

North Broward Hospital District Board of Commissioners  
1700 Northwest 49th Street, Suite #150, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING** **4:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 17, 2021**

The Board of Commissioners Regular Board Meeting of the North Broward Hospital District was held at 4:00 p.m., on November 17, 2021, at the Broward Health Corporate Spectrum Location, 1700 NW 49<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 150, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309.

### **1. NOTICE**

Notice and Agenda, titled EXHIBIT I and EXHIBIT II, are attached to the official meeting book archived at the Board of Commissioners' Office. Supporting documents, if applicable, are attached to these minutes, titled EXHIBIT III. Exhibits are presented for consideration of the Board.

### **2. CALL TO ORDER**

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chair Stacy L. Angier at 4:24 p.m.

### **3. ROLL CALL**

*Present:*

Commissioner Levi G. Williams, Jr.  
Commissioner Ray T. Berry  
Commissioner Nancy W. Stamper  
Commissioner Christopher J. Pernicano, Secretary/Treasurer  
Commissioner Marie C. Waugh, Vice Chair  
Commissioner Stacy L. Angier, Chair

*Not Present:*

Commissioner Jonathan K. Hage

*Senior Leadership*

*Additionally Present:*

Shane Strum, President, Chief Executive Officer  
Alan Goldsmith, EVP, Chief Operating Officer  
Alex Fernandez, SVP, Chief Financial Officer  
Linda Epstein, Corporate General Counsel

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## 4. **THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Williams.

## 5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chair Angier opened the floor for public comments, in which there were none.

## 6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Without objection, Chair Angier approved the minutes, dated October 27, 2021.

Motion *carried* without dissent.

## 7. **BHCS, Distinguished Physician Award to Gary Lai, DO (Presenter - Dr. Israel Penate, BHCS Chief of Medical Staff)**

Dr. Israel Penate, BHCS Chief of Medical Staff, presented Dr. Gary Lai with the Distinguished Physician Award.

Mr. Jared Smith, Broward Health Coral Springs' CEO, and several medical staff colleagues shared sentiments and stories of Dr. Lai being an outstanding Emergency Medicine Physician and individual.

Dr. Gary Lai expressed his gratitude for the support and recognition.

## 8. **MEDICAL STAFF CREDENTIALING (Presenter - Dr. Joshua Lenchus, Interim System Chief Medical Officer)**

- 8.1.) Broward Health North
- 8.2.) Broward Health Imperial Point
- 8.3.) Broward Health Coral Springs
- 8.4.) Broward Health Medical Center

**MOTION** It was *moved* by Commissioner Waugh *seconded* by Commissioner Pernicano that:

The Board of Commissioners of the North Broward Hospital District approve Medical Staff Credentialing Reports, as presented.

Motion confirmed by roll-call vote:

- YES** Commissioner Levi G. Williams, Jr.
- YES** Commissioner Ray T. Berry
- YES** Commissioner Nancy W. Stamper
- YES** Commissioner Christopher J. Pernicano, Secretary/Treasurer
- YES** Commissioner Marie C. Waugh, Vice Chair
- YES** Commissioner Stacy L. Angier, Chair

Motion *carried* 6/0.

## 9. CHIEF MEDICAL STAFF UPDATES

Medical staff updates were given by Dr. Lehr for Broward Health North, Dr. Jensen for Broward Health Imperial Point, Dr. Penate for Broward Health Coral Springs, and Dr. Kumar (via Teams) for Broward Health Medical Center. Said reports highlighted each of the facilities' objectives, events, and awards received over the past month.

- 9.1.) Broward Health North
- 9.2.) Broward Health Imperial Point
- 9.3.) Broward Health Coral Springs
- 9.4.) Broward Health Medical Center

## 10. PRESENTATIONS

- 10.1. CEO Update (Presenter - Shane Strum, President/Chief Executive Officer)

Mr. Strum introduced Dr. Elys M. Perez, Endocrinology, to the Board and shared a Type-2 Diabetes Prevention Education video.

Chair Angier presented CDTC Executive Director, Dr. Ana Calderon Randazzo, and Heather Woolf, VP Ambulatory Services, with the Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center (CDTC) Annual Great Pumpkin Trophy.

Mr. Strum presented his full monthly report, highlighting the organization's Five Pillars of Excellence (Quality, Service, People, Growth, and Finance), which included the progress at each of the facilities.

The following videos were featured:

- Broward Health on Channel 10 News
  - Patient's hip fracture experience featured, a common – but often overlooked – warning sign of advanced prostate cancer.  
Dr. Mehmet Hepgur, Hematologist-Oncologist, stated that undiagnosed prostate cancer can metastasize to the bone, which can cause severe bone damage. The goal is to diagnose prostate cancer before it's too late, as early detection allows the patient to receive the necessary surgery, radiation, or hormone therapy, often resulting in the patient being cured.
- Little acts of kindness can go a long way.
  - Video highlighted, Clarice Tanelus, a respiratory therapist at Broward Health Medical Center, who shared small acts of kindness by giving more than 100 personal gifts to her fellow colleagues over the past year.

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Mr. Strum shared that Alex Fernandez, Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer was named a 2021 CFO Award honoree by the South Florida Business Journal.

- Broward Health Imperial Point's (BHIP) new cardiovascular and interventional radiology suite:
  - BHIP recently unveiled the state-of-the-art suite during a ribbon-cutting ceremony where members of the medical team led tours throughout the center. The new suite is equipped to perform a variety of treatments, including cardiogenic shock, interventional oncology, kyphoplasty, thrombectomy therapy, and much more.

