

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF
UMC HEALTH SYSTEM**

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025

Mark Funderburk, President and Chief Executive Officer, called the UMC Board of Managers meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, March 24, 2025. The meeting was held in the UMC Board Room at University Medical Center, 602 Indiana Avenue, Lubbock, Texas.

Ms. Laura Vinson, chairman, confirmed that no one from the public registered to comment.

Ms. Vinson welcomed the Board Members and guests and thanked them for attending. The following members and guests were present:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

John DeToledo, M.D. non-voting	Jason Medina	Laura Vinson
Gary Greenstreet	Mikella Newsom	Gladys Whitten, D.M.D.
Mont McClendon	Tray Payne	

MEMBERS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Teresa Barron	Adonica Hall (virtual)	Greg Roberts (virtual)
Tina Belcher	Allan Haynes, M.D.	Abigail Scioli
Haylee Bond	Jeff Hill	Jill Shanklin (virtual)
Betty Cornell (virtual)	Bobbye Hrnccirik (virtual)	Amy Sikes, M.D.
Jeff Dane	Brent King (virtual)	Nick Skeen
Aaron Davis	John Lowe	Shane Terrell
Dean Diersing (virtual)	Kayla Long	Victor Test, M.D.
Kristi Duske	Steven Maddux (virtual)	Amanda Tijerina
Bill Eubanks	Heather Martinez	Kala Waits
Glen Frick	Amy O'Meara	Phillip Waldmann
Mark Funderburk	Brian Payne, M.D.	Tammy Williams
Kyle Galyean	Mike Ragain, M.D.	

INVOCATION

Mr. Mark Funderburk voiced the invocation.

QUORUM

With seven voting members present, a quorum was established.

EMPLOYEE/PROVIDER RECOGNITION

Mike Ragain, M.D., Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer, presented the House Staff of the Month, Kelan Nesbitt, M.D., the Attending of the Month, Michelle Tarbox, M.D. and the Advanced Practice Professional of the Quarter, Shawn Reeves, APRN, PNP-AC/PC. The Employee of the Month, Diego Rivera, was presented by, Jeff Hill, Senior Vice President Support Services and Government Relations Administration.

Chairman Vinson temporarily adjourned Open Session at 8:11 a.m. to enter into the Performance Improvement Oversight Committee Meeting.

OPEN SESSION

The Board of Managers reconvened into Open Session at 9:38 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Managers went into a Closed Meeting under Government Code Sections 551.071,

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551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076 and 551.085 at 9:38 a.m. to consult with attorney concerning pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, and confidential legal matters; to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, deliberate personnel matters; to deliberate financial planning information relating to negotiation for provision of services or product lines; to deliberate proposed new services or product lines and to review Professional Staff credentials (Health and Safety Code Section 161.031 et seq.).

RECESS: Without objection, the Board agreed to recess at 12:15 p.m., for a brief break.

OPEN SESSION

The Board of Managers reconvened in Open Session at 12:23 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following were presented for approval.

A. Minutes-Performance Improvement Oversight Committee – February 24, 2025

B. Minutes-Regular Board of Managers – February 24, 2025

C. Professional Staff Report

The Board was provided with a report of recommendations from the Executive Committee Meeting held on March 3, 2024, including Applicants to Staff, Ad Hoc Applicants to Staff, Temporary Privileges, Resignations, Active Reappointments, and Referring Reappointments.

D. Contract Management Report

The Board was provided with a report of UMC's contract management system report. The data is completed for the Det Norske Veritas (DNV) survey and is for information purposes.

E. Accounts For Referral

The Board was provided with a report for March 2025, Accounts for Referral report. There was one account in March over \$250,000, in the amount of \$1,076,466.80.

F. Epic Contracts

The Board was provided with the Epic related third-party contracts. These contracts are part of a larger Epic project previously approved by the Board. These contracts presented included:

Change Healthcare

Philips Healthcare

The total expenditure for these agreements is \$310,007.

G. Smart CT

The Board was provided with the Smart CT request. This request is to upgrade for the Azurion 7, which enhances imaging by providing detailed views of soft tissue, bone structure, contrast-filled vessels, and stent placement. It enables fast reconstructions for quicker decision-making during procedures. Dual-phase imaging captures both arterial and post-arterial contrast images, improving visualization of blood vessels and surrounding tissue. Staff recommends the purchase from Philips, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$69,800. This will be paid for out of the 2024 budgeted funds.

H. NIM Machines

The Board was provided with the NIM Machines request. The NIM monitoring system is an intraoperative EMG monitor that helps surgeons identify and assess nerve integrity during surgery. It uses stimulation probes to trigger muscle contractions linked to the targeted nerves. Electrodes detect these signals and translate them into graphs and sounds displayed on the monitor. Commonly used by ENT and neurosurgeons, the system is essential for cranial, head, and neck procedures. Staff recommends the purchase from Medtronic, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$135,053. This will be paid for out of the 2024 budgeted funds.

I. Nerve Stimulator (28)

The Board was provided with the Nerve Stimulator request. This request for the Bell Medical nerve stimulator, which helps locate and stimulate nerves by sending electrical impulses

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through a probe or needle, triggering a muscle response. This feedback allows clinicians to assess the effects of neuromuscular blocking agents during anesthesia and determine when it is safe to remove the patient from the anesthesia machine. Staff recommends the purchase from Bell Medical, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$65,808. This will be paid for out of the 2024 budgeted funds.

J. Spine High-Speed Drills (4)

The Board was provided with the Spine High-Speed Drills request. This request is for spine drills that are specialized surgical tools used in spinal surgery. They assist in procedures such as spinal fusion, decompression, and other spinal interventions. These drills are designed to provide high precision, speed, and efficiency when drilling or preparing bone during surgery. Staff recommends the purchase from Stryker, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$159,039. This will be paid for out of the 2024 budgeted funds.

K. Endobronchial Ultrasound Scope Upgrade (3)

The Board was provided with the Endobronchial Ultrasound Scope Upgrade request. This request is for the Olympus EBUS (Endobronchial Ultrasound) scope, which is a medical imaging tool used primarily for diagnosing and staging lung cancer, as well as assessing other respiratory conditions. It combines bronchoscopy with ultrasound to provide real-time imaging of the airways and surrounding tissues. This allows clinicians to view structures and perform biopsies in areas that would otherwise be difficult to access. Staff recommends the purchase from Olympus, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$88,846. This will be paid for out of the 2025 budgeted funds.

L. MRI Anesthesia Machines (2)

The Board was provided with the MRI Anesthesia Machines request. This request is for the Fabius MRI anesthesia machine, which is a specialized device designed for use in MRI environments. Unlike standard anesthesia machines, it is engineered to function safely and efficiently within the strong magnetic field of an MRI room. Traditional equipment could pose risks due to metal components interfering with the MRI's magnetic fields, but the Fabius MRI is built to avoid such issues. Staff recommends the purchase from Draeger, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$148,182. This will be paid for out of the 2024 budgeted funds.

M. IV Poles (400)

The Board was provided with the IV Poles request. This request is for the IV Poles with four hooks and a stainless steel twenty-five-inch base. Staff recommends the purchase from Steamline Hospital Services, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$223,343. This will be paid for out of the 2024 budgeted funds.

N. Steam Sterilizer (2)

The Board was provided with the Steam Sterilizer request. This request is for medical steam sterilizers which are used in healthcare environments for sterilization of heat and moisture stable items, such as surgical instruments and implanted medical devices. Staff recommends the purchase from Getinge, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$107,690. This will be paid for out of the 2025 budgeted funds.

O. ORLocate (34)

The Board was provided with the ORLocate request. This request is a surgical counting and detection system using radio frequency identification (RFID) technology, which is designed to enhance surgical counting protocols. It helps reduce the risk of retained surgical items and improves the accuracy of manual surgical counts in the operating and delivery rooms. The RFID handheld reader can count uniquely tagged sponges in seconds, and the detection system is capable of locating RFID tags up to 19 inches in vivo. Staff recommends the purchase from Steris, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$244,600. This will be paid for out of the 2025 budgeted funds.

P. Pulmonary Ultrasound Machine

The Board was provided with the Pulmonary Ultrasound Machine request. Dr. Test and the pulmonary team have requested an ultrasound machine. Currently, their practice involves borrowing one from the MICU, which is sometimes unavailable due to active use in the MICU or being taken to medical-surgical units. This practice creates a safety concern, as it can leave the MICU without an ultrasound machine during times when multiple procedures are occurring

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simultaneously. Staff recommends the purchase from GE Healthcare, a Vizient vendor, for a total cost of \$55,946. This will be paid for out of the 2025 unbudgeted funds.

