

MINUTES
LOS MEDANOS COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING
Monday, March 29, 2010
6:30 p.m. – LMCHD Board Room

1. Call to Order

A Special Meeting of the Los Medanos Community Healthcare District was called to order by President Turner at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Darnell Turner, President
Marilyn Condit, Vice President
Eva Vera, Secretary
Jess Reyes, Treasurer
J. Vern Cromartie, Board Member

Absent: None

Also Present: Bobbi Palmer, Executive Director
Barbara Kee, Recording Secretary
Danielle Wildcress, Home Base
Cynthia Nagendra, Home Base
Jason Satterfield, Home Base

3. Consideration of Grants and Policy Committee Recommendations Regarding Award of Interim Grant Proposals – Action #100313

Cynthia Nagendra of Home Base discussed the Board's previous action to request Home Base to facilitate a process for extending interim grant funding to organizations with a previous funding relationship with LMCHD. Seven proposals were received by the deadline date, and following staff technical review, were sent to the Grants and Policy Committee for evaluation and recommendations.

Jason Satterfield discussed the Grants and Policy Committee review process and responded to questions by Board members. The grants were reviewed in three categories.

Category 1

This category includes Contra Costa/Solano Food Bank, Pittsburg Unified School District Adult Education, Stoneman Village I and II, Community Health Empowerment, STAND! Against Domestic Violence, and CPR FAST.

A motion was made by Director Condit, seconded by Director Turner, to consider grant funding for the six agencies as a group.

Director Cromartie proposed a friendly amendment to consider the proposals individually. The maker of the motion disagreed with this amendment; therefore, the motion stands unmodified.

Mr. Willie Mims, member of the public, agreed that the proposals should be considered individually.

The President called for a vote on the motion, as follow:

AYES: Directors: Condit, Vera, Turner, Cromartie
NOES: Directors: None
ABSENT: Directors: None
ABSTAIN: Directors: Reyes

APPROVED 4-0-1

Category 2 – John Muir Health

Director Reyes expressed his concern that he believes both members who serve on the Grants and Policy Committee have a conflict of interest.

Cynthia Nagendra of Home Base discussed the issue of conflict of interest. She explained that members of the committee may make recommendations on proposals, such as John Muir Health Alliance; however, they are prohibited from voting.

Jason Satterfield of Home Base responded to questions regarding the John Muir Health Alliance application.

Marion DuPuit of John Muir Health Alliance, addressed the Board, stating that what was originally submitted was a request to cover the period from the date of their contract in July 2009 through the end of the contract in July 2010. She subsequently received clarification that the grant funding was for three months; therefore, John Muir has modified their request to \$29,000.

A motion was made by Director Cromartie to approve the John Muir proposal for one year funding at \$90,000. The motion died for lack of a second.

Director Condit stated she would recuse herself from the vote on this matter.

A motion was made by Director Cromartie, seconded by Director Turner, to approve funding to John Muir Health Alliance in the amount of \$29,000. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Directors: Vera, Turner, Cromartie
NOES: Directors: Reyes
ABSENT: Directors: None
ABSTAIN: Directors: Condit

APPROVED 3-1-1

Category 3 (Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation and Contra Costa Health Services (New Kids))

Two proposals were received after the deadline: Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation and Contra Costa Health Services (New Kids). Each agency provided explanations for lateness and requested consideration for acceptance. The Grants and Review Committee has recommended that the proposals not be accepted, based on procedure.

Jason Satterfield of Home Base pointed out that two Board members have a conflict of interest concerning the New Kids proposal; therefore, they would not be able to vote on a final decision relative to this agency.

A motion was made by Director Cromartie, seconded by Director Reyes, that the Board consider individually proposals for New Kids and Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation.

President Turner pointed out the motion needs to address the issue of the timeline for reviewing the proposals.

Director Cromartie revised his motion to state that the Board review the Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation and New Kids applications at this time. Director Reyes seconded the motion.

Directors Condit and Vera stated they would recuse themselves from the vote on this matter.

The President called for a vote on the motion:

AYES: Directors: Cromartie, Reyes
NOES: Directors: Turner
ABSENT: Directors: None
ABSTAIN: Directors: Condit, Vera

APPROVED 2-1-2

Home Base staff recommended that the same screening process that was used to evaluate the previously accepted proposals be used in the review of the two additional proposals.

A motion was made by Director Cromartie, seconded by Director Reyes, to review and consider the Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation application.

AYES: Directors: Cromartie, Reyes
NOES: Directors: Condit, Vera, Turner
ABSENT: Directors: None
ABSTAIN: Directors: Condit, Vera

FAILED 2-3-0

A motion was made by Director Turner, seconded by Director Cromartie, to review and consider the Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation application at a future Board Meeting.

AYES: Directors: Vera, Turner, Cromartie
NOES: Directors: Condit, Reyes
ABSENT: Directors: None
ABSTAIN: Directors: None

APPROVED 3-2-0

Jason Satterfield of Home Base reviewed time options for reviewing and considering this application, and urged that the motion include a specific date.

A motion was made by Director Cromartie to consider the Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation application at the April 12, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting. The motion died for lack of a second.

A motion was made by Director Cromartie to consider the Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation application at a Special Board of Directors Meeting on another date. The motion died for lack of a second.

There was no Board consensus regarding a date to consider the merits of the Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation application, and it was therefore, removed for consideration.

There was no Board consensus regarding consideration of the Contra Costa Health Services New Kids Program proposal. Therefore, this application was removed for consideration.

Discussion Re: Process

Members of Home Base requested comments about the process used in facilitating the interim grants program. Individual Board members expressed views and suggestions regarding the process, which were noted by Home Base.

Eddie Hart of the Eddie Hart All-In-One Foundation urged the Board to consider extenuating circumstances regarding deadlines.

Mr. Mims urged that all Board members be allowed to express their views at meetings.

4. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Kee
Board Recording Secretary

Eva Vera
Board Secretary