



**El Camino Healthcare District Board of Directors
Open Session Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 14, 2025**

El Camino Hospital | Sobrato Boardroom 1 | 2500 Grant Road, Mountain View, CA

Board Members Present

John Zoglin, Chair
 Carol A. Somersille, MD, Vice Chair
 Julia E. Miller,
 Secretary/Treasurer** (joined at 6:38 p.m.)
 Peter C. Fung, MD
 George O. Ting, MD

Board Members Absent

None

Others Present

Dan Woods, CEO
 Carlos Bohorquez, CFO
 Theresa Fuentes, CLO
 Ken King, CAO
 Mark Klein, CCMO
 Tracey Lewis Taylor, COO
 Jon Cowan, Executive
 Director, Government Relations
 and Community Partnerships

Others Present

Anne Yang, Executive Director,
 Governance Services **
 Tracy Fowler, Director, Governance
 Services
 Gabriel Fernandez, Governance
 Services Coordinator
 Brian Richards, Audio Visual
 Services Program Manager
 Deanna Chevas, Deputy Director,
 Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition
 Otto Lee, Santa Clara County Board
 of Supervisors President
 Brian Darrow, Special Assistant to
 the County Executive
 Paul Lorenz, CEO of Santa Clara
 Valley Healthcare

**Via teleconference

Agenda Item	Comments/Discussion	Approvals/ Action
1. CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL	Chair Zoglin called to order the open session of the Regular Meeting of the El Camino Healthcare District Board of Directors (the "Board") at 5:30 p.m. and reviewed the logistics for the meeting. A verbal roll call was taken; Directors Fung, Somersille, Ting, and Zoglin were present, constituting a quorum. Director Miller joined remotely at 6:38 p.m. pursuant to AB 2449 (Just Cause – Board travel).	Call to Order at 5:30 p.m.
2. CONSIDER AB 2449 REQUESTS	Chair Zoglin asked if any members of the Board were appearing remotely per AB 2449. Staff announced that Director Miller would be joining the meeting soon and participating remotely under Just Cause.	
3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG	Chair Zoglin asked Director Fung to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.	
4. POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES	Chair Zoglin asked if any Board members had a conflict of interest with any of the items on the agenda. No conflicts were noted.	
5. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION	Chair Zoglin asked if there were any members of the public with comments for any items not listed on the agenda. There were no members of the public requesting to speak on this item.	
6. COMMUNITY BENEFIT SPOTLIGHT	Mr. Cowan introduced Ms. Deanna Chevas, Deputy Director of the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition, who presented an overview of the organization's <i>Bike to Health</i> program, highlighting beginner rides, family-friendly events, and collaborations to promote safe cycling across district communities. Board members discussed protected bike lanes and community participation.	Resolution 2025-09 adopted.

	<p>Motion: To adopt Resolution 2025-09 recognizing Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition.</p> <p>Movant: Somersille Second: Fung Ayes: Fung, Somersille, Ting, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: Miller Recused: None</p>	
<p>7. RECEIVE SANTA CLARA COUNTY PRESENTATION: IMPACT OF FEDERAL BUDGET CUTS TO DISTRICT RESIDENTS AND COUNTY'S RESPONSE</p>	<p>Chair Zoglin introduced Otto Lee, President of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors who opened the discussion and introduced Brian Darrow, Special Assistant to the County Executive and Paul Lorenz, CEO of Santa Clara Valley Healthcare. The presenters provided an overview of the county's projected \$1 billion fiscal impact from federal budget reductions under H.R. 1, and described associated effects on Medi-Cal funding, emergency care capacity, and social services. They outlined the county's proposed Measure A sales tax initiative and related efforts to mitigate the anticipated shortfall.</p> <p>Four members of the public spoke in support of Measure A: Dr. Sarah Rudman, Jerry Manukian, Christine Delafuente, and Gary Montrezza, who spoke for 2 minutes each. Board members thanked the presenters and commenters for their participation. Directors Somersille and Fung posed questions regarding taxpayer impact and reforms within the county health system, which were addressed by Supervisor Lee and Mr. Lorenz.</p>	
<p>8. FY25 AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT</p>	<p>Ms. Pulver presented the District's FY25 Audited Financial Report. The auditors issued an unmodified opinion with an emphasis of matter related to a new accounting standard. District-only results reflected lower bond repayment revenues due to reserve adjustments. No material weaknesses were identified.</p>	
<p>9. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION</p>	<p>Motion: To recess to closed session at 6:37 p.m.</p> <p>Movant: Fung Second: Ting Ayes: Fung, Somersille, Ting, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: Miller Recused: None</p>	<p><i>Recessed to closed session at 6:37 p.m.</i></p>
<p>10. AGENDA ITEM 16: CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT</p>	<p>The open session was reconvened at 7:32 p.m. by Chair Zoglin. Agenda Items 10–13 were addressed in closed session. Chair Zoglin confirmed Director Miller's remote participation under AB 2449 and asked whether anyone over the age of 18 was present in the room with her. Director Miller confirmed she was alone.</p> <p>Mr. Fernandez reported that during closed session, the ECHD Board approved the closed session minutes of the June 17, 2025, meeting. No other reportable actions were taken.</p>	<p><i>Reconvened open session at 7:32 p.m.</i></p>

