

1 Mr. Smith remarked that he may have an issue with August 29, 2024 because of the Labor
2 Day weekend.

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4 On a motion by Ms. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Hurley, and carried unanimously by a vote
5 of 4-0, the NLCHD Board approved to accept the proposed meeting dates.

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7 **ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

8 Ms. Kirste stated that the Board needed to elect a Chairman, a Vice Chairman and a
9 Secretary-Treasurer.

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11 On a motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Price, and carried unanimously by a vote of
12 4-0, the NLCHD Board elected Mr. Trueman Hurley as Vice Chairman.

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14 On a motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Price and carried unanimously by a vote of
15 4-0, the NLCHD Board elected Ms. Susan Hooper as Secretary-Treasurer.

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17 On a motion by Ms. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Hurley, and carried unanimously by a vote
18 of 4-0, the NLCHD Board elected Ms. Barbara Price as Chairman.

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20 **PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

21 Mr. White recalled that at the prior meeting, he was authorized to explore what the new
22 performance review requirement per Florida Statute meant for this organization, and that
23 the draft information excluded this organization from that performance review
24 requirement.

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26 Ms. Price inquired what the Florida Statute number was.

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28 Ms. Kirste related that the Florida Statute had been provided to the Board, and that the
29 attorney who was part of the drafting had been consulted.

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31 Mr. White clarified that the attorney was part of the legislative process involved with that
32 requirement, and relayed his understanding that the NLCHD was excluded because they
33 did not govern a hospital.

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35 Ms. Kirste commented that if the organization was not a governing body of a special district
36 which governed a hospital then it did not meet the requirement to have the performance
37 review conducted.

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39 Mr. White stated that the next meeting was in May 2024, and that the performance review
40 could take two to four months to complete and cost between \$25,000 and \$150,000, noting
41 that it would be due on June 30, 2024. He opined that if this became a requirement because
42 of new information, there would not be time to wait until the May 2024 NLCHD meeting
43 to start the performance review.

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45 Ms. Kirste opined that if they had been informed incorrectly, there could be a special
46 meeting for the Board to allow someone to be hired for this; however, they were receiving

1 quotes that were very large and did not want to spend that funding unless they were
2 absolutely sure it had to be done.

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4 Ms. Price relayed her understanding that the Board may possibly have to meet before the
5 May 2024 NLCHD meeting.

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7 Mr. White opined that this would be the only way in which they could move forward, due
8 to the cost of the performance review, and that it would include receiving bids to ensure
9 receiving the best price for the services.

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11 FINANCIAL REPORT AUDIT PRESENTATION

12 Mr. White remarked that the drafted agreed upon procedures report by Moore Stephens
13 Lovelace (MSL) was included in the Board's packets, and that they had approved the
14 amounts to reimburse the organizations. He explained that they were listed by
15 organization, and that they were within the budget approved for these organizations.

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17 Ms. Kirste mentioned that the Board could review it before voting to accept the audit.

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19 Mr. White added that once it was accepted, they would reimburse the organizations.

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21 On a motion by Ms. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried unanimously by a vote
22 of 4-0, the NLCHD Board approved the audit report.

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24 PUBLIC COMMENT

25 The Chairman opened the floor for public comment.

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27 Mr. Phil Braun, Vice President and General Counsel for University of Florida (UF) Health
28 Central Florida, questioned what the purpose of the May 16, 2024 special meeting was,
29 noting that they wanted to be prepared.

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31 Mr. White commented that their firm was planning a presentation to inform the Board
32 about the Florida Statute requirements related to setting the millage and the timelines
33 associated with that.

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35 Mr. Braun asked if the Board would try to set a millage rate at that meeting.

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37 Ms. Price replied that it would be a tentative millage rate.

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39 Mr. White explained that a millage rate could not be set that early.

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41 Mr. Braun inquired if the tentative millage rate would constitute the floor of the final
42 millage.