Mr. Strum shared employee thank you notes with the Board from the October 27, 2021 Board approved one-time appreciation bonus.

## 11. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Consent Agenda items 11.1. through 11.9.

11.1 Resolution FY22-11 Resolution Adopting an Unfunded Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan

11.2 457(f) Non-qualified Deferred Compensation Plan Adoption Agreement

11.3 Asset Allocation Review

11.3.1 Approve Asset Allocation Mix 1 for the Pension Fund

11.3.2 Approve Unchanging Asset Allocation Mix for the Unrestricted Fund

11.4 Approval of the Interim Financial Statement for the month of October 2021

11.5 Resolution FY22-12 Inducement Resolution for Reimbursement of Expenditures for Capital Improvements, with the Caveat that includes an 18-month sunset provision, as permitted by law

11.6 BHMC, Approval to Enter into New Cost Per Test Agreement with bioMerieux for Blood Culture Identification (ID) and Antibiotic Susceptibility Test (AST)

11.7 Approval to authorize the District to execute a settlement agreement and release Gene Reibman, Esq., Bruce Lyons, Esq., and former Commissioner Rocky Rodriguez, and approve payment in the amount of \$25, 000 to Gene Reibman, Esq., for appellate fees and costs incurred in the State of Florida v. Rocky Rodriguez, Case No. 19-23 AC10, in the appellate division of the circuit court of the 17<sup>th</sup> judicial circuit in and for Broward County Florida

11.8 Resolution FY22-08: Resolution Governing the Disposition of Surplus Personal Property of the District

11.9 Resolution FY22-09: Resolution Authorizing Credit Enhancement Devices

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Commissioner Williams requested that items 11.1, 11.5, 11.8, and 11.9 be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Discussion Agenda, in which Chair Angier agreed.

**MOTION** was *amended* by Commissioner Stamper, *seconded* by Commissioner Berry that:

The Board of Commissioners of the North Broward Hospital District approve items 11.2, 11.3, 11.4, 11.6 and 11.7 on the Consent Agenda.

Motion confirmed by roll-call vote:

**YES** Commissioner Levi G. Williams, Jr.  
**YES** Commissioner Ray T. Berry  
**YES** Commissioner Nancy W. Stamper  
**YES** Commissioner Christopher J. Pernicano, Secretary/Treasurer  
**YES** Commissioner Marie C. Waugh, Vice Chair  
**YES** Commissioner Stacy L. Angier, Chair

Motion *carried* 6/0.

Approval of items 11.1, 11.5, 11.8 and 11.9.

**MOTION** It was *moved* by Commissioner Williams *seconded* by Commissioner Berry that:

The Board of Commissioners of the North Broward Hospital District approve the following remaining Resolution items:

11.1 Resolution FY22-11: Resolution Adopting an Unfunded Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan

11.5 Resolution FY22-12: Inducement Resolution for Reimbursement of Expenditures for Capital Improvements, with the Caveat that includes an 18-month sunset provision, as permitted by law

11.8 Resolution FY22-08: Resolution Governing the Disposition of Surplus Personal Property of the District

11.9 Resolution FY22-09: Resolution Authorizing Credit Enhancement Devices

Discussion re-ensued, regarding the use of Resolutions. Chair Angier suggested that the Legal department develop a plan to address concerns and report back to the Board.

Motion confirmed by roll-call vote:

**NO** Commissioner Levi G. Williams, Jr.  
**YES** Commissioner Ray T. Berry  
**YES** Commissioner Nancy W. Stamper  
**YES** Commissioner Christopher J. Pernicano, Secretary/Treasurer

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YES Commissioner Marie C. Waugh, Vice Chair

YES Commissioner Stacy L. Angier, Chair

Motion *carried* 5/1.

## 12. DISCUSSION AGENDA

### 12.1. IT Discussion (Presenter – Ray T. Berry, Commissioner)

Commissioner Berry shared his concerns in particular with Broward Health's Electronic Medical Record (EMR) current platform.

It was agreed that Mr. Strum and Commissioner Pernicano expedite a series of workshops to include stakeholder input (Board, Staff, Physicians and their Supporting Staff) to develop an (EMR) scoring matrix to determine which EMR platform would be the best fit for Broward Health.

### 12.2. Request to hold an Attorney Client Shade Session (Presenter – Linda Epstein, General Counsel)

Ms. Linda Epstein, General Counsel, requested an Attorney-Client Shade Session pursuant to Section 286.011(8)(d), Florida Statutes, to seek the Board's advice regarding settlement negotiations and strategy related to expenditures in the pending litigation to which the North Broward Hospital District is a party in the three (3) following cases:

- Case No. CACE-20-002538, David DiPietro vs. North Broward Hospital District;
- Case No. CACE-21-016997, Rocky Rodriguez and Bruce Lyons, Esq. v. North Broward Hospital District; and
- Case No. CACE-21-014334, Colson Hicks Eidson, P.A. v. North Broward Hospital District

Ms. Epstein noted that the aforementioned cases are currently pending in the Circuit Court of the 17<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida. She also noted that the requested Attorney-Client Shade Session will be held following the commencement of a future open meeting.

## 13. COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

Closing comments were given by the Commissioners.

## 14. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The next regularly scheduled Board of Commissioner's Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. at the Broward Health Corporate Spectrum location, 1700 Northwest 49<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 150, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309.

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## 15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Commissioner Christopher J. Pernicano, Secretary/Treasurer

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