



**HARRIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING**

Thursday, February 24, 2005

Board Room – Administration Building

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. J. Evans Attwell, Chair
Mr. Stephen H. DonCarlos, Vice Chair
Ms. Carolyn Truesdell, Secretary
Dr. Daniel D. Louie, Asst. Sec.
Mr. Danny Jackson
Mr. Jim Lemond
Ms. Mary Spinks
Mr. E. Dale Wortham

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Elvin Franklin, Jr.

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. David Lopez, Interim President & Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Jack McCown, Harris County Purchasing Agent
Mr. Kelly Johnson, Harris County Purchasing
Attorney Mercedes Leal, County Attorney's Office
Mr. Mark Fury, Commissioner Steve Radack's Office
Ms. Catarina Cron, Judge Robert Eckels' Office
Mr. Francisco Sanchez, Judge Robert Eckels' Office
Ms. Alison Huff, Commissioner Jerry Eversole's Office
Ms. Gloria Moreno, Commissioner Sylvia Garcia's Office
Administrative Staff
Media
Guests
(Sign-in Sheets attached to permanent record)

I. Call to Order and Record of Attendance

Mr. J. Evans Attwell, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. and noted that a quorum was present. The attendance was recorded.

II. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion 05.2-70

Moved by Ms. Spinks, seconded by Mr. Jackson, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve the minutes of the January 27, 2005 regular meeting of the Board of Mangers as presented.

III. Recognition of Previous Chair of the Board

Mr. J. Evans Attwell, Chair, recognized and thanked Ms. Spinks for her tenure as Chair. Mr. Attwell read the proclamation that was presented to her along with a plaque.

IV. Hear From Citizens

Mr. Walter Protheroe, spoke regarding his treatment as a patient of the HCHD.

Ms. Nina Spiller spoke regarding parking at Quentin Mease Hospital.

Mr. Attwell called on Mr. Danny Jackson to present the agenda items related to purchasing.

V. Purchasing

The Fiscal Affairs Committee met on February 11, 2005 and brings forth the following items for approval:

A. (1). Purchasing Recommendations requiring Board Approval

a. **Motion 05.2-71**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve ratification of purchase/repair, made on an emergency basis, to Siemens Medical Solutions in the amount of \$203,009 for repair of Bi-plane Multistar Radiology System at Ben Taub General Hospital.

b. **Motion 05.2-72**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an exemption from the competitive bid requirements for an award to Baylor College of Medicine in the amount of \$100,000 to provide high risk OB and other ultrasound studies for the term February 27, 2005 through February 26, 2006 with two one-year renewal options.

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, that the Board approve an exemption from the competitive bid requirements for an award to Cardinal Health, Inc. in the estimated amount of \$2,000,000 to provide temporary

staffing of pharmacy professionals for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006 with one renewal option.

Mr. Lemond questioned why this qualified for an exemption from competitive bid requirements. Following much discussion, Mr. Lemond requested that purchasing revisit this item and bring back to the Board at a later date. Mr. Jack McCown suggested extending the current contract for 60 days while purchasing re-examines their process used for exemption from competitive bidding and then bring a recommendation to the Board for consideration. The motion was then amended to read:

c. **Motion 05.2-73**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve extending the current contract with Cardinal Health, Inc. for Temporary Staffing of Pharmacy Professionals for 60 days and then bring a recommendation to the Board for consideration.

d. **Motion 05.2-74**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve additional funding for Cardinal Health, Inc. in the estimated amount of \$200,000 for temporary staffing of pharmacy professionals for the term March 1, 2004 through February 28, 2005.

e. **Motion 05.2-75**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve additional funding for Quest Diagnostics in the estimated amount of \$231,223 to provide continuity of services for clinical reference lab testing not provided by the Hospital District for the term April 1, 2004 through March 31, 2005.

f. **Motion 05.2-76**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve additional funding and an extension for the following:

Smith & Nephew	\$600,000 (BT)	
DePuy	425,000 (BT)	
Zimmer	100,000 (BT)	\$75,000 (LBJ)

for a total estimated amount of \$1,200,000 to continue providing orthopedic implants and related services to Hospital District patients for the term February 1, 2005 through April 30, 2005.

g. **Motion 05.2-77**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve additional funding for the following:

Synthes	\$610,000 (BT)
	75,000 (LBJ)
Osteomed Corporation	93,000 (BT)
Walter Lorenze	278,000 (BT)
	75,000 (LBJ)

for a total estimated amount of \$1,131,000 to continue providing craniomaxillofacial implants and related products for patients of the Hospital District for the term July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005.

h. **Motion 05.2-78**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve utilization of the Group Purchasing Organization Premier Partners Contract, Motion No. 04.2-93 for an award to Standard Textile Co., Inc. through Cardinal Health 200 in the estimated amount of \$583,563 to continue to provide blankets, sheets, pillows and other textile products for patients for the term January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

i. **Motion 05.2-79**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an award, on the basis of most complete bid, to Diagnostic Products Corporation in the estimated amount of \$116,413 for Esoteric Chemistry Testing Analyzer and Reagents for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006 with four (4) one-year renewal options.

j. **Motion 05.2-80**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve utilization of

Group Purchasing Organization Partners Contract for an award, on the basis of best overall contract, to Phillips Medical Systems North America Company in the amount of \$128,589 for BV Pulsera Radiographic/Fluoroscopic Unit.

k. **Motion 05.2-81**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an award, on the basis of sole source, to PharMedium Services, L.L.C. in the estimated amount of \$550,000 for Analgesic and Pharmaceutical Admixtures for Patient Infusion Devices for the term February 21, 2005 through February 21, 2006.

l. **Motion 05.2-82**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve a purchase, on the basis of sole source, from GE Medical Systems an Upgrade to GE Magnetic Resonance Imaging Excite Unit (MRI) for Ben Taub General Hospital for the amount of \$421,901.

m. **Motion 05.2-83**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve to purchase, on the basis of sole source, from Philips Medical Systems N.A. a Sonos 7500 Imaging System Upgrade for Ben Taub General Hospital for the amount of \$160,615.

n. **Motion 05.2-84**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve to purchase, on the basis of sole source, from GE Medical Systems two (2) Diagnostic Workstation-5MPs (2 ea.) including hardware, software license and integration software for the amount of \$148,800 for the Radiology Department at Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital.

o. **Job 04/0436: Term Contract for Telephone and Data Cable (Class 5)**

This item was pulled in Fiscal Affairs Committee.

p. **Motion 05.2-85**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an award, on the basis of lowest price proposal meeting requirements, to Midwest Employers Casualty Co. through Alamo Insurance Group, Inc. in the estimated amount of \$234,809 for Excess Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2005 with no renewal options.

q. **Motion 05.2-86**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an award, on the basis of low bid meeting specifications per category and group to the attached vendors (Appendix "A") for an estimated amount of \$2,000,000 (Hospital District only) for Registered and State Certified Radiography Temporary Personnel for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006 with three (3) one-year renewal options.

r. **Motion 05.2-87**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an award, on the basis of low bid per category and group, to the attached vendors (Appendix "B") for an estimate amount of \$2,000,000 (Hospital District only) for Temporary Therapy Personnel for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006 with three (3) one-year renewal options.

s. **Motion 05.2-88**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an award, on the basis of low bid meeting specifications per category and group, to the attached vendors (Appendix "C") for an estimated amount of \$2,400,000 (Hospital District only) for various Healthcare Temporary Personnel for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006 with three (3) one-year renewal options.

t. **Motion 05.2-89**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve utilization of Group Purchasing Organization Premier Partners Contract for an award, on the basis of best bid meeting specification,

to Mannington Commercial Inc. through Quality Service Floor Covering (QSFC, Ltd.) in the amount of \$196,870 for Resilient Flooring for Ben Taub General Hospital for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

u. **Motion 05.2-90**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an exemption from the competitive bid requirements and renewal for an award to Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center in the estimated amount of \$3,030,000 for Blood Services and Components for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

v. **Motion 05.2-91**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an exemption from the competitive bid requirements and renewal for an award to The American National Red Cross in the estimated amount of \$2,075,340 for Blood Services and Components for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

w. **Motion 05.2-92**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve the first of four (4) renewal options to SimplexGrinnell in the estimated amount of \$126,772 for Maintenance and Services for Fire Alarm Systems for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

x. **Motion 05.2-93**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve the fourth of four (4) renewal options to SPI Healthcare Documentation (formally Med-Type, L.L.C.) in the estimated amount of \$285,000 for Medical Transcription Services (Radiology) for the term April 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006.

y. **Motion 05.2-94**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an exemption from the competitive bid requirements and the first of two

(2) renewal options to The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in the estimated amount of \$100,000 for Colposcopy and other Professional Medical Services for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

z. **Motion 05.2-95**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve the second of four (4) renewal options to Nurses Night & Day, Inc. in the estimated amount of \$505,498 for Comprehensive Home Health Care for the term May 1, 2005 through April 30, 2006.

aa. **Motion 05.2-96**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve utilization of Group Purchasing Organization Premier Partners Contract for an award, on the basis of lowest priced contract, to Philips Medical Systems N.A. in the amount of \$785,535 for two (2) Digital Radiograph Systems for Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital.

bb. **Motion 05.2-97**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board authorize the Office of the Purchasing Agent to dispose of various items of surplus medical equipment as it becomes available through the sealed bid process.

