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## Delta Health Foundation Board of Directors Minutes of the meeting 16 Mar 2022

**Attendees:** Darnell Place-Wise, president; Barbara Wolfe, vice-president; Bill Hellman, treasurer; Bruce Mixer, secretary; Carol Wicburg; Thelma Starner; Kirsten Kimbriel; Vanessa Hoff; Doug Atchley

**Absent:** Mark Condon

**Ex-Officio:** Matt Heyn, Delta Health CEO

Meeting called to order at 1200 hrs

Minutes of the special meeting 1 March were reviewed and approved (motion by Thelma, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill)  
Financial report from Feb was reviewed by Darnell. Noted deposit of \$1963.49, and no other activity in February.  
Approved unanimously (motion by Vanessa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thelma)

### Executive Report by Darnell:

1. 10 gas cards were purchased for Oncology
2. Darnell discussed holding the Gala 30 Dec at the Grove, but will cost \$4K to rent, will seat about 150 people, though more with the full facility. Could have a cash bar. Thelma noted the cost would be about \$70/person, and renting BHRC in the past cost about \$3K for 2 days (to allow for decoration, which we would have to do). Darnell mentioned BHRC is unavailable on Dec 30, because of school being out. Could consider using Heritage Hall in Hotchkiss, which holds about 300 people. Vanessa noted that we could ask for an in-kind donation from the Grove to lower the cost (and wouldn't have to decorate). Kirsten noted the option to hire a decorating company to help us at BHRC. Bill, semi-joking, mentioned the possibility of using Hellman Toyota. Finally, the plan was to ask the Grove about a non-profit price or donation, consider BHRC for a different day (and consider a decorating company), and re-look at Heritage Hall. These chores will be pursued by Darnell.
3. The Golf Classic is planned for 4 June at Devil's Thumb. Considering asking CB's Tavern if they can provide breakfast burritos and/or alcohol. Lunch and music will be at 1400hrs. Planning a silent auction. Vanessa asked whether a planned silent auction for the Gala could be cancelled and just an appeal for donations made, which she found has been very successful at other benefits. The hospital marketing department could produce a video telling the hospital story and include patient testimonials.
4. The Pea Green pedal is scheduled for 10 Sep
5. Nominating committee will wait till we have more people on the Board.

### Old Business:

Possible donation to the tax campaign fund. Matt mentioned about \$40K has been raised so far, with \$80K potentially needed for a campaign. The special election is on 3 May. He has tried to enlist donations from vendors, but not successfully ("tapped the well"). Kirsten wondered about ballot language stating returning the money if the tax initiative doesn't pass, and if a merger was necessary that it would result in an immediate sunset of the tax. No ballot language was included discussing that. Both Carol and Vanessa expressed people's concern about their investments in the measure. Doug noted that all are concerned about viability of a local hospital. He wondered about IRS implications of a large donation from the Foundation, since we are a 501(c)3. Darnell had



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spoken with our attorney, who mentioned that lobbying can't be a 'substantial' part of our activities, not a part of our usual operational activities, and can't be more than 20% of total expenses. Barbara reminds us of a recent

large donation, so we should be willing to donate also. Plan: Darnell will discuss IRS concerns with our CPA. Barbara moved that we donate \$40K to the tax campaign fund, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vanessa. All approved. This will be pending approval by our CPA. Darnell to email the Board.

**New Business:** Darnell was announced as the new executive director at the special meeting, but Kirsten noted that the by-laws specify that the whole Board is to make that decision. Darnell excused herself from further discussion. All felt that the by-laws should be followed, and should be updated soon. In order to properly appoint an executive director, the hiring process and the interviews were reviewed. Bruce made a motion to vote Darnell in as new executive director, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill. Approved unanimously. Darnell returned to the meeting, and was officially apprised her new status.

Election for a new Board president will be held next meeting.

**Hospital Board report:**

1. Jacque Davis, marketing director, gave a nice presentation regarding her department activities. New signage has only cost \$20K so far.
2. Four candidates are running for 3 Hospital Board seats in the 3 May special election. This includes 3 incumbents.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1325hrs. Next meeting 20 Apr at 1200hrs in Crag Crest classroom.

Respectfully submitted by B. Mixer