

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

KERN COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Kern Medical Center 1700 Mount Vernon Avenue Conference Room 1058 Bakersfield, California 93306

Regular Meeting Wednesday, April 17, 2024

11:30 A.M.

BOARD RECONVENED

Board Members: Berjis, Martinez, McLaughlin, Neal, Pelz, Pollard Roll Call: 4 Present: 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

NOTE: The vote is displayed in bold below each item. For example, Berjis-Pelz denotes Director Berjis made the motion and Director Pelz seconded the motion.

CONSENT AGENDA/OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: ALL ITEMS LISTED WITH A "CA" OR "C" WERE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND APPROVED BY ONE MOTION.

BOARD ACTION SHOWN IN CAPS

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Board on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Board. Board members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification, make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Board at a later meeting. In addition, the Board may take action to direct the staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE AND SPELL YOUR NAME BEFORE MAKING YOUR PRESENTATION. THANK YOU!

BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

2) On their own initiative, Board members may make an announcement or a report on their own activities. They may ask a question for clarification, make a referral to staff or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda (Government Code section 54954.2(a)(2)) –

DIRECTOR BERJIS REPORTED ON THE UPCOMING 5TH ANNUAL SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REGIONAL RESEARCH FORUM ON MAY 23, 2024 AND RECOGNITION DINNER FOR GRADUATING RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS ON JUNE 6, 2024; DIRECTOR BERJIS ANNOUNCED KERN MEDICAL CENTER ACGME ACCREDITATION FOR THE SURGERY RESIDENCY AND THE ADDICTION MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP AND THANKED DR. AMBER JONES AND DR. SARAH GONZALEZ FOR THE LEADERSHIP ROLES

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

CA

3) Minutes for the Kern County Hospital Authority Board of Governors regular meeting on March 20, 2024 –

APPROVED

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

4) Proposed acceptance of donation of travel and related expenses from Safety National and PRISM for one Kern Medical Center employee to attend the RIMS "RISKWORLD 2024" conference in San Diego, California, from May 4-8, 2024 –

APPROVED; ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2024-011

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

Proposed Amendment No. 6 to Agreement 21320 with American Incorporated doing business as MD Concrete Cutting & Demolition, an independent contractor, for mechanical systems maintenance and repair for the period December 2, 2019 through December 1, 2025, increasing the maximum payable by \$500,000, from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000, to cover the term –

APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 054-2024 Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

Proposed Amendment No. 2 to Agreement 034-2022 with Antony Minasaghanian, M.D., a contract employee, for professional medical services in the Department of Radiology for the period June 8, 2022 through June 7, 2027, increasing rates for additional weekday, weekend and holiday coverage, extending the increase in base salary of \$75,000 for an additional period of one year, and increasing the maximum payable by \$125,000, from \$4,125,000 to \$4,250,000, to cover the term —

APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 055-2024

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

7) Proposed Service Agreement with Alpha Source, Inc., an independent contractor, containing nonstandard terms and conditions, for preventative maintenance, service and support for DEXA scan equipment for a term of five years from April 17, 2024 through April 16, 2029, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 –

APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 056-2024

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

Proposed Amendment No. 2 to Agreement 48822 with Heredia Cabling Solutions, Inc. an independent contractor, for installation of low voltage cabling, increasing the maximum payable by \$500,000, from \$700,000 to \$1,200,000, to cover the term —

APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 057-2024

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

Proposed Amendment No. 4 to Agreement 10919 with Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP, an independent contractor, for fire protection system maintenance for the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2024, increasing the maximum payable by \$750,000, from \$1,250,000 to \$2,000,000, to cover the term –

APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 058-2024

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

10) Proposed Agreement with GE Precision Healthcare LLC, a GE Healthcare business, an independent contractor, for maintenance, service and support for radiology equipment, for a term of five years from April 17, 2024 through April 16, 2029, in an amount not to exceed \$1,739,220 –

APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 059-2024

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

11) Proposed Service Agreement with Inovalon Provider, Inc., an independent contractor, containing nonstandard terms and conditions, for Medicare claims management services from May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$35,063 – APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 060-2024 Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

12) Proposed acceptance of donation of travel and related expenses from the American Association of Healthcare Administrative Management (AAHAM) for one Kern Medical Center employee to attend the AAHAM Spring Conference in Madison, Wisconsin, on May 17, 2024

APPROVED; ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2024-012 **Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard**

CA

13) Proposed Pro Testing Services Supplement Agreement to Master Agreement 496-2016 with Ultimate Kronos Group, an independent contractor, for software testing services for the Human Resources Information System from April 17, 2024 through November 13, 2024, increasing the maximum payable by \$15,000, from \$1,379,108 to \$1,394,108, to cover the term – APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 061-2024

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

Proposed Third Amendment to the RightSourcing Supplier Managed Services Client Terms and Conditions 034-2019 with RightSourcing, LLC, an independent contractor, for temporary staffing services for the period May 29, 2019 through May 28, 2024, extending the term for a period of five years from May 29, 2024 through May 28, 2029, and increasing the maximum payable by \$124,811,637, from \$153,224,407 to \$278,033,044, to cover the extended term – APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 062-2024

