

WEST WHARTON COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
April 6, 2026

A Meeting of West Wharton County Hospital District was held at 12 p.m. in the Hospital Conference Room of El Campo Memorial Hospital in El Campo, Texas and the following Board Members were present: Steve Cooper, President, Richard Kerzee, Vice President, Anthony Cisneros, Secretary, Patricia Korenek, Sean Bowers, Susanna Ozuna and Karen Middlebrook.

The Board Members absent were Travis Cobb, Cuatro Strack, Sherri Hardin and Rick Graff.

Others attending were Johnny Thompson, WWCHD Administrator, Heidi Dine, WWCHD Financial Manager, Irma Rocha, MCHS Senior Administrative Assistant, Carrie Cornett, MCHS Chief Financial Officer, Jeff Fuechec, FFB, Pamela Hunt, El Campo Medical Foundation, Kim Cooper, El Campo Medical Foundation and Randy Clapp.

Attending by Zoom: None.

- I. Upon determining that a quorum was present, Mr. Cooper, President, called the meeting to order at 12:11 p.m. It was noted that the agenda was properly posted on the WWCHD web page, at the County Clerk's office, the hospital web page, the front entrance of the hospital and Mid Coast Medical Clinic at 10:00 a.m. on April 1, 2026.
- II. The US and Texas pledges were said.
- III. The invocation was given by Steve Cooper.
- IV. Announcements/Public Comments (Presenters will be limited to 3 minutes and the Board is not required to respond to any items presented): None
- V. Review and Approval of the March 2, 2026: Richard Kerzee made a motion with a second by Sean Bowers to approve the minutes with a spelling correction. The motion carried.
- VI. Administrator's General Report/Financial Presentation for February 2026 was given by Johnny Thompson. Mr. Thompson presented the cash report and stated that WWCHD was still on track to meet the bank's cash covenant. Mr. Thompson also presented the February 2026 Financial Statements. Anthony Cisneros made a motion to accept the Cash/Financials Statements and the 2026-2027 Budget as presented. Patricia Korenek seconded the motion. The motion carried. He stated that Forvis Mazars has started the 2025-2026 audit and that the report deadline is September 2026. Mr. Thompson updated the board on the meetings with several different banks as a potential IGT funding bank. He stated that WWCHD has been prepaying the loan payments to FFB to save on interest. There were no legal updates since the last meeting. Mr. Thompson said the QIPP Y10 enrollment is still not approved for any facilities in the program. Mr. Thompson and Charles Slaten with WWCHD met with HHSC in Austin to discuss the QIPP program. He stated that it went well. Mr. Thompson presented the WWCHD board with 2 HUD refinances – Marine Creek and El Paso Health. Sean Bowers made a motion to approve with a second by Richard Kerzee. The motion passed.
- VII. Old Business
 - a. Mr. Thompson said that WWCHD received 3 RFQ's to review for an architect on the ECMH Repairs, Maintenance and Remodel. A committee will interview the applicants and vote.

- b. The ECMH repairs, maintenance and remodel update was given by Mr. Thompson. He stated that Pamela Hunt was working on new signage bids.

VIII. New Business

- a. Pamela Hunt gave an update on the Easter Community Outreach. She said the event had over 175 kids and 900 Easter Eggs. There was a bounce house, and the Easter Bunny made an appearance. Mrs. Hunt also gave an update on the Johnson Foundation. She stated that the Johnson Foundation gave back a \$5 million grant to use for repairs, maintenance and remodels at ECMH. She stated that she was working on 2 other grants.
- b. Carrie Cornett gave an update on ECMH. She stated that the Easter Egg Hunt was very successful. She stated that ECMH had Doctor Appreciation Day. Mrs. Cornett also gave an update on the new collection process. She stated that the contract with TruBridge was done and they are on a month-to-month basis. They are starting to use Sliced Health.

- IX. The was not executive session held.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Richard Kerzee, seconded by Patricia Korenek and the meeting adjourned at 12:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'AC' or similar initials, written over a horizontal line.

Anthony Cisneros, Secretary