

**Soledad Community Health Care District  
Special Meeting of the Board of Directors  
January 13, 2023 @ 8:30 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Graig Stephens, President, called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.**

**ROLLCALL**

**Members Present: Graig Stephens, Maggie Campa, Rosemary Guidotti, Anne Trebino, and Michael Schell.**

**Members Excused: None**

**Others Present: Ida Lopez Chan CEO, Brent Green, C.P.A., and Sophie Piña, District Recording Secretary.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Graig led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MISSION STATEMENT** – Rosemary read the Mission Statement.

**PRESIDENT'S WELCOME** – Graig welcomed everyone to the meeting. Graig stated to the board that given the current financial situation the district is currently experiencing, he suggest to Mrs. Chan that a special meeting be called to review the current financial situation of each operation. Graig stated he wanted to ensure the board had sufficient time to hear the report and have questions answered.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – A member of the public participated.

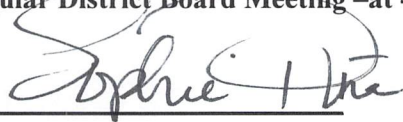
- **Wes White a Salinas Monterey County Enthusiast commented to the board a concern. Mr. White was upset with the fact that he could not record the board meeting. He promotes transparency and accountability and hopes the district will re-consider their policy**

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Brent presented the Financial Statements for review for Operating Entities and the District for June 2020-November 2022. After Brents report Graig reported that Mr. Schell emailed him a list of concerns. To avoid a Brown Act Violation, Graig did not share the email with other members of the board. Graig asked the board's permission to request that Ida, review the list of concerns, address those concerns over time during regular or closed meetings, depending on the subject. Graig stated that he wanted everyone to hear the same things and be able to ask and get questions answered at the same time. As part of the request, Graig wanted and limited number of concerns addressed at a time so issues can be resolved efficiently. No one objected to that request, so that was taken as a formal request from the Board. Graig reported he received an email from our attorney addressed to Mr. Schell and copied to him. Graig indicated to Mr. Schell he was incurring legal fees in the name of the board without authorization. Mrs. Guidotti asked Mr. Schell if he understood the costs he was incurring. Mr. Schell stated that he understood the board's position and that he would stop emailing the attorney and incurring costs to the District without authorization. Graig also reported to the board he received an email from Mr. Schell concerning board business and that it appeared Mr. Schell had copied the email to other board members. At this point, Mr. Schell admitted he had sent the email to every board member. Graig wanted to publicly state this appeared to be a violation of the Brown Act and that he nor any of the board members asked or wanted to be included in what appeared to be a violation of the Brown Act. Graig then cautioned Mr. Schell about this and explained that since Mr. Schell communicated with three or more board members at one time on District business he appeared to create an illegal quorum, which is a violation of the Brown Act.

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**ADJOURNMENT TO THE NEXT MEETING** – The board will reconvene on Thursday, January 26, 2023 for a Regular District Board Meeting –at 4:00p.m. Mr. Stephens adjourned the meeting @ 9:33a.m.

Prepared By:



Approved By:

