

THE HEFFERNAN MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE DISTRICT MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 14th OF APRIL 2021 AT 608 HEBER AVE. CALEXICO, CA. CITY OF CALEXICO ON THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED OR THE HOLDING OF SAID MEETING.

TO CALL ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:30p.m. by Gloria Grijalva Valdez and led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL-DETERMINATION OF QUARUM:

Chairperson	Gloria Grijalva
Chief Financial	Rodolfo Valdez
Secretary	Raul R. Urena
Trustee	Hector Martinez

GUESTS:

Tomas Virgen-Executive District Manager
Tony Pimentel-Public Relations

PRESENT VIA CONFERENCE:

Eduardo Rivera-Attorney
Brenda Ryan-Board Clerk

ABSENT:

Norma M. Apodaca-Vice Chairperson

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez second by Board Member Valdez to approve the agenda for April 14, 2021. Motion passed by the following vote wit:

AYES: Grijalva, Valdez, Urena, Martinez

NOES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME:

Sara the acting director the Imperial County Area Aging she has two comments. It came to her attention today the Rosa's Plane food is still using the Imperial County Area Aging name and phone number in the notice client absences. Those are notices that they place on participant doors when they are not home when they deliver food. She feels it is important to bring to this board attention to be aware of this fact. When they were aware of Rosa Plane Food using their agency name and their agency information and providing false information about their agency in their RFP for the Heffernan Healthy Meals program they did not bring it to the board attention because they wanted to see the seniors of Calexico continue to receive meals and believe that the Heffernan Healthy Meals is highly needed for the citizens of Calexico but however it appears that Rosa is still using their agency name. There needs to be a clear distinction

between the two meal programs. A liability is being placed on their agency when another entity is portraying to be part of their agency and they are not. They cannot allow this to continue. She is here today to ask the board who holds the contract with Rosa's Plane Food to advise her to stop using the Imperial County Area Agency Aging name and phone number. She passed out the forms to the board with the information for the board to review.

REPORTS ON MEETING AND EVENTS ATTENDED BY DIRECTORS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DIRECTOR ATTENDANCE AT UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/DIRECTORS COMMENTS

None

REPORTS BY ALL HMHD COMMITTEES

None

COMMENTS BY TONY PIMENTEL

Mr. Pimentel reported the COVID testing is still being done at the One Stop Center thru 7am-7pm.

COMMENTS BY EXECUTIVE DISTRICT MANAGER:

None

COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL:

None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and/or Action: Scheduling special meeting on establishing a Heffernan Memorial Urgent Care clinic. Proposed date May 1, 2021.

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Valdez to approve the special meeting for May 1, 2021. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Grijalva, Valdez, Urena, Martinez

NOES: None

2. Discussion and/or Action: Status on Covid-19 ad hoc committee.

Mr. Virgen reported that at this point testing is very available and vaccines are becoming available and in reality the big thing right now it's that COVID is the big economic recovery and thinks that is beyond our grasp and that is more of a city issue. At this point he recommends that we do not take this on and let it pass. There is not much we can do and we just continue what we are doing with our PPE's and giving information and supporting all COVID programs that is good for now. We are in a phase where we are doing much better.

3. Discussion and/or Action: Status Report on 400 Mary Modernizations.

Mr. Virgen contacted Sanders Inc. and requested a formal report and will have it for the next meeting.

4. Discussion and/or Action: Heffernan Memorial scholarships. Establishment of criteria for qualification, grade point average, health related course of study and institution of study. (20 scholarships at \$1000.00 per scholarship)

Board Member Martinez reported that him and Mrs. Apodaca met and decided that last year he believes we had set the GPA for 3.3 and this year they set it to 3.0 as a recommendation. Initially he was a little iffy about it because he wanted to keep it at 3.3 but given the circumstances this with the online learning and everything it could of dropped a couple of points. Obviously it is just one year and it does not drop significantly. They decided on keeping 15 scholarships for the High School and the other 5 or less for the IVC students. We would just need to find out who from the IVC program is from Calexico and if so, they qualify and how much are we going to give them. That is something that we need to find out first. Another thing aside from the other requirements they would like to incorporate a zoom meeting to get to know the students a little more.

Motion was made by Board Member Valdez and second by Board Member Urena to approve the recommendations by the scholarship committee on 3.0 GPA, 15 for the High School and 5 or less for IVC. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Grijalva, Valdez, Urena, Martinez
NOES: None

5. Discussion and Review of Heffernan Memorial's 2021-2022 Revised Strategic Plan.

Mr. Virgen reviewed the changes of the revised Strategic Plan with the board.

6. Discussion and/or Action: Amendment of Rosa's Plane Food meals program grant for additional eligible and vetted senior residents of the Heffernan Memorial Healthcare District.

Motion was made by Board Member Valdez and second by Board Member Martinez to approve the amendment of Rosa's Plane Good meals program grant for additional eligible and vetted senior residents of the Heffernan Memorial Healthcare District to 30 more. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Grijalva, Valdez, Urena, Martinez
NOES: None

7. Discussion and/or Action: Performance review of County of Imperial's AAA's meals grant program's service and quality of meals.

Mr. Virgen reported that he have a meeting with AAA because we have been getting a couple of complaints. We discussed the issue of the quality that is an issue because we have been seeing a lot of meals and took pictures of the meals because we thought they were not up to quality. At the end of the day even if it's a gift it would nice that they do enjoy the meal. That is one of the main concerns. The second issue was the possibility of a 30 day notice.

Mr. Rivera also informed the board that is not only the performance but also the quality of the meals that has been the subject of complaints.

Sara the representative from AAA informed that they do not take any complaints lightly. Back in September we did get a same complaint and we immediately called 47 recipients and told them

on a scale of 1-10 they provided a letter to the board with their findings and on a scale of 1-10 they only received 3 that scored at lower than 8. Anytime they have a complaint they look at it immediately and try to find a solution. Now they were just aware of this on Tuesday. They do agree that there is one menu item that we are going to ask to be removed because they have received many complaints from other seniors outside of Heffernan. That just goes to show that as soon as they get a complaint they address it and is going to find a solution.

- a. Discussion and/or Action: Possible issuance of 30 day notice of termination of grant agreement with the County of Imperial/AAA meals program.

Mr. Virgen recommended the board to have AAA to contact Mr. Rivera go over the issues because he thinks we have conflicting emails and the best way to do it and work it out is to have Mr. Rivera have a conversation because some of the changes requested on the contract did not come back on the agreement and fix the agreement and bring back to sign. The board agreed with Mr. Virgen's recommendation.

No action was taken on this item.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:

Report on 400 Mary

Rosa's Plane Food

Proposed agenda for special meeting May 1st

ADJOURNMENT:

With no future business to discuss Board Member Valdez made motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m. Second by Board Member Martinez. All in favor.