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

15) Proposed Agreement to Purchase with Drager Inc., an independent contractor, containing nonstandard terms and conditions, for a one-time purchase of a jaundice meter, in an amount not to exceed \$6,501 –

APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 063-2024

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

Proposed acceptance of donation of travel and related expenses from Garden Pathways for one Kern Medical Center employee to attend the National Community Violence Intervention Conference, in Los Angeles, California, from June 24-25, 2024 – APPROVED; ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2024-013

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

Proposed reappointment of Director Cynthia Pollard to the Kern County Hospital Authority Board of Governors, term to expire June 30, 2027 – REFERRED TO KERN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO MAKE APPOINTMENT Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

Proposed Value Rental Agreement with UBEO West LLC, an independent contractor, containing nonstandard terms and conditions, for lease and maintenance of printer and photocopy equipment from May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$1,626,606 –

APPROVED; ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2024-014; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 064-2024; AUTHORIZED CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO APPROVE CHANGES IN EQUIPMENT NOT TO EXCEED 10% OF THE MAXIMUM PAYABLE AND UPON APPROVAL AS TO FORM BY COUNSEL

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

19) Proposed Hospital Services Agreement with Total Renal Care, Inc., a subsidiary of DaVita Inc., an independent contractor, for the provision of acute dialysis services from May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$3,750,000 –

APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 065-2024

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

20) Proposed retroactive Resolution in the matter of revising the extension of excess medical professional liability coverage for Kern Medical Center employed and independent contractor physicians, effective May 18, 2020 –

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SCOTT THYGERSON HEARD REGARDING THE RETROACTIVITY OF ITEM 20 AND THE RATIONALE FOR EXTENDING COVERAGE AND ADDING ADDITIONAL OFF-SITE LOCATIONS; APPROVED; ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2024-015

Pelz-Berjis: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

- 21) Proposed retroactive Enhanced Care Management / Community Supports Provider Agreement with Medicaid Division of Blue Cross of California doing business as Anthem Blue Cross and Affiliates, an independent contractor, containing nonstandard terms and conditions, for recuperative care services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries enrolled in Anthem's Medi-Cal managed care program for an initial term of one year from April 5, 2024 through April 4, 2025 (Rates Confidential per Health and Safety Code section 101855(f)) -CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER ANDREW CANTU HEARD REGARDING THE NONSTANDARD TERMS AND CONDITION; CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SCOTT THYGERSON HEARD REGARDING THE RETROACTIVITY OF ITEM 21: APPROVED: AUTHORIZED CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SIGN AGREEMENT 066-2024 Pelz-Berjis: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard
- 22) Report on referral to staff from March 20, 2024 to address retroactive contracts and develop a process to minimize the placement of such items on future agenda CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER ANDREW CANTU HEARD REGARDING NEW CONTRACT MANAGEMENT PROCESSES TO MINIMIZE THE NUMBER OF RETROACTIVE CONTRACTS; CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SCOTT THYGERSON AND DIRECTORS MCLAUGHLIN, BERJIS AND MARTINEZ HEARD; RECEIVED AND FILED Martinez-Pelz: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent Neal, Pollard
- 23) Kern County Hospital Authority Chief Financial Officer report –
 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER ANDREW CANTU HEARD; DIRECTOR MARTINEZ HEARD
 REGARDING MANAGED CARE ASSIGNED LIVES AND THE IMPACT ON FINANCIALS;
 RECEIVED AND FILED
 Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent Neal, Pollard
- 24) Kern County Hospital Authority Chief Executive Officer report –
 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SCOTT THYGERSON HEARD; DIRECTOR BERJIS
 THANKED STAFF FOR SUPPORT IN EXPANDING GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION
 PROGRAMS; DIRECTOR MARTINEZ HEARD IN SUPPORT OF THE ADDICTION
 MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP; RECEIVED AND FILED
 Berjis-Pelz: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent Neal, Pollard

CA
25) Monthly report on What's Happening at Kern Medical Center –
RECEIVED AND FILED
Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA
26) Claims and Lawsuits Filed as of March 31, 2024 –
RECEIVED AND FILED
Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

CA

27) Miscellaneous Correspondence Received as of March 31, 2024 RECEIVED AND FILED

Berjis-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

ADJOURNED AS KERN COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD OF GOVERNERS; RECONVENED AS KERN MEDICAL SURGERY CENTER, LLC BOARD OF MANAGERS Martinez-Berjis: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

C-28) Kern Medical Surgery Center, LLC, Administrative Report – RECEIVED AND FILED

Pelz-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

C-29) Proposed retroactive 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan for Kern Medical Surgery Center, LLC employees –

APPROVED; AUTHORIZED CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SIGN AGREEMENT 067-2024; DIRECTED KERN COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY HUMAN RESOURCES STAFF TO IMPLEMENT

Pelz-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

C-30) Proposed credentialing recommendations – APPROVED

Pelz-Martinez: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

31) Report on referral to staff from February 21, 2024 regarding the finances of Kern Medical Surgery Center, LLC and its financial impact on Kern County Hospital Authority – CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SCOTT THYGERSON HEARD; DIRECTOR MARTINEZ HEARD REGARDING THE ANESTHESIA SERVICE AND THE IMPACT ON TRAUMA SERVICES; DIRECTOR PELZ HEARD REGARDING PATIENT SATISFACTION SURVEY RESULTS FOR THE SURGERY CENTER VERSES THE HOSPITAL; RECEIVED AND FILED Pelz-Berjis: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

ADJOURNED AS KERN MEDICAL SURGERY CENTER, LLC BOARD OF MANAGERS; RECONVENED AS KERN COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS Pelz-Berjis: 4 Ayes; 2 Absent - Neal, Pollard

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION **Martinez-Berjis**

CLOSED SESSION

- 32) Request for Closed Session regarding peer review of health practitioners (Health and Safety Code Section 101855(j)(2)) SEE RESULTS BELOW
- Request for Closed Session regarding peer review of health facilities (Health and Safety Code Section 101855(j)(2)) SEE RESULTS BELOW
- 34) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Agency designated representatives: Chief Executive Officer Scott Thygerson, and designated staff Employee Organizations: Unrepresented Employees (Government Code Section 54957.6) SEE RESULTS BELOW

- 35) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64581, Penalty No. 120019236 SEE RESULTS BELOW
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64581, Penalty No. 120019259 SEE RESULTS BELOW
- 37) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64581, Penalty No. 120019322 SEE RESULTS BELOW
- 38) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64580, Penalty No. 120019340 SEE RESULTS BELOW
- 39) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64581, Penalty No. 120019384 SEE RESULTS BELOW
- 40) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64573, Penalty No. 120019386 SEE RESULTS BELOW
- 41) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-66389, Penalty No. 120019413 SEE RESULTS BELOW
- 42) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-66388, Penalty No. 120019455 SEE RESULTS BELOW
- 43) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
 (Government Code Section 54956.9(e)(3)) Number of cases: Three (3) Significant exposure to litigation in the opinion of the Board of Governors on the advice of legal counsel, based on: The receipt of a claim pursuant to the Government Claims Act or some other written communication from a potential plaintiff threatening litigation, which non-exempt claim or communication is available for public inspection SEE RESULTS BELOW
- Request for Closed Session for the purpose of discussion or taking action on authority trade secrets (Health and Safety Code Section 101855(e)(1)) SEE RESULTS BELOW

RECONVENED FROM CLOSED SESSION Pelz-Berjis

REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Item 32 concerning Request for Closed Session regarding peer review of health practitioners (Health and Safety Code Section 101855(j)(2)) – HEARD; BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE DIRECTORS PRESENT (MOTION BY DIRECTOR BERJIS, SECOND BY DIRECTOR PELZ); 2 ABSENT - DIRECTORS NEAL AND POLLARD), THE BOARD APPROVED ALL PRACTITIONERS RECOMMENDED FOR INITIAL APPOINTMENT, REAPPOINTMENT, RELEASE OF PROCTORING, REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN STAFF STATUS, REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN CLINICAL PRIVILEGES, VOLUNTARY RESIGNATION OF PRIVILEGES, AND AUTOMATIC TERMINATION OF PRIVILEGES; NO OTHER REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 33 concerning Request for Closed Session regarding peer review of health facilities (Health and Safety Code Section 101855(j)(2)) – HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 34 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - Agency designated representatives: Chief Executive Officer Scott Thygerson, and designated staff - Employee Organizations: Unrepresented Employees (Government Code Section 54957.6) – HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 35 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64581, Penalty No. 120019236 — HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 36 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64581, Penalty No. 120019259 — HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 37 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64581, Penalty No. 120019322 — HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 38 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64580, Penalty No. 120019340 — HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 39 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64581, Penalty No. 120019384 — HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 40 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-64573, Penalty No. 120019386 — HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 41 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-66389, Penalty No. 120019413 — HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

Item 42 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - FORMALLY INITIATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) Name of case: Accusation in the Matter of the Appeal by Kern County Hospital Authority dba Kern Medical Center, CDPH Case No. 23-AL-LNC-66388, Penalty No. 120019455 — HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

NOTE: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SCOTT THYGERSON LEFT THE ROOM PRIOR TO THE DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEM 43

Item 43 concerning CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(e)(3)) Number of cases: Three (3) Significant exposure to litigation in the opinion of the Board of Governors on the advice of legal counsel, based on: The receipt of a claim pursuant to the Government Claims Act or some other written communication from a potential plaintiff threatening litigation, which non-exempt claim or communication is available for public inspection — HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

NOTE: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SCOTT THYGERSON RETURNED TO THE MEETING FOLLOWING THE DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEM 43

Item 44 concerning Request for Closed Session for the purpose of discussion or taking action on authority trade secrets (Health and Safety Code Section 101855(e)(1)) – HEARD; NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

ADJOURNED TO WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024 AT 11:30 A.M. **Pelz**

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/s/

Mona A. Allen

Authority Board Coordinator

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Phillip McLaughlin

Vice Chairman, Board of Governors Kern County Hospital Authority