MINUTES OF MEETING

LIFEPATH SYSTEMS BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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7304 Alma Drive, Plano , Texas – Guadalupe Meeting Room

APRIL 24, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT		**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**	
Dona Watson Arthur Cotten Matt Duncan Matt Foster Doug Kowalski	Rick Crawford Ernest Myers Melvin Thathiah Candice Herron	Tammy Mahan Pete Kabira Brent Phillips-Broadrick Keyanta Gaddy	Diann Gregg Jennifer Morgan Danielle Sneed

Quorum Establishment and Call to Order: A quorum was established, and the meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Doug Kowalski, Chair of LifePath Systems Board of Trustees.

010425- Consent Agenda

Doug Kowalski requested comments or concerns regarding items within the Consent Agenda. There being none,

MOTION: Ernest Myers moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Dona Watson seconded the motion. The vote to accept the Consent Agenda was unanimous.

020425 - Public Input and Partner Organizations

a) **Public Commentary**: Doug Kowalski called for public comments. No comments were offered.
b) **LifePath Foundation Monthly Update:** Keyanta Gaddy, Director of Development, reported. A *Celebrate to Elevate* video was presented showing the highlights of the fundraiser, held April 12. Keyanta noted the Foundation received $38k from 25 sponsors, $18k in-kind donations, and 155 people attended the event. The total funds raised will be available soon. Keyanta encouraged participation in *Shake Shack*'s commitment to donate 25% of purchases on April 28. *Kendra Scott* in Watters Creek is dedicating 20% of sales to LifePath Foundation on May 2.

030425 - CEO Report

Tammy Mahan announced the addition of a new board member, Dan Reiss, commissioned by the County on April 21. Mr. Reiss also serves on the LifePath Foundation Board, and he will be joining next month's board meeting after his board orientation is completed.

Tammy has received communications regarding COVID-related federal funds discontinued. Additionally, the Department of Justice Grant to fund a co-responder program in partnership with the Plano Police Department was terminated on April 22. LifePath is expecting cuts to Medicaid funds due to the federal government's plan to cut $880 billion over the next 10 years.

040425– Committee Reports and Action Items: Doug Kowalski called for Committee reports.

a) **Budget and Finance Committee:** Matt Duncan, Committee Chair, reported the Committee met to review the March year-to-date financials. The Committee also reviewed the Meadows Foundation Grant Budget funding for the IDD Apprenticeship Program.

   i. **MOTION:** The Committee recommended acceptance of the Meadows Foundation Grant Budget as submitted to the Board. The vote resulted in unanimous approval.

b) **Facilities Committee:** Ernest Myers, Chair, gave an update on the status of the Bloomdale construction project. The completion date was delayed due to elevator installation set back and City requirement indicating landscaping must be completed prior to allowing occupancy. The Sherman office staff will move out of their leased space by September 30. A date for the ribbon cutting and open house will be set and the board will be advised by the next board meeting.

c) **Compliance and Quality Assurance Committee:** Melvin Thathiah, Chair, reported the Committee did not meet this month.

d) **Human Resources:** Dona Watson, Committee Chair. No report.

e) **Programs and Communications Committee:** Ernest Myers reported the Program Directors submitted their monthly dashboards for Committee review. No additional information to report.

f) **Technology Committee:** No report.

g) **Legislative Committee and Texas Council Report:** Rick Crawford, Board Legislative Liaison, provided an update on activities of the 89th Legislature and potential effects on Center services.

050425 - Chairman's Report

a) Announcements and Upcoming Events: Doug Kowalski called for further announcements and reminded the members to refer to the Board calendar located in their meeting packet. The next Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for May 29 in McKinney.

b) New Business: none

060425 - Adjournment: There being no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Dona Watson and seconded by Melvin Thathiah. The vote to adjourn at 8:00 pm was unanimous.

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Arthur Cotten, Board Secretary Date