



# MINUTES

## SOUTHERN NEVADA DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

November 16, 2023 – 11:00 a.m.

Meeting was conducted In-person and via Webex Webinar

Southern Nevada Health District, 280 S. Decatur Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89107  
Red Rock Trail Rooms A and B

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Marilyn Kirkpatrick, Chair – Commissioner, Clark County (*in-person*)  
Scott Nielson, Vice-Chair – At-Large Member, Gaming (*via WebEx*)  
Frank Nemeec, Secretary – At-Large Member, Physician (*via WebEx*)  
Scott Black – Mayor Pro Tempore, City of North Las Vegas (*in-person*)  
Bobbette Bond – At-Large Member, Regulated Business/Industry (*in-person*)  
Nancy Brune – Council Member, City of Las Vegas (*Call-in User 3*)  
Pattie Gallo – Council Member, City of Mesquite (*via WebEx*)  
Joseph Hardy – Council Member, City of Boulder City (*in-person*)  
Brian Knudsen – Mayor Pro Tempore, City of Las Vegas (*in-person*)  
Jim Seebock – Council Member, City of Henderson (*in-person*)  
Tick Segerblom – Commissioner, Clark County (*in-person*)
- ABSENT:** N/A
- ALSO PRESENT:** Areli Alarcon, Linda Anderson, Kiran Gill, Maya Holmes, Cody Hoskins, Jason Klumb, Rachel Ormsby, Stacie Sasso, Susan Waschewski  
(In Audience)
- LEGAL COUNSEL:** Heather Anderson-Fintak, General Counsel
- EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:** Fermin Leguen, MD, MPH, District Health Officer
- STAFF:** Adriana Alvarez, Jonna Arqueros, Jacqueline Ayala, Tawana Bellamy, Haley Blake, Murphy Boudreaux, Cory Burgess, Dan Burns, Victoria Burris, Donna Buss, Andria Cordovez Mulet, Shea Crippen, Aaron DelCotto, Jason Frame, Monica Galaviz, Joe Ginty, Jacques Graham, Heather Hanoff, Maria Harris, Richard Hazeltine, Carmen Hua, Dan Isler, Jessica Johnson, Stacy Johnson, Theresa Ladd, Josie Llorico, Cassius Lockett, Randy Lockett, Sandy Lockett, Julie Maldonado, Jonas Maratita, Rosanna Minnich, Kimberly Monahan, Semilla Neal, Todd Nicolson, Kyle Parkson, Luann Province, Yin Jie Qin, Larry Rogers, Alexis Romero, Kim Saner, Chris Saxton, Karla Shoup, Randy Smith, Daniele Staple, Rosanne Sugay, Will Thompson, Amy Tran, Michelle Veron, Jorge Viote, Scott Wagner, Donnie Whitaker, Teresa Wilcox, Michael Wright

### I. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

The Chair called the Southern Nevada District Board of Health Meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. Andria Cordovez Mulet, Executive Assistant, administered the roll call and confirmed quorum. Ms. Cordovez Mulet provided clear and complete instructions for members of the general public to call in to the meeting to provide public comment, including a telephone number and access code.

### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- III. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT:** A period devoted to comments by the general public about those items appearing on the agenda. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. Please clearly state your name and address and spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this may be done by the Chair or the Board by majority vote.

Seeing no one, the Chair closed the First Public Comment period.

**IV. ADOPTION OF THE NOVEMBER 16, 2023 MEETING AGENDA** *(for possible action)*

*A motion was made by Member Black, seconded by Member Knudsen, and carried unanimously to approve the November 16, 2023 Agenda, as presented.*

- V. CONSENT AGENDA:** Items for action to be considered by the Southern Nevada District Board of Health which may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per Board Member request before action. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

- 1. APPROVE MINUTES/BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING:** October 26, 2023 *(for possible action)*
- 2. PETITION #16-24: Approval of the Interlocal Agreement between Clark County, Nevada on behalf of the Department of Family Services and the Southern Nevada Health District for services provided to the Thrive by Zero to Three Prevention Services Program for the period from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024;** direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary *(for possible action)*
- 3. PETITION #17-24: Approve the amendment to the Interlocal Agreement among Clark County, Clark County Water Reclamation District, University Medical Center of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, Las Vegas Valley Water District, Clark County Regional Flood Control District, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, Southern Nevada Health District, Henderson District Public Libraries, Mount Charleston Fire Protection District, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Moapa Valley Fire Protection District and Eighth Judicial District Court establishing the rates for the Self-Funded Group Medical and Dental Benefits Plans, effective January 1, 2024;** direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary *(for possible action)*

*A motion was made by Member Hardy, seconded by Member Knudsen, and carried unanimously to approve the November 16, 2023 Consent Agenda, as presented.*

- VI. PUBLIC HEARING / ACTION:** Members of the public are allowed to speak on Public Hearing / Action items after the Board's discussion and prior to their vote. Each speaker will be given five (5) minutes to address the Board on the pending topic. No person may yield his or her time to another person. In those situations where large groups of people desire to address the Board on the same matter, the Chair may request that those groups select only one or two speakers from the group to address the Board on behalf of the group. Once the public hearing is closed, no additional public comment will be accepted.

There were no items heard.

## VII. REPORT / DISCUSSION / ACTION

1. **Review, Discuss, and Accept the Recommendations from the November 15, 2023 Finance Committee meeting regarding the Annual Comprehensive Financial Audit Report from FORVIS LLP;** direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary (*for possible action*)
2. **Receive, Discuss and Accept the Recommendations from the November 15, 2023 Finance Committee meeting regarding the Single Audit Report from FORVIS LLP;** direct staff accordingly or take action as deemed necessary (*for possible action*)

Rachel Ormsby, Audit Partner, of FORVIS LLP attended the meeting to present the Independent Auditor's Report and the Single Audit Report.

*Member Nemecek joined the meeting at 11:07 a.m.  
Member Segerblom joined the meeting at 11:08 a.m.*

Ms. Ormsby advised that they issued an unmodified audit opinion, with no findings. Ms. Ormsby outlined that the following six major federal programs were audited:

- 21.027 – COVID-19 – Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
- 93.069 – Public Health Emergency Preparedness
- 93.136 – Injury Prevention and Control Research and State and Community Based Programs
- 93.268 – Immunization Cooperative Agreements
- 93.323 – COVID-19 Epidemiology and & Lab Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC)
- 93.977 – Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) Prevention and Control Grants

Ms. Ormsby further outlined the required communications related to accounting policies, GASB 96 and accounting treatments, and noted that there were no issues. Ms. Ormsby reviewed the three prior year findings and advised that all findings had been resolved.

Chair Nielson, on behalf of the Committee, expressed his thanks to Ms. Whitaker and her team for their hard work and dedication.

*A motion was made by Chair Kirkpatrick, seconded by Member Black, and carried unanimously to accept the recommendations from the Finance Committee to accept the two agenda items of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Audit Report and the Single Audit Report, as presented.*

- ## VIII. BOARD REPORTS:
- The Southern Nevada District Board of Health members may identify and comment on Health District related issues. Comments made by individual Board members during this portion of the agenda will not be acted upon by the Southern Nevada District Board of Health unless that subject is on the agenda and scheduled for action. **(Information Only)**

Member Knudsen requested a briefing on cybersecurity. Dr. Leguen advised that staff would bring a presentation at a future Board of Health meeting.

Chair Kirkpatrick requested a presentation on freestanding hospitals, urgent cares, regular hospitals, etc. to assist the Board members to educate their constituents on the differences. Further, there was also a request for a presentation on the EMS & transport systems, which includes where transports are going, transport protocols, and an update on Mike O'Callaghan Military Medical Center at Nellis Air Force Base as the newest trauma center.

**IX. HEALTH OFFICER & STAFF REPORTS (*Information Only*)**

- DHO Comments

In addition to his written report, Dr. Leguen advised that Dr. Cassius Lockett had been selected as the Deputy District Health Officer for Operations, effective November 20, 2023. Dr. Leguen outlined the structure of the two Deputy District Health Officers and their respective departments/programs.

*Member Brune joined the meeting at 11:23 a.m.*

Dr. Leguen recognized the Finance Department for their work on the recent audit. Dr. Leguen recalled the previous audit that was completed during a time of multiple vacancies in the department, including leadership role. Dr. Leguen advised that the Finance Department was fully staffed.

**X. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

1. Administration Division Monthly Activity Report
2. Community Health Division Monthly Activity Report
3. Community Health Center (FQHC) Division Monthly Report
4. Disease Surveillance and Control Division Monthly Activity Report
5. Environmental Health Division Monthly Activity Report
6. Primary & Preventive Care Division Monthly Activity Report

- XI. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT:** A period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments, about matters relevant to the Board's jurisdiction will be held. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this may be done by the Chair or the Board by majority vote.

Seeing no one, the Chair closed the Second Public Comment portion.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

Fermin Leguen, MD, MPH  
District Health Officer/Executive Secretary

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