

**Soledad Community Health Care District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
August 20, 2026 @ 4:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

1. Call to order at 4:01 p.m. by President, Graig Stephens

2. Board of Directors Roll Call.

Directors Present: Vice President, Anne Trebino
Secretary, Rosemary Guidotti
Treasurer, Ken Klemme
Board Member, Francisco Barajas (*late 4:02p.m.*)
President, Graig Stephens

Directors Absent:

Staff Present: CEO, Ida Lopez Chan
District Recording Secretary, Sophie Piña
Director of Communications, Adrianna Gonzalez
Business Office Clerk, Maria Estrada
Administrator, Brian Weaver

District CPA: Brent Green (*Absent*)

We have a Quorum

3. Pledge of Allegiance: Graig Stephens

4. Mission Statement: Rosemary Guidotti

5. President's Welcome: Graig Stephens welcomed everyone to the meeting.

6. Public Comment – During Public Comment, a petition concerning the decertification of SEIU 2015 was presented to the district. The petition, dated August 19, 2026, was submitted on behalf of employees within the established bargaining unit currently represented by SEIU 2015 and requested a secret-ballot election. The petition stated that written proof of support from at least 30% of eligible employees in the bargaining unit was included and requested that the district process the petition in accordance with the applicable Employer-Employee Relations Resolution procedures. Lorena Garcia, CNA, was identified as the employee petitioner. Supporting documentation was also presented, with approximately 19 employees listed.

7. Consent Agenda -

Motion: The board motioned to approve Consent Items, A, B & C with Klemme abstaining from Consent Item B.

A. Regular Meeting Minutes of July 23, 2026

B. Special Meeting (Finance) Minutes of August 11, 2026.

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- C. Approval of closure of CD Account of West Coast Bank ending in 6382 due to maturity, and moving remaining proceeds into the Mechanics Money Market Account ending in 2590.

M/S: Klemme/Barajas

Ayes: All board members except Klemme on Consent Item B

Nays:

Abstain: Klemme – Consent Item B

Absent:

Motion: Passed

8. Adjournment to Closed Session –

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

(Government Code § 54957.6): The Board will meet with the CEO, Interim General Counsel, and District Negotiation Team members to discuss negotiations. Agency designated representatives: Dr. Ida Lopez Chan, David G. Ritchie, Charisma Amador. Employee organization: SEIU 2015

**B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation pursuant to Gov. Code 54956.9(d)(1)
Case Name: Unspecified – disclosure would jeopardize service of process**

C. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

(Government Code §54957(b)) Title: (Specify position title of employee being reviewed):
Dr. Ida Lopez Chan, Chief Executive Officer

9. Return to Open Session and report out from closed session, if any – There was no reportable action taken in closed session.

10. Treasurer's Report –

Motion: The board approved the Financial Statements for review for Operating Entities and the District.

M/S: Klemme/Barajas

Ayes: Trebino, Guidotti, Klemme, Barajas, Stephens

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent:

Motion: Passed

11. Monthly Budget Review – 2026-2027 – The board discussed and reviewed.

12. Regular Staff Reports –

Director of Communications – The Board reviewed Adriana's report. Board Member Trebino commended Adriana on the report and stated, "Great job".

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Foundation – Rosemary updated the board and let them know that the billboards should be up next month. She also mentioned the MCGives focus this year will be to raise funds for the Wheelchair Swing.

Eden Valley – Brian presented the July 2026 Census and Operations Report. The average daily census was 50.53 for July, compared to a year-to-date average of 47.48, with an overall occupancy rate of 82.07% for the month and 80.70% year-to-date. July admissions totaled 24, with 20 discharges, and there were two pending admissions. Referral sources included Salinas Valley Health, Natividad, CHOMP, and Mee Memorial. There were no facility-reported incidents, and no complaint visits resulting in deficiencies, county public health visits, or infectious disease outbreaks reported for the month. The facility maintained a CMS overall rating of four stars, including four stars for health inspections, three stars for quality measures, and three stars for staffing. Staff meetings included a CNA meeting on July 14 and a Licensed Nurses meeting on July 21.

Soledad Medical Clinic – Brian presented the July 2026 report. The clinic recorded 1,832 patient visits during the month, with OB services available on 16 of 22 working days. There were 223 no-shows, representing 10.9% of scheduled visits. Three patient grievances were reported through the Alliance. The clinic supported student training, including one Central Coast College MA student and one Center for Employment Training MA student who completed their clinical hours, as well as one ultrasound technician student completing an externship. Under the CCAH Care Based Incentives program, the clinic submitted 97 depression screenings, 13 controlled A1C results, and 13 controlled blood pressure readings. The mid-year Quality of Care Performance Report showed breast cancer screening performance in the 25th–49th percentile and colorectal cancer screening in the 50th–74th percentile, with all other quality measures above the 75th percentile. It was noted that the number of eligible members linked to the clinic has increased compared to the prior year. Staff activities included a Medical Assistant meeting, a front office meeting, and daily front office and MA huddles.

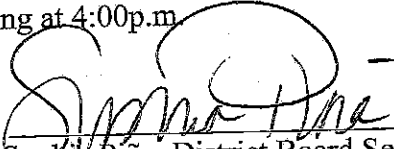
CEO – Ida provided an update on district activities and initiatives, noting continued progress in leadership recruitment, partnerships, employee engagement, technology upgrades, and capital planning. The district was reported to be in compliance with all applicable LAFCO and state requirements. Ida also met with LAFCO's new Executive Officer regarding potential future opportunities, including annexation. Community and legislative outreach efforts continue, including participation in regional healthcare forums, meetings with local and state representatives, and efforts to identify special project funding and other financial resources. The district continues to pursue debt restructuring and has provided its financial outlook to potential lenders. Additional efforts include outreach to the California Department of Health regarding potential loan forgiveness or deferment, exploration of grant and lending opportunities, and discussions with Monterey County Health Department regarding potential partnerships and leasing opportunities for the Women's Health Center. Ida reported continued efforts to improve clinic revenue and access, including updates to PPS, credentialing and enrollment, billing and collections, and the clinic master schedule. Behavioral health services were established in 2026, and midwife services were added in July, with additional provider recruitment underway. The district is also exploring opportunities to expand dental and vision services. The Women's Health Center obtained a National Provider Identifier and submitted its DHCS application on August 25, 2026. Ida noted that the DHCS and subsequent CMS approval process may take an extended period of time and is being actively monitored. Technology improvements are underway, including computer and system upgrades and implementation of the new Ring Central phone system.

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Eden Valley updates included new hires and employee anniversaries, continued therapy services, and the addition of four more wheelchairs. The district also continues its partnership with CCAH to provide mammography services, with screenings scheduled September through December for eligible women ages 40–74. The clinic has expanded online services to allow patients to request medication refills and medical records. Recruitment continues for additional clinical and laboratory staff. The district is also developing an emergency response plan and exploring the use of artificial intelligence and other technology to improve operations. The staff continues to remind the community of the importance of keeping scheduled appointments due to limited availability and continued concerns regarding no-shows. Ida concluded by highlighting ongoing meetings and outreach with community partners, healthcare organizations, legal counsel, consultants, and local organizations, with continued focus on strengthening partnerships, improving operations, and addressing the district's financial position.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:51 p.m. – The board will reconvene on September 17, 2026, for a Regular District Board Meeting at 4:00p.m.

Prepared By:


Sophie Piña, District Board Secretary

Approved By:


Craig Stephens, Board President