

MINUTES

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(or upon adjournment of the California Educational Facilities Authority meeting)

OPEN SESSION

Deputy Treasurer Khaim Morton, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:05 P.M.

The Secretary announced to the public joining in by phone the instructions for being heard.

Item #1

Roll Call

Members Present: Khaim Morton for Fiona Ma, State Treasurer
David Oppenheim for Malia M. Cohen, State Controller
Chris Ferguson for Joe Stephenshaw, Director of Finance
Robert Cherry, M.D.
Robert Hertzka, M.D.
Katrina Kalvoda (via teleconference)

Members Absent: Antonio Benjamin
Francisco Silva
Keri Kropke, M.A., M.A., CCC-SLP

Staff Present: Carolyn Aboubechara, Executive Director
Bianca Smith, Deputy Executive Director
Rana Mayers, Associate Governmental Program Analyst
Tyler Bui, Associate Governmental Program Analyst
Ashley Etter, Associate Governmental Program Analyst
Eman Hariri, Associate Governmental Program Analyst

Chair Morton reminded virtual attendees to mute their microphones until their respective turn to speak and requested all attendees to state their names for the record.

Member Kalvoda confirmed that no one over the age of 18 was in the room with them.

Chair Morton asked the Authority members if there were any changes or edits to the minutes.

Authority Action

MOTION: Member Oppenheim SECOND: Member Cherry

NOES:.....NONE

ABSTAIN:Member Kalvoda

RECUSE:NONE

MOTION APPROVED.

Distressed Hospital Loan Program (the Program) Update

Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program (Dental Program) Update

Other Items

Member Oppenheim extended his congratulations for preserving important Dental Program funds.

Chair Morton asked if there were any additional questions or public comment; there were none.

Item #4**South Central Family Health Center (the Center),
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County
Healthcare Expansion Loan Program II (HELP II)
Resolution No. HII-357 (Action Item)**

Staff Member Mayers reported that the Center requested a HELP II loan in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000. Loan proceeds would be used to renovate a facility purchased in September 2023 to expand services to the working poor, the uninsured population of South Los Angeles and increase capacity.

Attendees: (via teleconference) Genevieve Filmardirossian, Chief Executive Officer and Paul Ramos, Chief Financial Officer, South Central Family Health Center.

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Filmardirossian thanked the board, gave a brief history of the Center and the services it provides, and gave an overview of the Center's renovation project.

Member Cherry asked how many dental chairs were available in the facility and how many more would be created. CEO Filmardirossian explained that the Center would increase its capacity as well as offer its usual services. Chief Financial Officer Ramos clarified that there were currently four dental chairs and three more chairs would be added during the renovation.

Chair Morton asked if there were any additional questions or public comment; there were none.

Authority Action

Motion to approve Resolution No. HII-357 in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the Center for the HELP II Loan Financing Program, subject to the terms and conditions in the resolution.

MOTION: Member Ferguson

SECOND: Member Cherry

AYES:Members: Kalvoda, Hertzka, Cherry, Ferguson, Oppenheim, Morton

NOES:NONE

ABSTAIN:NONE

RECUSE:NONE

MOTION APPROVED.

Item #5**Dientes Community Dental Care (Dientes),
Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County
HELP II
Resolution No. HII-358 (Action Item)**

Staff Member Bui explained corrections to the staff report being presented due to Dientes' existing outstanding HELP II loan. Dientes initially requested \$1,165,000, which would have exceeded CHFFA's \$2 million maximum outstanding loan amount requirement due to Dientes currently having another outstanding HELP II loan in the amount of \$874,253 that was approved in January 2021. Staff Member Bui mentioned the loan amount was adjusted to reflect accordingly as well as other numbers in the staff report that were affected by the change in loan amount. Staff Member Bui reported that Dientes requested a HELP II loan in an amount not to exceed \$1,125,747. Loan proceeds would be used to renovate Dientes' 5,541 square-foot main clinic located in Santa Cruz County.

Attendees: (via teleconference) Laura Marcus, Chief Executive Officer and Sheree Storm, Chief Strategy Officer, Dientes Community Dental Care.

