WEST WHARTON COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
October 5, 2026

A Meeting of West Wharton County Hospital District was held at 5:30 p.m. at the WWCHD Office in El Campo, Texas. The following Board Members were present: Steve Cooper, President, Richard Kerzee, Vice President, Anthony Cisneros, Secretary, Travis Cobb, Treasurer, Patricia Korenek, Sean Bowers, Sherrie Hardin, Rick Graff, Susanna Ozuna and Karen Middlebrook.

Attending by Teams: Cuatro Strack

The Board Member absent was none.

Others attending were Johnny Thompson, WWCHD Administrator, Heidi Dine, WWCHD Financial Manager, Brett Kirkham, MCHS CEO, Irma Rocha, MCHS Senior Administrative Assistant, Pamela Hunt, El Campo Medical Foundation, and Kim Cooper, President El Campo Memorial Foundation.

I. Upon determining that a quorum was present, Mr. Cooper, President, called the meeting to order at 5:31 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 5:00 p.m. on September 30th, 2026.
II. The US and Texas pledges were said.
III. The invocation was given by Rick Graff.
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 September 8, 2026, meeting minutes and the September 21, 2026, special board meeting minutes: Travis Cobb made a motion with a second by Rick Graff to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
VI. Administrator's General Report/Financial Presentation was given by Johnny Thompson.
    a. Mr. Thompson presented the October 2026 cash report and the August 2026 Financial Statements. He stated that the October 2026 cash is projected to be $34.1M with $12M as the banking debt covenant. By the end of December 2026, the projected cash should be $38.5M with a $15M banking debt covenant. The December 2027 projected cash is $51.9M with a $20M banking debt covenant. Mr. Thompson stated that the WWCHD revenue is $1.5M ahead of budget due to additional funds coming in through the QIPP program. Expenses are under budget due to legal fees winding down. Richard Kerzee made a motion to accept the cash report and financial statements, subject to audit. Anthony Cisneros seconded the motion. The motion carried.
    b. Mr. Thompson presented the 2026-2027 budget. He stated that there has been an overall budget increase of $115K due to QIPP Income adjust for Y10. Travis Cobb made a motion to accept this updated resolution with a second by Sean Bowers. The motion carried.
    c. Mr. Thompson said that a third party – RTG Realty Trust Group – has given a quote of $6,500 to do a fair market value appraisal on the MOB.
    d. Mr. Thompson discussed the potential loan to PCMC for $650k. The WWCH discussed the option of doing a hard cash loan or not. There was a motion made by

Anthony Cisneros to remove this discussion from the WWCHD agenda. A second was made by Patricia Korenek. The motion passed.

e. Mr. Thompson gave an update on the Remarkable Healthcare lawsuit. He stated that the hearing had been moved to 11/10/26. He will update the board on the findings after the hearing.

VII. Old Business

a. Steve Cooper and Johnny Thompson discussed the ECMH repairs, maintenance and renovations. Mr. Thompson presented the board with updated drawings for the ECMH renovations. After the discussion, Mr. Cooper asked the board to look at the drawings to see if any changes were needed. Mr. Thompson then explained the process to submit an RFQ for a construction manager.

b. Mr. Thompson presented the WWCHD Board with a high-level renovation budget. This budget is needed for the RFQ for a construction manager. A motion was made by Travis Cobb to set the budget at $25M. A second was made by Sean Bowers. The motion passed.

c. Mr. Cooper and Mr. Thompson presented the Board with 2 quotes for the plumbing renovations. Seaman's was for $525K and Son-Shine was for $407.5K. After a discussion about Precision Plumbing, it was decided to give them a week to submit a quote. This vote was tabled until the Precision quote was received.

X. New Business

a. Mr. Cooper discussed changing the time for the regular monthly board meeting from 12:00 pm to 5:30 pm. After a board discussion, Travis Cobb made a motion to keep the meeting time at 12:00 noon on the first Monday of each month, with the meeting place changed to the WWCHD Offices at 201 S. Mechanic Street, El Campo, Texas. A second was made by Patricia Korenek. The motion passed.

b. Pamela Hunt gave a brief update on the LCRA grants that ECMH had applied for. She stated that ECMH has made it to the last round. She should know something in 2 weeks. Mrs. Hunt stated that everyone needed to go see Mid Town. It has been decorated for Breast Cancer Month.

e. Brett Kirkham gave an update on ECMH. He stated that they had arranged for Victoria Cardiology to be at the MCHS Clinic. He also stated that ECMH is talking to a potential Director of Plant Operations.

XI. The WWCHD Board entered into an executive session at 7:27 pm. The executive session ended at 8:30 pm.

XII. Travis Cobb made a motion for the WWCHD board to immediately pursue option 2 (member substitution) by terminating the existing lease with ECMH and restructure the membership and governance of the current 501(c)3 operator. It was stated to give ECMH 45 days to respond. If the 501(c)3 disagrees, then WWCHD will immediately opt for option 1 (full CHOW). Karen Middlebrook seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 9-2 majority vote.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Travis Cobb, seconded by Patricia Korenek and the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony Cisneros, Secretary