Chairman Vinson called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items. At this time, Ms. Vinson gave members an opportunity to ask questions or voice objections. With no objections, Ms. Vinson asked for a motion for the Consent Agenda items.

ACTION: Mr. Payne moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Newsom and approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Mark Funderburk, President and Chief Executive Officer, reviewed the UMC Strategic Scorecard.

Mr. Funderburk mentioned that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) was on site to review UMC's policies and procedures due to the recent measles outbreak.

Mr. Funderburk discussed the underground explosion at the Texas Tech University campus on March 13, 2025, which sparked fires and caused a campus wide power outage. He was pleased with the response of the UMC Administrative team.

Mr. Funderburk also reported that the Annual Regional Board Training will be held on April 25, 2025.

After discussion and opportunity for all present to be heard, Chairman Vinson called for a motion.

ACTION: Mr. Medina moved to accept the President's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. McClendon and approved unanimously.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Jeff Dane, Executive Vice President, Administrator and Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the February 2025 financial statements. It was the staff's recommendation to approve as presented.

Following discussion and opportunity for all present to ask questions, Chairman Vinson called for a motion.

ACTION: Mr. McClendon moved to accept the February financial statements as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Whitten and approved unanimously.

ANNUAL RACIAL PROFILING AND UMCPD UPDATE

Mr. Jeff Hill, Senior Vice President Support Services and Government Relations, introduced Scott Bradley, UMC Chief of Police. Mr. Bradley presented the Annual Racial Profiling and UMCPD Update to the Board. It was the staff's recommendation to approve as presented.

Following discussion and opportunity for all present to ask questions, Chairman Vinson called for a motion.

ACTION: Mr. Medina moved to accept the Annual Racial Profiling and UMCPD Update as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Newsom and approved unanimously.

TTUHSC REPORT

This report was deferred.

BID PROPOSALS AND SERVICE AGREEMENTS

The Board considered all of the following bid proposals and service agreements.

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A. OR Laser

Adonica Hall, Vice President of Surgical Services, presented the OR Laser request to the Board. Ms. Hall explained that the UltraPulse system allows for advanced treatment of various severely damaged skin lesions that require both coagulation and ablation for effective resurfacing. It will be used on burn patients for scar revisions.

Staff recommend the purchase from Lumenis, a Vizient vendor, for a total cost of \$252,999. This will be paid for out of the 2025 budgeted funds.

B. Low Temperature Sterilizer (2)

Adonica Hall, Vice President of Surgical Services, presented the low temperature sterilizer to the Board. Ms. Hall explained that a low temperature sterilizer is used for items that cannot withstand steam sterilization. The process uses vaporized hydrogen peroxide to sterilize medical devices and materials. Examples include endoscopes, cameras, batteries, and ultrasound probes.

Staff recommend the purchase from Steris, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$303,313. This will be paid for out of the 2024 budgeted funds.

C. Infant Security System

Jill Shanklin, Vice President of Nursing Excellence, presented the infant security system to the Board. Ms. Shanklin explained that the Hugs Infant Protection system provides hospital-wide monitoring, real-time alerts, auto enrolling bands, offering continual supervision and historical data for regulatory compliance and operational reporting.

Staff recommends the purchase from Securitas Healthcare, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$437,804. This will be paid for out of the 2024 budgeted funds.

D. Ultrasound Machine Replacement (2)

Nick Skeen, Executive Vice President of Service Line Development and Chief Operating Officer, presented the ultrasound machine replacement to the Board. Mr. Skeen explained that the GE Vivid E95 premium cardiovascular ultrasound machine a high-end ultrasound system used primarily in cardiology and vascular imaging. It is designed to provide high-resolution imaging for various diagnostic purposes, particularly for heart and blood vessel assessments.

Staff recommend the purchase from GE Healthcare, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$312,720. This will be paid for out of the 2025 budgeted funds.

E. Vascular Ultrasound Machine Replacement (2)

Nick Skeen, Executive Vice President of Service Line Development and Chief Operating Officer, presented the vascular ultrasound machine replacement to the Board. The Acuson systems are used in cardiovascular imaging to visualize the heart and blood vessels, assess heart function, and detect conditions such as heart disease, valve issues, and congenital heart defects.

