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**Meeting Location**

Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust Pavilion  
2609 East Roosevelt Street  
Phoenix, Arizona 85008  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Board Room

**RESULTS – General Session Meeting**

**Maricopa County Special Health Care District  
Board of Directors**

**Mission Statement**

The Valleywise Health's mission is to provide exceptional care, without exception, every patient, every time.

**Welcome**

The Board of Directors is the governing body for the Maricopa County Special Health Care District. Each member represents one of the five districts in Maricopa County. Members of the Board are public officials, elected by the voters of Maricopa County. The Board of Directors sets policy and the President & Chief Executive Officer, who is hired by the Board, directs staff to carry out the policies.

**How Citizens Can Participate**

Each meeting is open to the public and there is a "Call to the Public" at the beginning of each meeting. An individual may address the Board of Directors at this time or when the agenda item to be addressed is reached. If you wish to address the Board, please complete a Request to Speak form Speaker's Slip and deliver it to the Clerk of the Board prior to the Call to the Public. If you have anything that you wish distributed to the Board and included in the official record, please hand it to the Clerk who will distribute the information to the Board members and Valleywise Health Senior Staff.

Speakers will be called in the order in which requests to speak are received. Your name will be called when the Call to the Public has been opened or when the Board reaches the agenda item which you wish to speak. As mandated by the Arizona Open Meeting Law, officials may not discuss items not on the agenda, but may direct staff to follow-up with the citizen.

**Public Rules of Conduct**

The Board Chair shall keep control of the meeting and require the speakers and audience to refrain from abusive or profane remarks, disruptive outbursts, applause, protests, or other conduct which disrupts or interferes with the orderly conduct of the business of the meeting. Personal attacks on Board members, staff, or members of the public are not allowed. It is inappropriate to utilize the Call to the Public or other agenda item for purposes of making political speeches, including threats of political action. Engaging in such conduct and failing to cease such conduct upon request of the Board Chair will be grounds for ending a speaker's time at the podium or for removal of any disruptive person from the meeting room, at the direction of the Board Chair.

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• Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust Pavilion •  
• 2609 East Roosevelt Street • Phoenix, Arizona 85008 •  
• 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Board Room •

Wednesday, February 25, 2026  
1:00 p.m.

Access to the meeting room will start at 12:50 p.m., 10 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

One or more members of the Board of Directors of the Maricopa County Special Health Care District may be in attendance by technological means. Board members attending by technological means will be announced at the meeting.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), or any applicable and relevant state or federal law, the Board may vote to recess into an Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Board's attorney or attorneys on any matter listed on the agenda. The Board also may wish to discuss any items listed for Executive Session discussion in General Session, or the Board may wish to take action in General Session on any items listed for discussion in Executive Session. To do so, the Board will recess Executive Session on any particular item and reconvene General Session to discuss that item or to take action on such item.

**Please silence any cell phone, computer, etc., to minimize disruption of the meeting.**

### **Call to Order**

### **Roll Call**

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Call to the Public**

*This is the time for the public to comment. The Board of Directors may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(I), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling a matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.*

## **ITEMS MAY BE DISCUSSED IN A DIFFERENT SEQUENCE**

## **THE TIME ALLOCATIONS FOR EACH DISCUSSION ARE APPROXIMATE**

### **General Session, Presentation, Discussion and Action:**

1. **Approval of Consent Agenda: 5 min**  
*Note: Approval of contracts, minutes, IGA's, proclamations, etc. Any matter on the Consent Agenda will be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed as a regular agenda item upon the request of any Board member.*
  - a. **Minutes:**
    - i. **Approve** Maricopa County Special Health Care District Board of Directors meeting minutes dated January 26, 2026  
*Melanie Talbot, Chief Governance Officer; and Clerk of the Board*
    - ii. **Approve** Maricopa County Special Health Care District Board of Directors meeting minutes dated January 28, 2026  
*Melanie Talbot, Chief Governance Officer; and Clerk of the Board*