Chief Strategy Officer Storm thanked the board and gave an overview of the renovation project.

Chair Morton asked staff to look into whether other HELP II dental organizations have apprenticeship programs to see if they are collaborating with labor agencies and see if the State Treasurer's Office can facilitate in any way.

Chair Morton asked if there were any additional questions or public comment; there were none.

Authority Action

Motion to approve Resolution No. HII-358 in an amount not to exceed \$1,125,747 for the Center for the HELP II Loan Financing Program, subject to the terms and conditions in the resolution.

MOTION: Member Hertzka

SECOND: Member Cherry

AYES:Members: Kalvoda, Hertzka, Cherry, Ferguson, Oppenheim, Morton

NOES:NONE

ABSTAIN:NONE

RECUSE:NONE

MOTION APPROVED.

Item #6

**Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program
Amendment to Resolution No. 2023-04 (Action Item)**

Staff Member Etter reported that Authority staff recommended an amendment to the Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program (Dental Program) guidelines. The current guidelines established a process whereby two analysts would score each application. It was determined that the process would be inefficient given that the Grants Unit was short-staffed, and the Authority received an unprecedented 100 applications for the Dental Program during the first funding round. Due to the high volume of applications, Authority staff recommended amending the guidelines to allow each application to be scored by one reviewer, and the score would be validated by a grant committee. A definition of a grant committee was added to the Dental Program guidelines, specifying that the committee shall consist of a minimum of two Authority staff, one of whom shall be in a managerial position, and a third individual acting as the technical advisor to the Dental Program.

Attendees: (via teleconference) Mary McCune, Executive Director, California Dental Association Foundation.

Executive Director McCune expressed support for the amendment and gave an overview of the initial application review process.

Member Cherry stated support for the amendment and suggested the change could be used as a framework for other grant application review processes.

Chair Morton asked if there were any additional questions or public comment; there were none.

Authority Action

Motion to approve an Amendment to Resolution No. 2023-04, amending the guidelines for the Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program.

MOTION: Member Hertzka

SECOND: Member Cherry

AYES:Members: Kalvoda, Hertzka, Cherry, Ferguson, Oppenheim, Morton

NOES:NONE

ABSTAIN:NONE

RECUSE:NONE

MOTION APPROVED.

**Item #7 County of Los Angeles Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program
(First Funding Round) Quarterly Update
Resolution No. MH 2014-06 (Information Item)**

Staff Member Hariri reported that the Authority approved a reinstatement of and an amendment to resolution number MH 2014-06 for the County of Los Angeles (County) under the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program for approximately \$40,900,000 to create Crisis Residential Treatment Programs (CRTPs), to expand a crisis stabilization unit, to establish mobile support teams, and to hire one clerical staff. Staff Member Hariri reported the Authority required the County to provide quarterly updates detailing milestones achieved, progress and challenges related to the completion of the projects.

Staff Member Hariri reported that on February 29, 2024, the Authority approved an eighth amendment to the resolution, which extended the open and operational milestone and extended the grant period and resolution expiration date to March 31, 2025. The last quarterly update was presented to the Authority on January 27, 2024.

Staff member Hariri reported that 12 of the 15 CRTPs were open and operational, and the three remaining CRTPs were currently on track of being open and operational on or before the December 31, 2024 milestone condition deadline.

Attendees: (via teleconference) Jo Ann Yanagimoto-Pinedo, Deputy Director of Strategic Initiatives, County of Los Angeles, Department of Health Services.

Deputy Director Yanagimoto-Pinedo reported that the last CRTP at the Olive View campus opened June 28, 2024, and clients were being served. On July 1, 2024, the County executed a service provider contract with Exodus to operate the last CRTP on the LAC+USC campus, and there were no foreseen delays in obtaining licensing and certification. The Rancho Los Amigos campus was experiencing Information Technology issues, but the completion date was projected for the end of August 2024. The Olive View campus was expected to receive Medi-Cal certification in early August 2024 and was projected to be open and operational in September 2024.

Chair Morton asked if there were any questions or public comment; there were none.

Items #8 and #9 Public Comment and Adjournment

Chair Morton asked for public comment. Hearing none, the meeting adjourned at 2:37pm.