



***“Working Together to Help People Help Themselves”***

**PUBLIC NOTICE- AMENDED AGENDA  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 – 5:30 PM  
1501 WEST BEAUREGARD, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS 76901  
TELECONFERENCE LINE: 833-8815-7671 ACCESS CODE: 828054**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESENT:**

Cary Houston  
Jeff Gibson  
Linda Kujawski  
Drew Peterson

Dr. Tim Davenport-Herbst  
Jana Harrison  
Don McKee

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES VIA ZOOM:**

Dr Sangeeta Singg

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES ABSENT:**

Judge Frank Tambunga

**TOM GREEN COUNTY SHERIFF PRESENT:** Lt. Quentin Williams

**REAGAN COUNTY SHERIFF ABSENT:** Jeff Garner

**1. Call the meeting to order, invocation, certification of a quorum**

At approximately 5:35pm Mr. Houston called the meeting to order. Dr. Davenport-Herbst gave the invocation.

**2. Public comments will be limited to three (3) minutes**

No public comments.

**3. Introduction of New Chief Financial Officer – Deborah Penaluna**

Mr. Gregory J. Rowe, CEO, introduced Deborah Penaluna, newly hired CFO. Ms. Penaluna comes with lots of experience in government accounting and processes.

**4. Highlights – Suicide Prevention Awareness Activities**

September is Suicide Awareness and the Center's Zero Suicide Team gave a report on the impact of suicide prevention activities. Data consisted of the zero-suicide program, mental health first aid, military veteran peer network, and school based prevention activities through the Behavioral Health Partnership Liaison Region 15.

**5. Employee of the Month for September**

Mr. Rowe announced that Leslie Hernandez, Children's Case Manager, was selected as the employee of the month for September.

6. Consider the Minutes of the August 22, 2024 Board Meeting

On motion of Mr. McKee, seconded by Ms. Kujawski, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

7. Consider the FY 2024 Financial Statements – August

On motion of the Finance Committee, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to accept the financial statement as presented. Motion carried.

The Center experienced a negative margin of \$28,391 for the month of August. The year-to-date margin at the end of August is a negative \$13,418. Many variances continued to be attributed to the crisis diversion funding. Specifically related to start-up of the program & being able to utilize the funding by the end of the fiscal year.

Month	Revenue	Expenses	Margin-Actual	Margin-Budget
August	\$1,507,636	1,536,027	(\$28,391)	(\$174,498)

Division Breakdown	July
Mental Health	\$(14,254)
IDD	\$39,008

8. Consider the FY 2024 Q4 Center Investments

On motion of the Finance Committee, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to accept the report as presented. Motion carried.

9. Consider the FY 2024 Q4 HHSC Financial Certification

On motion of the Finance Committee, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to accept the certification as presented. Motion carried.

10. Consider Bank Resolution - Additional Bank Signature – New CFO

On motion of the Finance Committee, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to approve the authorized signature of Deborah Penaluna, CFO, and adopt the resolution. Motion carried.

11. Consider the TexPool Resolution Amending Authorized Representatives

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Ms. Kujawski, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to amend the list of authorized representatives by add Deborah Penaluna, CFO. Motion carried.

12. Consideration of Monthly Report of the Finance Committee

- Discussion of Prior Year Lapsed HHSC Funds
- Ongoing review of the 1115 Medicaid Waiver Programs – Charity Care Pool (CCP) and Directed Payment Program (DPP)

- Review of the Chief Executive Officer's Expenses

On motion of the Finance Committee, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to accept the report as presented. Motion carried.

13. Consider the FY 2024 Q4 Program Committee Report

14. Consider Interlocal Agreements with the following entities:

- Coke – Mental Health Deputy Program
- Concho – Mental Health Deputy Program
- Crockett – Mental Health Deputy Program
- Reagan County – Mental Health Deputy Program & Psychiatric Services Reagan County Jail
- Sterling County – Mental Health Deputy Program
- Tom Green County – Services & Support, Mental Health Deputy Program, Psychiatric Services Tom Green County Jail

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Dr. Davenport-Herbst, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to accept the interlocal agreements and authorized the CEO signature. Motion carried.

15. Consideration of Board of Trustees Policies

- 3.01.00.01 Reserve Funds and Investment Policy

On motion of Dr. Davenport-Herbst, seconded by Mr. Gibson, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to approve the policy with the recommended changes. Motion carried.

- 4.10.00.00 Confidentiality of Consumer Patient

On motion of Dr. Davenport-Herbst, seconded by Mr. Gibson, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to approve the policy with the recommended changes. Motion carried.

- 4.28.00.00 Mental Health Deputy Program Policy

On motion of Dr. Davenport-Herbst, seconded by Mr. Gibson, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to approve the policy with the recommended changes. Motion carried.

16. Consider the FY 2025-2027 Strategic Plan

Mr. Rowe reported that the Executive Leadership Team and Dr. Joel Carr worked to update objectives and strategies of the three-year plan. He noted that the goals remained the same:

- To be the employer of choice for prospective and current employees
- To be an innovative and proactive Behavioral Health and IDD Center
- To improve quality across all Center functions
- To promote growth and access to Behavioral Health and IDD Services
- To pursue efficiencies & revenue growth opportunities for the Center

On motion of Ms. Kujwaski, seconded by Ms. Harrison, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to accept the plan as presented. Motion carried.

17. Consider the Report of the Chief Executive Officer regarding current Center Operations

Mr. Rowe's report included the following legislative issues and Center highlights:

- Legislative update-89<sup>th</sup> Session- HHSC posted its legislative appropriations request for FY2026-27 highlighting access to behavioral health.
- Working with Jelly Nonprofit Consulting, a Behavioral Health Needs Assessment has been completed.
- Noted the Quality Management internal reviews
- Staff highlights: Annual employee appreciation luncheon, Veteran recognition, Leadership Development Institute

On motion of Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Gibson, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to accept the report as presented. Motion carried.

18. Consider Proposed Plans for Center Properties and 505 S. Chadbourne by the City of San Angelo

- 404 S. Irving
- 4.54 Acres of land consisting of a strip of land 170' wide, lying 85' on each side of the center line of a concrete drain pipe at the Fish Hatchery

After consideration, this agenda item was tabled until further notice.

19. Consideration of State Leadership Thank You Letter to Chairs of Senate Finance and House Appropriations & Chairs of the respective subcommittees

On motion of Dr. Davenport-Herbst, seconded by Mr. McKee, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to authorize trustees sign the letter. Motion carried.

20. Corporate Compliance Training (standing agenda item)

- Final outcome of the OIG audit

Information only, no action required.

21. Assigned the Personnel Committee to present a Slate of Board Officers and Committee Members for the October Board of Trustees Meeting

Mr. Houston assigned the Personnel Committee to present a recommended slate of officers and committee members for the next regular meeting scheduled for October 24<sup>th</sup>.

22. Consider the next meeting, Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 5:30 pm and Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Peterson, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:10 pm. Motion carried.

All agenda items are subject to action and do not have to be taken in same order as shown on meeting notice. As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the Board of Trustees reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to seek legal advice from its Attorney about any matters listed on the agenda.