**General Session, Presentation, Discussion and Action, cont.:**

1. Approval of Consent Agenda, cont.

b. Contracts:

- i. **Approve** a new facility participation agreement (MCO-26-003-MSA) between UnitedHealthcare Community Plan and Maricopa County Special Health Care District dba Valleywise Health, for the provision of comprehensive healthcare services  
*Renee Clarke, MBA, Senior Vice President, Managed Care*
- ii. **Approve** Amended and Restated Statement of Work #1 - Hospital Based Services, for Master Services Agreement (90-26-172-1) between Maricopa County Special Health Care District dba Valleywise Health, and District Medical Group, effective March 1, 2026  
*Claire Agnew, CPA, MBA, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer*
- iii. **Approve** a new lease agreement (90-26-078-1) between District Medical Group (DMG) and Maricopa County Special Health Care District dba Valleywise Health, for all office space occupied by DMG in Valleywise Health locations  
*Jori Davis, MBA, Vice President, Support Services*

c. Governance:

- i. **Approve** Valleywise Health Foundation's donor recognition requests  
*Lisa Hartsock, MPH, CFRE, Senior Vice President, Chief Executive Officer, Valleywise Health Foundation*
- ii. **Approve** the appointment of Tina Babenko as Valleywise Health's Chief Compliance Officer, effective February 23, 2026 – **No Handout**  
*Steve A. Purves, FACHE, President & Chief Executive Officer*
- iii. **Approve** the appointment of Warren Whitney as Valleywise Health's Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer, effective March 2, 2026 – **No Handout**  
*Steve A. Purves, FACHE, President & Chief Executive Officer*
- iv. **Approve** revisions to Policy # 06503 S, HRSA Legislative Mandate Compliance Policy  
*Michelle Barker, DHSc, Senior Vice President Ambulatory Services; and Chief Executive Officer Federally Qualified Health Centers*
- v. **Approve** Policy # 01768 S, HRSA Hyde Amendment Policy  
*Michelle Barker, DHSc, Senior Vice President Ambulatory Services; and Chief Executive Officer Federally Qualified Health Centers*
- vi. **Approve** a no objection letter to the proposed property tax reclassification of real and personal property of DSV, Inc., and Proposed Usage-Driven Site Foreign Trade Zone Designation  
*Warren Whitney, MBA, Senior Vice President, Government Relations*

d. Medical Staff:

- i. **Approve** Valleywise Health's Medical Staff credentials for February 2026  
*Alexzandra Hollingworth, MD, Chief of Staff*

**General Session, Presentation, Discussion and Action, cont.:**

1. Approval of Consent Agenda, cont.

d. Medical Staff, cont.:

- ii. **Approve** Valleywise Health's Advanced Practice Clinician/Allied Health Professional Staff credentials for February 2026  
*Alexzandra Hollingworth, MD, Chief of Staff*
- iii. **Approve** revisions to the Medical Staff Credentials Policy (#39020 T)  
*Alexzandra Hollingworth, MD, Chief of Staff*
- iv. **Approve** revisions to the Operational Credentialing Policy (#39026 T)  
*Alexzandra Hollingworth, MD, Chief of Staff*
- v. **Approve** revisions to Global Laser Privileges  
*Alexzandra Hollingworth, MD, Chief of Staff*
- vi. **Approve** revisions to Department of OB/GYN and Women's Health Privileges  
*Alexzandra Hollingworth, MD, Chief of Staff*
- vii. **Approve** Department of Surgery – Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Privileges  
*Alexzandra Hollingworth, MD, Chief of Staff*
- viii. **Approve** revisions to Department of Surgery – General Surgery/Trauma Surgery Nurse Practitioner Privileges and Practice Prerogatives  
*Alexzandra Hollingworth, MD, Chief of Staff*

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**DIRECTOR THOMAS MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. VICE CHAIRMAN WILCOX SECONDED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