<p>11. AGENDA ITEM 17: APPROVE FY25 AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT</p>	<p>Chair Zoglin asked for a motion to approve the FY25 Audited Financial Report, which had been reviewed earlier in open session and discussed with the auditor on personnel matters during closed session. The report received an unmodified opinion with no material findings.</p> <p>Motion: To approve the FY25 Audited Financial Report.</p> <p>Movant: Fung Second: Miller Ayes: Fung, Miller, Somersille, Ting, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: None Recused: None</p>	<p><i>FY25 Audited Financial Report approved.</i></p>
<p>12. AGENDA ITEM 18: APPROVAL OF CAPITAL REQUEST: MOUNTAIN VIEW CAMPUS COMPLETION - WING J PROJECT</p>	<p>Mr. King presented the capital request for the Mountain View Campus Completion – Wing J Project, representing the final phase of the campus master plan originally approved in 2016. Mr. King reviewed the project scope and financial summary, requesting District approval of funding not to exceed \$80.5 million for Phase 3B construction.</p> <p>He explained that the project includes infrastructure enhancements and the build-out of lower levels to support future inpatient and outpatient capacity. Directors discussed the project’s alignment with long-term facility planning and the effective use of District resources. Director Miller expressed concern about land utilization and emphasized the importance of ongoing oversight. Director Ting asked about the potential use of the basement area for patient care, and Mr. King confirmed that the design allows flexibility for future clinical use.</p> <p>Motion: To approve funding not to exceed \$80.5 million for Phase 3B of the Mountain View Campus Completion Project as reviewed and recommended for approval by the El Camino Hospital Board on August 13, 2025.</p> <p>Movant: Fung Second: Ting Ayes: Fung, Somersille, Ting, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: Miller Absent: None Recused: None</p>	<p><i>Capital Request approved.</i></p>
<p>13. AGENDA ITEM 23: ECHD NEWSLETTER</p>	<p>Chair Zoglin announced that the agenda item on the <i>El Camino Healthcare District Connect</i> newsletter would be taken out of order to allow Dr. Ting to participate before his departure.</p> <p>Mr. Klein opened the discussion regarding the proposed Winter 2025 issue of the District newsletter. He reviewed its purpose, timeline, and governance process, explaining that the Board’s role is to provide strategic direction and approve content categories, while staff manage design, writing, and distribution.</p> <p>Directors discussed several points of clarification. Ms. Fuentes confirmed that professional designations such as “MD” will not be</p>	<p><i>Actions: Marketing to confirm accuracy of District map in the newsletter.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Fuentes to share referenced</i></p>

	<p>used after board members' names, in accordance with Fair Political Practices Commission guidance. Director Miller expressed concern about this restriction and requested that the written FPPC guidance be shared for reference.</p> <p>The Board requested that staff confirm that the District map accurately depicts all areas within the healthcare district (including portions of Palo Alto).</p> <p>Staff clarified that the newsletter process will be that (1) the board approves overall content categories and guidelines to ensure alignment with district priorities, (2) board members may submit input and suggestions on content topics for each publication cycle, (3) content development, writing, and production remain the responsibility of staff and contracted professionals, and (4) final sign off on content topics and expert contributors rests with the CEO, CCMO, and at the Chair's discretion, the Chair or designee. The board requested more vigorous vetting of experts quoted in the newsletter to ensure they are experts .</p>	<p><i>FPPC opinion with the Board</i></p>
<p>14. AGENDA ITEM 19: COMMUNITY BENEFIT</p>	<p>Mr. Jon Cowan, Executive Director of Government Relations and Community Partnerships, presented two related items: (a) the annual adoption of the Community Benefit Grants Policy with proposed updates, and (b) the FY2027 Guiding Principles and Ranked & Prioritized Health Needs for the Board's endorsement.</p> <p>Mr. Cowan provided an overview of recent grant cycle outcomes and explained that the policy updates were designed to improve clarity, streamline reporting, and allow limited budget flexibility for approved grantees. Proposed updates included permitting up to a 5% reallocation among program categories, minor line-item adjustments up to \$5,000 or 10%, and continuing eligibility for multi-year funding.</p> <p>During discussion, Directors asked questions and offered comments that at times overlapped both agenda items. Director Somersille asked about the relationship between the annual health needs assessment and the ranking process, while Director Fung noted the importance of aligning future funding with measurable population health outcomes. Director Miller requested clarification on how the FY2027 guiding principles would influence allocations in future grant years, including the 5% reallocation. Mr. Cowan responded that staff would bring forward an implementation framework to the board at a later date to operationalize these priorities, and that any reallocation would be brought to the board for approval.</p> <p>Motion: To approve adoption of the Community Benefit Grants Policy as presented, including the proposed updates.</p> <p>Movant: Somersille Second: Ting Ayes: Fung, Miller, Somersille, Ting, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: None</p>	<p><i>Community Benefit Grants Policy approved.</i></p>

