

**PETALUMA HEALTH FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2022 REGULAR MEETING**

Please note that copies of all pertinent materials considered by the Board in Open Session are included in the final Board Packet. Agenda items may be taken out of order and will be so indicated in the minutes.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors of the Petaluma Health Foundation met via Zoom on Wednesday, February 16, 2022.

Director Hempel called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. and read the Petaluma Health Foundation’s mission into the record.

Mission: To support the health of the greater Petaluma community, adhering to the strategic priorities defined by the Petaluma Health Care District.

a. ROLL CALL

California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-21 on September 20, 2021, relating to the convening of public meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic. Pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order, Board members will attend the meeting via Zoom teleconference.

Director Hempel called the roll. The following Board members were present via Zoom, constituting a quorum:

Directors Ambrosi, Dufour, Hempel, Nelson

The following were absent:

Director Tobias

Also present via Zoom:

Staff:

Ramona Faith, CEO

Tucker Pinochi, Board Clerk

Andrew Koblick, Controller

Benjamin Spierings, Community Health Program Manager

Guests:

Donald Bouey, Esq., District Counsel

Oscar Chavez, Asst. Director of Sonoma County Human Services Dept.

b. CALL FOR CONFLICT

Director Hempel called for conflict. There were none.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

a. APPROVAL OF February 16, 2022 Petaluma Health Foundation agenda

Director Nelson made a motion, seconded by Director Dufour, to approve the agenda.

Vote: Ambrosi: Y Dufour: Y Hempel: Y Nelson: Y Tobias: abs. The motion was approved 4-0, with Director Tobias absent.

3. PETALUMA HEALTH FOUNDATION APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

CEO Ramona Faith recommended the following slate of officers for the Petaluma Health Foundation Board of Directors: Director Hempel as President, Director Dufour as Treasurer/Vice President, and Director Ambrosi as Secretary.

Director Nelson made a motion, seconded by Director Dufour, to approve slate as presented.

Vote: Ambrosi: Y Dufour: Y Hempel: Y Nelson: Y Tobias: abs. The motion was approved 4-0, with Director Tobias absent.

4. RES. #1-22: AUTHORIZING TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS

b. AB 361 Periodic Findings Requirement

Director Ambrosi made a motion, seconded by Director Nelson, to approve Res. #1-22.

Vote: Ambrosi: Y Dufour: Y Hempel: Y Nelson: Y Tobias: abs. The motion was approved 4-0, with Director Tobias absent.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

6. COMMUNITY GIVING: PORTRAIT OF SONOMA PRESENTATION

Assistant Director of Sonoma County Human Services, Oscar Chavez joined the meeting at 5:15 pm.

Director Hempel made an introductory note that as a new Foundation Board, the Directors must understand data like the Portrait of Sonoma to better address community needs and fill service gaps. She said that this is how the Board can make informed decisions about where to invest Foundation dollars. She added, before introducing Mr. Chavez, that the Board should be aware of the way COVID has altered or expanded these service gaps.

After being welcomed by Director Hempel, Mr. Chavez presented the results of the 2021 Portrait of Sonoma report to the Board. The survey found large variation in well-being between different racial and ethnics groups, and between men and women. Men, due to their higher incomes across the board, score higher than women on the HDI (Human Development Index). When gender and ethnicity are examined at the same time, the income gap between groups is larger.

Mr. Chavez relayed Director Hempel and Ms. Faith's observation that there were fewer indicators relating to elderly residents than in past reports.

Director Ambrosi asked whether there were policy options at the state or county level to ameliorate the disparities associated with tying school funding to property values. Mr. responded that there are initiatives in place to address the problem, but that to do so holistically would require broader structural changes.

Noting that poverty in Rohnert Park seems to have shifted geographically, Director Hempel asked what changes have taken place there. Mr. replied that an increase in more expensive housing in Sonoma County has contributed to shifts within lower cost markets like Rohnert Park.

Director Hempel raised the case of McDowell school district, where multiple community support programs were enacted prior to gentrification. She highlighted that the provision of services to the community must be geographically flexible, otherwise it is vulnerable to this type of shift. Mr. Chavez concurred, and mentioned that the County is formulating plans for satellite locations for County services.

Ms. Faith reported that staff has pulled together the data pertinent to the District's jurisdiction to demonstrate the differences between 2014's survey data and 2021's survey data. Community Health Program Manager Benjamin Spierings presented that data, organized by census tract.

Director Hempel reminded the Board that since this data was gathered, some changes have taken place in Petaluma. McKinley school gained higher income students after becoming a GATE school, but the neighborhood around it remains lower income by comparison. Mr. Chavez assured Director Hempel that such nuances would be reflected in the report, as tract-by-tract reporting of results is required to apply for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Both Mr. Chavez and Director Hempel emphasized the utility of results-based accountability models for County and Foundation programs.

7. PETALUMA HEALTH FOUNDATION BYLAWS AMENDMENT

a. Review and Approve Amended Bylaws

District Counsel presented draft changes to be made to the Petaluma Health Foundation Bylaws and answered any questions the Directors may have had. Director Hempel asked for a motion to approve the draft changes to the Foundation's bylaws.

Director Ambrosi made a motion, seconded by Director Dufour, to approve the draft changes to the Petaluma Health Foundation Bylaws.

Vote: Ambrosi: Y Dufour: Y Hempel: Y Nelson: Y Tobias: abs. The motion was approved 4-0, with Director Tobias absent.

Following the vote, Ms. Faith informed the Board that the original articles of incorporation of the corporation had been filed in the office of the California Secretary of State on June 3, 2020, and that they named Ramona Lynn Faith as initial agent for service of process. She further informed the Board that they would need to vote on the articles of incorporation during the Foundation's regular March Board of Directors meeting.

b. Petaluma Health Foundation Mission and Vision

Ms. Faith told the members of the Board that they would need to return to this topic later in the year to discuss potential revisions or additions to the Foundation's Mission and Vision. Director Hempel reminded the other Directors that the draft need not be very specific. The Directors and Ms. Faith agree that the item can be tabled for now.

8. PLUS / DELTA

None.

9. PETALUMA HEALTH FOUNDATION BYLAWS AMENDMENT

Director Hempel adjourned the meeting at 5:54 pm.

Contact tpinochi@phcd.org for more information.

Submitted by Gabriella Ambrosi, Board Secretary
Recorded by Tucker Pinochi, Board Clerk