2. Discuss Future Board of Directors Retreat 10 min – No Handout  
*Board of Directors*

**THIS ITEM WAS DISCUSSED.**

3. Discussion and **Possible Action** on Valleywise Health's 2026 Legislative Agenda and/or the Maricopa County Special Health Care District's position regarding proposed State and Federal Legislative Items 10 min  
*John MacDonald, Policy AZ, LLC*

**DIRECTOR THOMAS MOVED TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO SUPPORT SENATE BILL 1113, SERVICE OF PROCESS; EVALUATION AGENCIES, IF AMENDED; AND OPPOSE HCR 2056, MEDICAL MANDATES; RIGHTS TO REFUSE, AND HOUSE BILL 2404, STRIKE EVERYTHING AMENDMENT NOW MENTAL HEALTH PATIENT TRANSPORT; PEACE OFFICER PROHIBITED. VICE CHAIRMAN WILCOX SECONDED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**General Session, Presentation, Discussion and Action, cont.:**

4. Discuss, Review and **Approve** Resolution No. 2026-2-25-001, Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures with Proceeds of General Obligation Bonds, authorizing the District to reimburse itself from future general obligation bond proceeds for capital project costs incurred before the bonds are issued **5 min**  
*Claire Agnew, CPA, MBA, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer*

**DIRECTOR THOMAS MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2026-2-25-001, A DECLARATION OF OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES WITH PROCEEDS OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT TO REIMBURSE ITSELF FROM FUTURE GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROCEEDS FOR CAPITAL PROJECT COSTS INCURRED BEFORE THE BONDS WERE ISSUED. VICE CHAIRMAN WILCOX SECONDED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

5. Discuss, Review and **Approve** Resolution No. 2026-2-25-002, Authorizing and Providing for the Optional Redemption of All or a Portion of the Maricopa County Special Health Care District Tax Anticipation Note, Series 2025, authorizing early optional redemption of all or part of the District's 2025 Tax Anticipation Note to reduce interest costs and efficiently use pledged tax levy proceeds **5 min**  
*Claire Agnew, CPA, MBA, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer*

**DIRECTOR THOMAS MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2026-2-25-002, AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE OPTIONAL REDEMPTION OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE MARICOPA COUNTY SPECIAL HEALTH CARE DISTRICT TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE, SERIES 2025, AUTHORIZING EARLY OPTIONAL REDEMPTION OF ALL OR PART OF THE DISTRICT'S 2025 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE TO REDUCE INTEREST COSTS AND EFFICIENTLY USE OF PLEDGED TAX LEVY PROCEEDS. VICE CHAIRMAN WILCOX SECONDED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

6. Discuss and Review Valleywise Health's January 2026 Financials and Statistical Information **15 min**  
*Claire Agnew, CPA, MBA, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer*

**THIS ITEM WAS DISCUSSED.**

7. Discuss and Review the Quarterly Quality Report and Metrics Dashboard, including but not limited to Patient Safety and Patient Experience Scores **10 min**  
*Crystal Garcia, MBA/HCM, RN, Vice President, Specialty Services, Quality and Patient Safety*

**THIS ITEM WAS DISCUSSED.**

8. Discuss Roosevelt Campus Demolition Project Update **10 min**  
*Jori Davis, MBA, Vice President, Support Services*

**THIS ITEM WAS DISCUSSED.**

9. Reports to the Board of Directors: **5 min**
  - a. Quarterly Quality Management Council Meeting Minutes (November 2025)  
*Crystal Garcia, MBA/HCM, RN, Vice President, Specialty Services, Quality and Patient Safety*

**THIS ITEM WAS DISCUSSED.**

**General Session, Presentation, Discussion and Action, cont.:**

10. Closing Comments 5 min – No Handout
  - a. Chairman and Board Members
  - b. President and Chief Executive Officer Summary of Current Events

**THIS ITEM WAS DISCUSSED.**

**Adjourn**

**DIRECTOR THOMAS MOVED TO ADJOURN THE FEBRUARY 25, 2026 MARICOPA COUNTY SPECIAL HEALTH CARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS GENERAL SESSION MEETING. VICE CHAIRMAN WILCOX SECONDED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**