

**TARRANT COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT (TCHD)**  
d/b/a JPS HEALTH NETWORK  
**1500 S. Main Street**  
**Fort Worth, TX 76104**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, OPC Conference Room**

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**BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING**  
**1:00 P.M. THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026**

**MEETING MINUTES**

This Tarrant County Hospital District ("District") Board of Managers Meeting met on Thursday, May 14, 2026, with the following members present:

Dustin Austin (Acting Chair)  
Dorothy DeBose  
Allan Rodger  
Ron Clevenger  
Blake Woodard  
David Mansdoerfer  
Chuck Taggart

**Absent:**

DT Nguyen (Board Chair)  
Rev. Ralph Emerson  
Demetria Bivens  
Casey Ford

**Others Attending:**

Karen Duncan, MD, President & Chief Executive Officer  
Daphne Walker, EVP, Chief Legal Officer  
Shannon Fletcher, SVP, Chief of Staff & External Affairs  
Jill Farrell, Sr. EVP, Chief Operations Officer  
Cheryl Berry, Interim SVP, Chief Nursing Officer  
Kim Hodgkinson, EVP, Chief Financial Officer  
Saba Asad, MD, Chief Medical Officer  
Colin Werenka, SVP, Chief Compliance Officer  
Kelli Reale, Interim SVP, Chief HR Officer  
Valentino Grassetto (T.J.), VP Chief Strategy & Business Development  
Dawn Fernald, VP, Communications  
Razaq Badamosi, VP, Network Quality Officer  
Stephanie Carson-Henderson, Chair, Women's and Infants  
Angela McDonald, Executive Director, Spiritual Care & Ethics  
Jessica Kirby, MD  
Lani Taylor, Legal Ops Manager

**I. CALL TO ORDER – D. Austin (Acting Chair)**

*Mr. Austin called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.*

**II. OPENING PRAYER & PLEDGE – A. MacDonald**

*Invocation given by Angela MacDonald.*

**III. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

*There were no citizens present to address the Board.*

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Approval of the Board of Managers Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2026

**Action:** *Ms. DeBose made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2026 Board of Managers Meeting, seconded by Mr. Woodard, motion passed unanimously.*

**V. BOARD CHAIR REPORT – D. Austin**

*Mr. Austin was the acting chair and did not have a report.*

**VI. CEO REPORT – K. Duncan**

**Summary:** *CEO Report highlighted the following –*

- *New Hospital Groundbreaking Event*
- *Fort Worth Police Department/CRU Patient Care*
- *Celebrating Nurses and Patient Experience Week*
- *External Quality Rankings 2026*
- *CMS Hospital Overall Star Rating*
- *Leapfrog Safety Grade*

**VII. REPORT FROM MEDICAL EXECUTIVE STAFF COMMITTEE REQUIRING DISCUSSION(S), UPDATE(S), DELIBERATION(S), ACTION(S) AND/OR APPROVAL – J. Kirby**

A. Request for Approval of Medical Staff Appointments and Privileges

**Action:** *Motion for approval by Mr. Woodard, seconded by Ms. DeBose, motion passed unanimously.*

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTION**

A. Finance, Planning & Investment Committee – April 23, 2026 – D. Austin

B. Quality and Patient Safety Committee – April 23, 2026 - D. DeBose

*The Board received a summary report on topics that were discussed at the April Finance, Planning & Investment Committee meeting and Quality and Patient Safety Committee meeting.*

**IX. REPORTS/UPDATES NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION(S)**

A. Update on Neonatal Program - S. Carson- Henderson, MD

*Dr. Carson provided a high-level update on the Neonatal Program.*

**X. CONSIDER MATTERS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION(S) AND/OR APPROVAL**

A. Consider Approval of the Level III Neonatal Program Plan Resolution – S. Carson- Henderson, MD

**Action:** *Motion for approval by Ms. DeBose, seconded by Mr. Clevenger, motion passed unanimously.*

**XI. CONSENT AGENDA: ALL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED IN BOARD COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND MAY REQUIRE LITTLE OR NO DELIBERATION BY THE BOARD OF MANAGERS BUT REQUIRE BOARD APPROVAL.**

