MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
MEETING MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
October 7, 2026
Trinity Community Health Clinic
Weaverville CA

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS

JENNIFER RYAN FLINT	PAUL CATANESE	DERO FORSLUND	SHEREE BEANS	SARAH SHEETZ
Member	Vice President	President	Clerk	Member

Note: These minutes contain a description for each item to be considered. Supporting documentation is available in the public packet at the Board meeting or at the Administrative Office at Trinity Hospital.

District Board Members Present:
Dero Forslund, President
Jennifer Ryan Flint
Sarah Sheetz

District Board Members Absent:
Paul Catanese, Vice President
Sheree Beans, Clerk

Staff Present:
Aaron Rogers, CEO
Jennifer Van Matre, CFO
Elizabeth McGruder, CHRO
Belen Manybanseng, CNO
Vicky Williams, Director of Ancillary Services
Mikki Butler, Physical Therapy Manager
Scott Simpson, Quality Coordinator
Rebecca Glandon, Executive Assistant

8:30 AM CALLS MEETING TO ORDER IN OPEN SESSION

Report from Closed Session on September 2, 2026

Closed Session September 2, 2026

The Board entered into closed session at 09:19 am on the following:

- MEDICAL STAFF PRIVILEGES
  Government Code Section 54962; Health and Safety Code Section 1461

  Reappointments
  Derek Armfield, MD
  Michael Brand, MD

Michael Hepfer, MD
Martin Schwartz, MD
Marie Guthrie, FNP
Allen Morris, MD
Mahua Biswas, MD
Patrick Browning, MD
Arjun Ranade, MD
Benjamin Cramer, MD
Tikoes Blankenberg, MD
Sean Pitman, MD

Resignations
Sara Shams, MD
Alison Seders, CRNA
Jonathan Bloch, DO
Dean Moesche, MD

- PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
  Government Code Section 54957(b)
  Chief Executive Officer

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Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene in Public Session

The Board came out of Closed Session at 09:30 am and immediately reconvened in Open Session.

President Forslund reported that the Board reviewed the recommended actions on Medical Staff Privileges. For each applicant the following information has been reviewed and/or verified: Privilege List, NPDB Report, and AMA Profile, peer references and verifications of staff privileges at other facility and ongoing professional practice evaluations. Items verified were Liability Insurance Coverage, Licenses, Certifications, and the Medicare exclusion list was checked.

On a motion of Director Sheetz seconded by Director Ryan Flint approves the following reappointments to the Medical Staff and resignations.

Reappointments
Derek Armfield, MD
Michael Brand, MD
Michael Hepfer, MD
Martin Schwartz, MD
Marie Guthrie, FNP
Allen Morris, MD
Mahua Biswas, MD
Patrick Browning, MD
Arjun Ranade, MD
Benjamin Cramer, MD
Tikoes Blankenberg, MD
Sean Pitman, MD

Resignations
Sara Shams, MD
Alison Seders, CRNA
Jonathan Bloch, DO
Dean Moesche, MD

The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Ayes:	Dero Forslund; Jennifer Ryan Flint; Sarah Sheetz
Noes:	None
Absent:	Paul Catanese; Sheree Beans;
Abstain:	None

President Forslund reported that the Board completed the evaluation for the Chief Executive Officer.

President Forslund reported that the Board had no action taken on the evaluation for a member of the Medical Staff.

Public Input – none

Reports

Medical Staff Report
Received written report from Daniel Harwood, MD on the current issues regarding Medical Staff. Additional item discussed: We continue to have issues with the Teleradiology group, but the manager of the Diagnostic Imaging department, Wade Nakatani, is working hard to resolve these issues.

Chief Executive Officer
Received written/verbal report from Aaron Rogers, CEO on the current operations of the hospital. Additional item discussed: Our lobbyists are meeting at Trinity Hospital on October 21, 2026.

Chief Financial Officer
Received written/verbal report from Jennifer Van Matre, Chief Financial Officer, on the current financial status and current status of revenue cycle management and accounts receivable.

Chief Nursing Officer
Received written report from Belen Manybanseng, RN, CNO on the current status of the nursing departments.

Quality Improvement
Received written/verbal report from Scott Simpson, Quality Coordinator, on the current status of the quality program.

Information Technology
Received written report from Jake Odom, Chief Information Officer on the current status of the Information Technology Department.

Consent Agenda

Mountain Communities Healthcare District
Board of Directors Meeting
October 7, 2026
All matters listed under the Consent Agenda, are considered by the Board to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request for discussion is made prior to the time the Board votes on the motion to approve.

Director Sheetz requested the minutes from September 2, 2026 be pulled from the consent agenda due to a correction needed on page 5.

On motion of Director Sheetz seconded by Director Ryan Flint approves the following consent item:

b. Policies

The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes:	Dero Forslund; Jennifer Ryan Flint; Sarah Sheetz
Noes:	None
Absent:	Paul Catanese; Sheree Beans
Abstain:	None

Discussion Items

a. None

Action Items

a. Items removed from the Consent Agenda
Minutes from September 2, 2026

Board Reports

None

Close Public Session

The Board closed the public session at 09:03 am

Closed Session

The Board entered into closed session at 09:04 am on the following:

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)

- MEDICAL STAFF PRIVILEGES
Government Code Section 54962; Health and Safety Code Section 1461

Appointments
Serena Ackerman, CRNA
Peter Piampiano, MD
William Zinn, MD
Chimezie Amagwula, MD
Saif Siddiqi, MD

Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene in Public Session

The Board came out of Closed Session at 09:21 am and immediately reconvened in Open Session.

President Forslund reported that information was reviewed regarding anticipated litigation with no action.

President Forslund reported that the Board reviewed the recommended actions on Medical Staff Privileges. For each applicant the following information has been reviewed and/or verified: Privilege List, NPDB Report, and AMA Profile, peer references and verifications of staff privileges at other facility and ongoing professional practice evaluations. Items verified were Liability Insurance Coverage, Licenses, Certifications, and the Medicare exclusion list was checked.

On the motion of Director Ryan Flint seconded by Director Sheetz approves the following appointments to the Medical Staff:

Appointments
Serena Ackerman, CRNA
Peter Piampiano, MD
William Zinn, MD
Chimezie Amagwula, MD
Saif Siddiqi, MD

The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes:	Dero Forslund; Jennifer Ryan Flint; Sarah Sheetz
Noes:	None
Absent:	Paul Catanese; Sheree Beans;
Abstain:	None

Adjourn
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 09:22 am.

Sheree Beans, Clerk of the Board
Mountain Communities Healthcare District