	<p>Recused: None</p> <p>Following a brief discussion, Director Miller sought clarification regarding whether 5% increase would return to the Board for approval. Mr. Cowan confirmed that they would. Chair Zoglin asked for a motion to approve item 19B – FY2027 Guiding Principles and Ranked and Prioritized Health Needs. Director Miller made the following motion:</p> <p>Motion: I'll move approval with the clarification that 5% increases come back to the board for approval .</p> <p>Movant: Miller Second: Ting Ayes: Fung, Miller, Somersille, Ting, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: None Recused: None</p>	<p>FY2027 Guiding Principles and Ranked & Prioritized Health Needs approved.</p>
<p>15. AGENDA ITEM 20: CONSENT CALENDAR</p>	<p>Chair Zoglin asked if any items should be removed from the consent calendar for separate discussion. Director Somersille asked for discussion on items c and d (ECH Competency Matrix and ECH Board of Directors Re-Appointment Questionnaire) to explain the process behind those materials.</p> <p>Motion: To approve the consent calendar Movant: Somersille Second: Miller</p> <p>Chair Zoglin asked for discussion and Dr. Fung noted that he had not yet carefully read items c and d and therefore would abstain from voting. Director Miller also abstained.</p> <p>Ayes: Somersille, Ting, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: Fung, Miller Absent: None Recused: None</p>	<p>Consent calendar approved. <i>- Minutes of the Open Session of the District Board Meeting (06/17/2025)</i> <i>- Minutes of the Open Session of the District Board Special Meeting (08/13/2025)</i> <i>- ECH Competency Matrix</i> <i>- ECH Board of Directors Re-Appointment Questionnaire</i></p>
<p>16. AGENDA ITEM 21: FY26 ECHB DIRECTOR REAPPOINTMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATE</p>	<p>Dr. Somersille, Chair of the FY26 ECHB Director Reappointment Ad Hoc Committee, provided an update on the committee's progress. She reported that the committee had met to review the competency matrix, self-assessments, and reappointment materials for the current cycle. The process is on track, and both the matrix and questionnaire were included in the consent calendar.</p> <p>Dr. Somersille also shared that the committee will distribute the competency matrix to all El Camino Hospital Board members for completion and will send the reappointment questionnaire to the two directors eligible for reappointment this cycle. Staff will coordinate with Governance Services to compile and summarize responses for the ad hoc committee's review.</p>	<p>Action: Staff to distribute competency matrix to ECH Board members for completion.</p>
<p>17. AGENDA ITEM 22: APPOINTMENT OF FY27 ECHB</p>	<p>Chair Zoglin introduced the item to appoint members to the FY27 El Camino Hospital Board Director Reappointment/Recruitment Ad Hoc Committee. He stated that the committee's composition would remain</p>	<p>Resolution 2025-10 adopted</p>

<p>DIRECTOR REAPPOINTMENT/ RECRUITMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE</p>	<p>the same as the current cycle to ensure continuity, with Dr. Carol Somersille continuing to serve as Chair and Chair Zoglin as the second member.</p> <p>The Board briefly discussed the use of advisors to the committee. Ms. Fuentes confirmed that the Governance Committee Policy permits advisors to support the work of an ad hoc committee, but that the committee consists of only the two members listed on the resolution.</p> <p>Motion: To approve Resolution 2025 – 10 appointing the FY27 ECHB Director Reappointment/Recruitment Ad Hoc Committee.</p> <p>Movant: Fung Second: Miller Ayes: Fung, Miller, Somersille, Ting, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: None Recused: None</p>	
<p>18. AGENDA ITEM 24: BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS</p>	<p>Chair Zoglin invited announcements from the Board. Director Miller commented on the earlier verification of her remote participation and asked why she had been asked whether anyone over the age of 18 was present in the room. Ms. Fuentes clarified that the question is required under the AB 2449 teleconferencing provisions and that the requirement is just a disclosure, not a prohibition on having someone in the room.</p> <p>Director Miller also remarked that she was pleased that recent labor negotiations concluded successfully and that neither the nurses nor SEIU members had gone on strike.</p>	
<p>19. AGENDA ITEM 25: ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>Motion: To adjourn at 8:24 p.m.</p> <p>Movant: Ting Second: Miller Ayes: Fung, Miller, Somersille, Ting, Zoglin Noes: None Abstentions: None Absent: None Recused: None</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.</p>

Attest as to the approval of the foregoing minutes by the Board of Directors of El Camino Healthcare District:

Julia Miller
 Secretary/Treasurer, ECHD Board

Prepared by: Tracy Fowler, Director, Governance Services
 Reviewed by: Julia Miller, Secretary/Treasurer, ECHD Board and Theresa Fuentes, Chief Legal Officer