION

Meeting was called into Executive Session, Pursuant to the Provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code; Section 551.071, Section 551.072, Section 551.073, Section 551.074, Section 551.076, Section 551.085, and Section 161.032 under the Texas Health & Safety Code at 5:42PM on April 1, 2025. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Wayne South) There were eight votes for and none against the motion.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Motion was made and **approved** to adjourn Executive Session at 6:46PM on April 1, 2025. (Motion by Greg Tieken, second by Tim Markham) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion.

ADJOURN
CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was called into the Open Session at 6:46PM on April 1, 2025. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Wayne South) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion.

CALL MEETING
INTO OPEN
SESSION

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the AGCM Invoice as presented in in Executive Session **at the direction of the attorney.** (Motion by Greg Tieken, second by Stephanie Kodack) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion.

APPROVE
AGCM
INVOICE

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the E4H Invoice as presented in Executive Session **at the direction of the attorney.** (Motion by Greg Tieken, second by Gene Reed) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion.

APPROVE
E4H INVOICE

Motion was made and **approved** to ratify Pay Application #7 as presented in Executive Session **at the direction of the attorney.** (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Sascha Kardosz) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion.

APPROVE
PAY APP#7

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Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Prime Contract Change Order #10 (PCO) for the amount of \$2,431.80 as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Tim Markham) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion. **APPROVE PCO #10**

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Prime Contract Change Order #15 (PCO) for the amount of and **NOT TO EXCEED** \$3150.00 as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Tim Markham, second by Gene Reed) There were eight votes for And no votes against the motion. **APPROVE PCO #15**

Motion was made and approved to **TABLE** the Prime Contract Change Order #20 (PCO) for the amount of \$80,000. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Greg Tieken) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion. **TABLE PCO #20**

Motion was made and approved to **REJECT** the Prime Contract Change Order #22 (PCO) for the amount of \$6,619.00 as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Wayne South) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion. **REJECT PCO #22**

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Prime Contract Change Order #25 (PCO) for the amount of \$882.00 **pending negotiation**. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Tim Markham) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion. **APPROVE PCO #25**

Motion was made and approved to **TABLE** Prime Contract Change Order #29 (PCO) **pending additional samples**. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Wayne South) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion. **TABLE PCO #29**

Motion was made and approved to **TABLE** Prime Contract Change Order #30 (PCO) **pending additional samples**. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Wayne South) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion. **TABLE PCO #30**

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Prime Contract Change Order #31 (PCO) for the amount of and **NOT TO EXCEED \$8,299.08 pending additional quotes for concrete**. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Gene Reed) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion. **APPROVE PCO #31**

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Prime Contract Change Order #33 (PCO) **NOT TO EXCEED 10% above quoted amount of \$14,737.00 or \$16,210.70**. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Greg Tieken) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion. **APPROVE PCO #33**

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Consent Agenda:

- Minutes of the Gonzales Healthcare Systems Foundation Meeting, February 19,2025
- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Board of Directors, March 4, 2025
- Minutes of the Building Committee Meeting, March 20, 2025
- Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, March 24, 2025
- Employee Call Back Policy
- Restraint and Seclusion Policy
- District Discounts (Redlined) Policy
- Financial Policy and Healthcare Transparency Policy
- GHS Contracted Security Staff Policy
- Informed Consent to Medical or Surgical Treatment (Redlined) Policy
- Interim Life Safety Measures – ILSM Policy
- Law Enforcement Officers Presenting Subpoenas and Warrants for Patients and Staff Policy
- No Surprises Act Good Faith Estimate Policy
- Nursing Home QIPP Report
- Cerner Clinical AI Agent (CAA)
- Cameras
- Firewall Replacement
- Property Insurance Renewal (Ratification)

No items were requested to be pulled for discussion. Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Wayne South) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion.

**APPROVE
CONSENT
AGENDA**

FINANCIAL REPORT AS PRESENTED BY BILLY BAILEY:

Motion was moved and **approved** to accept the Financial Report for February 2025 as presented with the following documents:

**FINANCIAL
REPORT**

- Balance Sheet
- Cash Flow Sheet
- Current Month and YTD Income Statement Compared to Last Year
- Current Month and YTD Income Statement Compared to Budget
- Departmental Charge/Expense Report
- Departmental Charge/Supply Expense Report
- Receivable, Payor Mix and Collections
- Cash Comparison
- Trend Report
- Capital Expenditure Report

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- Investment Schedule
- Tax Report
- Construction & Remodel Spending
- Foundation
- Nursing Home Financials

(Motion by Gene Reed, second by Tim Markham) There were eight votes for and no votes against.

CEO REPORT AS PRESENTED BY BRANDON ANZALDUA:

CEO REPORT

Brandon presented the CEO Report discussing ongoing recruitment efforts with an OBGYN being vetted for permanent service. Home Health completed a full book survey in the week of March 17th with zero deficiencies ~ Congrats to the entire Home Health team. Budgeting 2026 is underway and a budget workshop will be scheduled soon. Facility Master Planning is ongoing with discussions on Dr. Eska's building for additional clinician space; remodel quotes are being requested. The swing bed application has been submitted with hopes of being active this summer.

The upcoming events are as follows:

April 29th - Executive Committee Meeting

May 6th – Regular Board Meeting

April 10th – 12th – Cattle Country

April 8th – Board Essentials Webinar – CMS Patient Safety Structural Measures

Motion was moved and **approved** to accept the CEO Report as presented with the following documents:

**APPROVE
CEO REPORT**

- Department Reports
- GHS Newsletter for April 2025
- Ovation Healthcare Board Education Series Webinar – Leveraging Ovation To Strengthen Community Healthcare

(Motion by Gene Reed, second by Tim Markham) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion.

OVATION HEALTHCARE UPDATE: Brenden Rokke was in attendance on behalf of Chip Holmes. Brenden gave recognition to GHS administration and Board members on the progress and continuation of success the hospital system has made while overcoming unique challenges. He also recognized Home Health in their survey findings of zero deficiencies. Brenden stated Chip will be on-site in May.

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Motion was made and **approved** to Adjourn Open Session of the Board of Director’s meeting at 7:43PM on April 1, 2025 (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Wayne South) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion.

**ADJOURN OPEN
SESSION**

Meeting was called into Executive Session, Pursuant to the Provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code; Section 551.071, Section 551.072, Section 551.073, Section 551.074, Section 551.076, Section 551.085, and Section 161.032 under the Texas Health & Safety Code at 7:44PM on April 1, 2025. (Motion by Lisa Gindler, second by Wayne South) There were eight votes for and no votes against the motion.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

Motion was made and **approved** to Adjourn Executive Session at 8:06 PM on April 1, 2025. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Wayne South) There were seven votes for and no votes against the motion.

**ADJOURN
CLOSED
SESSION**

The meeting was called into the Open Session at 8:06 PM on April 1, 2025. (Motion by Greg, second by Tim Markham) There were seven votes for and no votes against the motion.

**CALL MEETING
INTO OPEN
SESSION**

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Medical Staff Report as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Tim Markham, second by Sascha Kardosz) There were seven votes for and no votes against the motion.

**APPROVE
MEDICAL
STAFF REPORT**

Motion was made and **approved** to accept credentialing application for Billie Joe Marek, M.D., Courtesy Staff, Hematology/Oncology Privileges As presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Stephanie Kodack, second by Tim Markham) There were seven votes for and no votes against the motion.

**CREDENTIALING
APPLICATION
B.J. MAREK**

Motion was made and **approved** to accept credentialing application for Erica Rangnow, R.N., ED Obstetric Patient Medical Screening Exams as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Tim Markham, second by Stephanie Kodack) There were seven votes for and no votes against the motion.

**CREDENTIALING
APPLICATION
E. RANGNOW**

Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Performance Improvement and Patient Safety Report as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Gene Reed, second by Wayne South) There were seven votes for against the motion.

**APPROVE
PI/PATIENT
SAFETY**


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Motion was made and **approved** to accept the Compliance Report as presented in Executive Session. (Motion by Tim Markham, second by Gene Reed) There were seven votes for and no votes against the motion.

APPROVE
COMPLIANCE
REPORT

Motion was made and **approved** to adjourn the meeting. (Motion by Wayne South, second by Tim Markham) There were seven votes for and no votes against the motion.

ADJOURNMENT



Kenneth Gottwald
President



Stephanie Kodack
Secretary