



Taos Health Systems

A RESOLUTION REGARDING GOVERNING BODY MEETINGS AND PUBLIC NOTICE

September 23, 2015

WHEREAS, Taos Health Systems is a not-for-profit 501c3 corporation that owns and operates a number of inpatient and outpatient healthcare services in Taos County, including Holy Cross Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Taos Health Systems is not bound by Section 10-15-1(B) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, NMSA 1978 as amended; and

WHEREAS, Taos Health Systems desires to openly communicate with the communities that it serves and provide ample opportunity for input and expression of opinions; and

WHEREAS, the Taos Health Systems Board desires to post reasonable public notices of meetings at which the discussion and/or adoption of any proposed resolution, regulation or formal action occurs; and

WHEREAS, the Taos Health Systems Board shall determine annually what constitutes reasonable notice of its public meetings;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Taos Health Systems Board that:

1. Except as otherwise noted, all Board meetings shall be held at the Holy Cross Hospital Board Room, 1397 Weimer Road, Taos, NM at 6:00 pm., or as indicated in the meeting notice.
2. Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings shall be held each month on the fourth Wednesday with the exception of the combined November and December meetings. The agenda will be available at least forty eight (48) hours prior to the meeting from the Taos Health Systems website; www.taoshospital.org. Notice of any other regular meetings will be given three (3) days in advance of the meeting date. The notice shall indicate how a copy of the agenda may be obtained.
3. Special meetings may be called by the Board Chairperson or at the request of three (3) Board members three (3) days' notice prior to the meeting. The notice shall include an agenda for the meeting or information on how the public may obtain a copy of the agenda from the Taos Health Systems website; www.taoshospital.org. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four (24) hours before any special meeting.
4. Emergency meetings will be called only under unforeseen circumstances which demand immediate action to protect the health, safety and property of Taos Health Systems or to protect the organization from substantial financial loss. Taos Health Systems will avoid emergency meetings whenever possible. Emergency meetings may be called by the Board Chairperson or the CEO upon eight (8) hours' notice, unless threat of personal injury or

property damage requires less notice. The notice for all emergency meetings shall include an agenda for the meeting or information on how the public may obtain a copy of the agenda from the Taos Health Systems website; www.taoshospital.org.

5. In addition to the regular meetings of the Taos Health Systems Board, there are briefings, education, and planning meetings at which no Board action will be taken, and are held principally as information and study sessions. When these meetings are scheduled notice will be provided but these meetings are typically not open to the public.
6. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Resolution, the Board Chairperson or Board may establish such additional notice requirements as may be deemed proper and advisable to comply with the desire to openly communicate with the community.
7. If any meeting or portion of a meeting is closed (executive session), such closed meetings or portions of meetings shall not be held until public notice, appropriate under the circumstances, has been given. In addition, such notice shall state the exclusion or exclusions under which such closed meeting is taking place.

Passed, Adopted and Approved by the Taos Health Systems Board September 23, 2015



Stuart Hamilton, Secretary



Date