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Commission Meeting Minutes

Ventura County Public Health
2240 E. Gonzales Road, Suite 200
Oxnard, CA 93036

September 8, 2010

√	Commission Members in Attendance	
√	Michael Powers , Director, Ventura County Health Care Agency	√ Roberto S. Juarez , CEO, Clinicas del Camino Real, Inc.
√	Lanyard Dial, MD , Physician, Ventura County Medical Association	Kathy Long , Ventura County Board of Supervisors
√	David Araujo, MD , Director, Ventura County Medical Center Family Medicine Residency Program	√ Tim Maurice , Private Hospitals/Healthcare System
√	Maylee Berry , Medi-Cal Beneficiary Advocate	√ Catherine Rodriguez , Ventura County Medical Health System
√	John Fankhauser, MD , Physician, Ventura County Medical Center Executive Committee.	√ Anil Chawla, MD , Physician, Clinicas del Camino Real, Inc.
√	Rick Jarvis , Private Hospitals/Healthcare System	

	Staff in Attendance	Guests
	Terrie Stanley , Interim CEO, Ventura COHS	Jennifer Bower , Human Resources Director, RGS-LGS
	Tin Kin Lee , Counsel	Candice Limousin , Human Resource Manager, RGS-LGS
	Dee Pupa , Interim Assistant Clerk of the Board	
	Alison Sawyer , Interim Clerk of the Board	

AGENDA ITEM / PRESENTER	MOTIONS / MAJOR DISCUSSIONS	ACTION TAKEN
1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance Michael Powers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance 	
2. Roll Call	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Commissioners present, except for Catherine Rodriguez, Supervisor Long (excused). A quorum was present 	
3. Public comment/correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jim Hensley (League of United Latin American Citizens) encouraged the Commission to open the CEO selection process to the public, noting that this is an important job. He suggested that the Commission take time and allow the candidates to be vetted by the public. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Cruz (Health Education League of America) urged the Commission to collaborate with the public—noting the importance of giving the community an opportunity to engage. • Maria Elena Cruz (Health Education League of America) encouraged the Commission to pick the best qualified individual, noting that it is important that the CEO be willing to work with the community. <p>Mr. Powers thanked the speakers for their comments and agreed that the CEO is a vital position. He noted that the Commission is looking for someone with experience working with the Medicaid population and with the community. He emphasized that the Commission does not want to be hasty—they want to take the time to get it right. He felt that, with eighty applications, the recruitment had been a robust process.</p> <p>Mr. Juarez commented that he understood the speakers’ concern and that the Commission wanted to make sure the process is done right. He noted that seven candidates had been interviewed from the eighty applicants. Mr. Powers added that the Executive/Finance Committee had, after the seven candidate interviews, recommended four to the Commission for final interviews.</p> <p>Mr. Juarez sought clarification as to whether, if the Commission reaches a decision, an offer may be made in closed session. Counsel Lee stated that the offer could be made in closed session; however, the announcement would be made in open session. Mr. Powers noted that any contract would be brought back to a public meeting of the Commission for discussion.</p> <p>Mr. Hensley commented that he thought the interviews could be conducted in public. Mr. Powers responded that, while he understands the need for a public process, keeping such discussion in closed session is done in fairness to the candidates. Dr. Dial agreed, noting that due diligence has been done to find exceptional candidates, who would be an asset for the community. Mr. Powers emphasized that the members of the Commission are representative of community providers and beneficiaries.</p>	

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4. Closed Session Jennifer Bower	Mr. Powers announced the intent of the Commission to go into Closed Session to conduct interviews for the purpose of Public Employee Appointment or Employment (Gov. Code §54957) Title: Chief Executive Officer Commissioner Rodriguez is in attendance.	Interim CEO, Interim Clerks of the Board were excused. Closed Session start: 3:21 p.m. Closed Session end: 7:47 p.m. After returning to Open Session, Chairman Powers stated that no action was taken.
5. Final Comments from Commissioners	No Comments	
6. Adjourn Michael Powers, Chair	Mr. Powers adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.	

Submitted by: Alison Sawyer
 Recorder