Staff recommend the purchase from Siemens Healthineers, a Vizient vendor, for a total cost of \$302,300. This will be paid for out of the 2025 budgeted funds.

F. Wolfforth Clinic Project

Nick Skeen, Executive Vice President of Service Line Development and Chief Operating Officer, presented the Wolfforth clinic project to the Board. Mr. Skeen explained that this clinic build in Wolfforth is to replace the existing outdated clinic. The timeline is accelerated from the original budget to take advantage of significant retail expansion in Wolfforth. Wolfforth has shown to have higher than the typical concentration of commercial business. The new clinic will include drive-through bays, which have shown to be both attractive and profitable.

Staff recommend the lowest compliant vendor, Lee Lewis Construction, for a total cost of \$5,749,580. This will be paid for out of the 2025 budgeted funds.

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G. Wolfforth Clinic X-Ray

Nick Skeen, Executive Vice President of Service Line Development and Chief Operating Officer, presented the Wolfforth Clinic X-Ray request to the Board. Mr. Skeen explained that the x-ray equipment is for the new clinic in Wolfforth.

Staff recommend the purchase from Philips Healthcare, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$189,201. This will be paid for out of the 2025 budgeted funds.

H. Disaster Recovery Site Server Replacement

Shane Terrell, Senior Vice President of I.T. Operations, presented the Disaster Recovery Site Server Replacement to the Board. Mr. Terrell explained that the servers in the disaster recovery (DR) environment are very near end of life and will no longer be supported by Cisco. This purchase is for new servers and other supporting technology to replace the current DR server environment.

Staff recommend the purchase from Calian, a Premier vendor, for a total cost of \$272,503. This will be paid for out of the 2025 budgeted funds.

Chairman Vinson called for a motion to approve the Bid Proposals and Service Agreements. At this time, Ms. Vinson gave members an opportunity to ask questions or voice objections. With no objections, Ms. Vinson asked for a motion.

ACTION: Mr. McClendon moved to accept the staff's recommendation as presented.
The motion was seconded by Ms. Newsom and approved unanimously.

AGREEMENTS, PROPOSALS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Board considered all of the following bid proposals and service agreements.

A. Cisco Agreement Renewal

The Board was provided with the Cisco agreement for renewal. The current five-year Cisco Enterprise Agreement expires in March and covers equipment and software licensing for all Cisco network infrastructure, including routers, switches, firewalls, wireless systems, the Meraki SD-WAN solution for clinic connectivity, VPN licenses, ThousandEyes network performance monitoring, and the Cisco Umbrella internet security solution for data loss prevention and internet-based security monitoring. The annual incremental cost increase over the previous agreement is \$142,000 due to organizational growth and the addition of ThousandEyes performance monitoring and the Umbrella security solution. The annual agreement cost is \$435,879 with a five-year expenditure of \$2,179,395. The term of this agreement is March 6, 2025, through March 5, 2030.

B. Caresyntax Agreement

Adonica Hall, Vice President of Surgical Services, presented the Caresyntax agreement to the Board. Ms. Hall explained that UMC will engage Caresyntax in a consulting agreement to assess and optimize block utilization in the ORs, evaluate and improve robotic room utilization, and identify cases suitable for shifting from the main OR to H&W. Compensation will be \$60,000 plus up to \$7,000 for travel expenses. This is a one-time engagement, with an estimated six-week duration.

At this time, Ms. Vinson gave members an opportunity to ask questions or voice objections. With no objections, Ms. Vinson asked for a motion.

ACTION: Mr. Medina moved to accept staff's recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Newsom and approved unanimously.

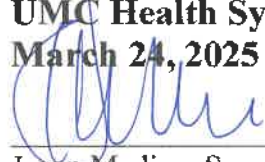
With no further business to come before the Board, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:56 p.m.

APPROVED:



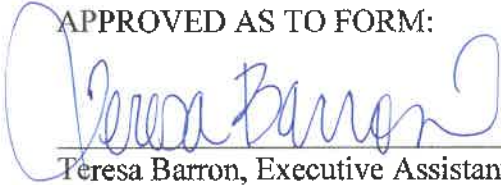
Laura Vinson, Chair

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Jason Medina, Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Teresa Barron, Executive Assistant
Consent, Bid Proposals and Agreements



Tina Belcher, Executive Assistant