**Action:** *Ms. DeBose made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Taggart, motion passed unanimously.*

**FINANCE, PLANNING & INVESTMENT**

- A. March 2026 Unaudited Financial Report
- B. (1) Exemption to Bid and (2) Contract between Tarrant County Hospital District and UpToDate, Inc. (1351509) to provide internet-based clinician support tools integrated into Epic - \$2,345,787.00 total cost over a 5-year term.
- C. Addendum to DIR Contract No. DIR-CPO-5347 (Cisco Network Switch) between Tarrant County Hospital District and General Datatech, LP (1369311) the replacement of Cisco network switching hardware - \$849,794.94 total cost over a 3-year term.
- D. (1) Exemption to Bid and (2) Order Form between Tarrant County Hospital District and Health Recovery Solutions, Inc. (1371256) to provide remote patient monitoring - \$1,207,480.00 total cost, \$213.120.00 additional request over a 1-year term.
- E. Approval Addendum to DIR Contract No. DIR-CPO-5687 (VM Ware License) between Tarrant County Hospital District and Prescriptive Data Solutions, LLC (1373219) to provide current support on-premises VMWare infrastructure - \$7,965,303.85 total cost over 5-year term.
- F. Approval of Addendum to DIR Contract No. DIR-CPO-5687 (Network Infrastructure) between Tarrant County Hospital District and General Datatech, L.P. (1372307) to provide critical network infrastructure - \$537,365.76 total cost over a 1-year term.
- G. Approval of (1) Exemption to Bid and (2) Supply Agreement between Tarrant County Hospital District and Prolacta Bioscience (1357190) to provide 100% human milk-based fortifiers for premature infants in the NICU - \$757,320.00 total cost over a 3-year term.
- H. Approval of Baxter Healthcare Corporation Contract between Tarrant County Hospital District and Baxter Healthcare Corporation (1364166) to provide IV solutions - \$6,300,00.00 total cost over a 5-year term.
- I. Approval of Interlocal Agreement between Tarrant County Hospital District and Harris County Department of Education (1368281) to provide purchasing power of Texas governmental entities - \$0 cost over a 1-year term.
- J. Approval of (1) Exemption to Bid and (2) RPNT Acute Services Dialysis Services Agreement between Tarrant County Hospital District and RPNT Acute Services (1368562) to provide routine ambulatory Hemodialysis to Tarrant County Jail patients - \$1,311,072.00 total cost over a 3-year term.

- K. Approval of Purchase Agreement between Tarrant County Hospital District and Morris & Dickson Co., LLC (1130412) to provide pharmaceutical products to the district - \$252,102,035.00 total cost, \$99,106,469.00 additional request over a 5-year term.
- L. Approval of Amendment of Agreement between Tarrant County Hospital District and Quest Diagnostics Clinical Laboratories, Inc. (1371521) To provide clinical laboratory testing services to the district - \$2,109,440.00 total cost over a 5-year term.
- M. Approval of Service Order #3 between Tarrant County Hospital District and Covalus, LLC (1372436) to provide the hospital with secure medical equipment - \$2,697,777.00 total cost over a 5-year term.

**QUALITY COMMITTEE**

- A. Approval of Tarrant County Hospital District (TCHD) Policies and/or Plans
  - 1. 2026 Neonatal Quality and Performance Improvement (QAPI) Plan

**XII. RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

*The Board did not have business to discuss in Executive Session.*

**In addition to the matters posted for deliberation in executive (closed) session, the Committee may from time to time during the meeting reconvene in executive session to receive legal advice pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act regarding any matter included on this agenda.**

- A. **Serve as Medical Peer Review Committee and/or Medical Committee Pursuant to Chapter 160 Texas Occupations Code, Section 161.031 et Seq. Texas Health and Safety Code, and/or Receipt of Report(s) from Medical Staff Executive Committee or other Medical Staff Committees, Texas Occupations Code, Texas Health and Safety Code, and/or Medical Committees**
- B. **Deliberation Involving Individuals' Medical or Psychiatric Records Pursuant to Section 551.078, .0785, Texas Open Meetings Act.**
- C. **Deliberation Regarding the Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property Pursuant to Section 551.072, Texas Open Meetings Act.**
- D. **Deliberate Information Relating to a Proposed New Service or Product Lines.**
- E. **Consultation with General Counsel to Receive Legal Advice on Pending/Contemplated Litigation and Other Matters under Subsections 1 and 2, Section 551.071, Texas Open Meetings Act.**
- F. **Receive Records, Information and/or Reports from Compliance Officer Pursuant to Section 161.032(b)(2), Texas Health and Safety Code, Texas Open Meetings Act.**
- G. **Deliberation Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Act Regarding Appointments, Evaluations, Contracts and Compensation of District's Personnel, Vice Presidents and its Other Upper Level Management Staff.**
- H. **Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits Pursuant to Sections 551.076 and 551.089, Texas Open Meetings Act.**

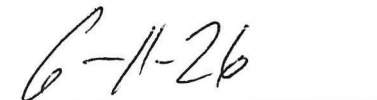
I. Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations Pursuant to Section 551.087, Texas Open Meetings Act.

XIII. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION FOR DELIBERATION(S) AND/OR ACTION(S) DEEMED NECESSARY REGARDING ANY MATTER LISTED ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA, PARAGRAPHS XII. A., B., C., D., E., F., G., H., and I.

XIV. ADJOURN

*There being no further business to discuss, the Board of Managers Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.*

  
Allan Rodger, Board Secretary

  
Date