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44 Mr. White answered that the Florida Statutes would not allow the final millage process to
45 start at that period.

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1 Ms. Price related that in the previous year, this meeting was used to give the Lake County
2 Property Appraiser a tentative millage rate for the Truth in Millage (TRIM) notices.

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4 Mr. White explained that the Florida Statute did not require a tentative millage rate to be
5 set because it would still be advertised at the full millage rate of 1.00 mills; however, the
6 trustees had taken the stance to provide one.

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8 Mr. Hurley recalled that the previous year, the Board had set a tentative millage rate and
9 had been told that once a tentative millage rate was set, the amount could be lowered but
10 not raised.

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12 Mr. Kirste stated that this was the position of the Board; however, there was a difference
13 of opinion of whether or not this could transpire, and that they were going to educate the
14 Board about not setting any type of millage rate.

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16 Mr. White indicated that this was correct, and said that they would explore this prior to the
17 May 2024 NLCHD meeting. He relayed his understanding that the millage could be
18 discussed and a number could be chosen; however, the amount could still move up or down
19 at that point, noting that the amount which could only move down would be set at a later
20 meeting.

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22 Mr. Braun commented that this would be fine; however, he opined that if the Board was
23 planning to set a millage rate that could not be raised, the providers should have an
24 opportunity to present information on what their needs were. He noted that the in the
25 previous year, a floor was set early before any information was shared by the providers,
26 and that he would like the opportunity to present his information at the May 2024 NLCHD
27 meeting even though it would not be as complete as it would be in August 2024 because
28 they would not be far enough into the year.

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30 Ms. Price mentioned that the May 2024 NLCHD meeting was not a funding request
31 meeting; however, she opined that the providers could have five minutes each to give the
32 Board a basic idea of their needs.

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34 Mr. White questioned if the Board wanted them to reach out to the other organizations and
35 ask them to prepare or be present for the presentations.

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37 Ms. Price indicated her approval; however, she opined that the presentations should be
38 limited, such as a verbal presentation with no graphics taking about five minutes or less.
39 She stated that she did not want to spend much time for a special meeting because the
40 August 2024 NLCHD meeting was for the presentation of funding requests.

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42 Mr. White commented that the funding requests meeting was required to be advertised, and
43 that he would check to see if the May 2024 NLCHD meeting would need to advertised,
44 ensuring that any organization wanting to participate would be aware of the meeting, and
45 noted that they would advertise as needed.

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1 Ms. Price opined that it should not be for funding requests but instead for updates on their
2 current financial status.

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4 Mr. White inquired if the Board just wanted an update on the current year and their
5 projections for the coming year.

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7 Ms. Price said that this was correct. She questioned if Mr. Braun was amicable with that,
8 and Mr. Braun indicated that he was.

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10 There being no one else who wished to address the Board, the Chairman closed the floor
11 for public comment.

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13 Ms. Hooper asked if there would be an outline of what was going to happen, and if she
14 could bring a recorder to record the meeting so she could take notes.

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16 Ms. Kirste remarked that they would not have an outline before May 2024; however, they
17 would ask all the entities, clinics, and hospitals to give a short presentation about what their
18 current status was and what their future needs might be. She related that the meeting would
19 be recorded, and that when the minutes were prepared, they could be sent to the Board to
20 review between the May and August 2024 NLCHD meetings.

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22 Mr. White added that they could possibly have a draft of the December 31, 2023 and the
23 March 31, 2024 quarterly agreed upon procedures from MSL, which could be approved
24 for reimbursement.

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26 Ms. Price opined that this was a good compromise allowing the entities to give their
27 presentations for their needs, and noted that it was not a funding request meeting. She
28 opined that it was a good time to have an in-between meeting, and that they could be better
29 prepared in August 2024. She mentioned that it would cost more in advertising fees;
30 however, she opined that it would be good for the taxpayers hear the discussions in a public
31 meeting and give input.

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33 ADJOURNMENT

34 The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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Barbara Price, Chairman

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