A. (2). Harris County Purchasing Transmittals of Completed Items under \$100,000 for Information Purposes Only (These items do not need Committee and Board approval)

a. Job 04/0004: Term Contract for Interpreter Services for Hearing Impaired Persons

Transmittal of the first and final renewal option of an award to Nightingame Adult Day Center in the estimated amount of \$85,330 for Interpreter Services for Hearing Impaired Persons for the term April 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006.

b. Premier Contract PP-NS-088: Term Contract for Patient Aids

Transmittal of utilization of Group Purchasing Organization Premier Partners Contract to Medline Industries, Inc. through Cardinal Health 200 in the estimated amount of \$88,887 for Patient Aids for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

- c. Job 01/0221; BM 04.11-497: Term Contract for Consulting Services

Transmittal of an extension to Phase 2 Consulting, L.C. with no additional funding required for Consulting Services for the term March 1, 2005 through May 31, 2005.

- d. Premier Contract PP-CE-290: Term Contract for HVAC (Chilled Water Systems)

Transmittal of utilization of Group Purchasing Organization Premier Partners Contract on the basis of low bid for an award to Trane through Hunton Distribution Group in the amount of \$74,115 for HVAC (Chilled Water Systems) for the term February 25, 2005 through February 24, 2006.

- e. Job 05/0001: Purchase of Patient Monitors with Mobile Stands

Transmittal of an award, on the basis of low bid, to MMS A Medical Supply Co. in the amount of \$26,974 for Patient Monitors with Mobile Stands.

- f. Job 04/0457: Purchase of Mammographic Unit

Transmittal of an award, on the basis of low bid, to GE Medical System in the amount of \$72,925 for Mammographic Unit for Ben Taub.

- g. Job 04/0456: Purchase of Two (2) Full Body Simulators with Compressors

Transmittal of an award, on the basis of only bid received, to Laerdal Medical Corp. in the amount of \$54,858 for two (2) Full Body Simulators with Compressors.

- h. Job 01/0137: Term Contract for PCR/Genotyping System Analyzers and Reagents

Transmittal of the third of four (4) renewal options to Applied Biosystems through PE Corporation a wholly owned subsidiary of Applera Corporation in the amount of \$33,488 for PCR/Genotyping System Analyzers and

Reagents for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

The following item did not go to Fiscal Affairs Committee and comes directly to the Board for approval:

Service and Maintenance for Siemens CT-16 Scanners (2 ea.) and Leonardo Workstations (5 ea.)

Motion 05.2-98

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. DonCarlos, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve the second year of a five (5) year Agreement, on the basis of sole source, with Siemens Medical Solutions, USA, Inc. to provide service and maintenance for CT Scanners and workstations for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

2. Information Technology Items related to Purchasing

The Information Technology Committee met on February 11, 2005 and recommended that the Harris County Purchasing Agent bring forth the following items for approval:

A. (1)a. **Motion 05.2-99**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Jackson, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an award to Anixter Corporation (\$35,000), Communications Supply Corporation (\$10,000), and Graybar Electric (\$85,000) for a total amount not to exceed \$130,000 for material for installation of telephone and data cable for all of the HCHD facilities for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

The following items related to purchasing requiring Board approval did not go to Information Technology Committee and comes directly to the Board for approval:

A. (1)b. **This item was deferred until a later date**

A. (1)c. **Motion 05.2-100**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Jackson, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an award, pending approval subject to satisfactory review of contract by Board, on the basis of best proposal meeting requirements, to FUJIFILM Medical Systems, U.S.A. Inc. in the amount of \$6,353,734 plus maintenance of \$2,131,125 (years 2-5) for Integrated Image Information

System for the Harris County Hospital District for the term effective at first productive use (estimated October 2005) and continuing for five (5) years. This approval is contingent upon a satisfactory review of the contract by the Board of Managers.

A. (1)d. **Motion 05.2-101**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Jackson, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve a purchase from Dell Computer Marketing in the amount of \$764,351 for Dell Computer Systems and Rumba Telnet Licenses.

VI. Reports of the Committees

Mr. Attwell called on Mr. DonCarlos to present the agenda items related to Joint Conference Committee meeting.

A. Joint Conference Committee

1. The Joint Conference Committee met on February 9, 2005 and discussed the items listed below. A brief report follows.
 - a. Discussion and Possible Recommendations regarding Research conducted in the Harris County Hospital District including Presentation of the Annual HCHD Research Report.
 - b. Discussion and Possible Recommendation regarding Update on the Negotiation of the AMS Affiliation Agreement
 - c. Discussion and Possible Recommendation regarding the proposed Outpatient Clinic Moves

Mr. Attwell called on Dr. Jose Garcia to present agenda items 2. a. through c.

2. The following items did not go to Joint Conference Committee and are coming directly to the Board for approval:
 - a. **Motion 05.2-102**

Moved by Mr. DonCarlos, seconded by Mr. Wortham, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve the Appointments, Reappointments and Changes of Status for Members of the HCHD Medical Staff for February 2005 as recommended by the Medical Board.

b. **Motion 05.2-103**

Moved by Mr. DonCarlos, seconded by Ms. Spinks, and unanimously passed that, the Board accept the Medical Board Report as presented by Dr. Jose Garcia. (See Appendix "D").

c. **Motion 05.2-104**

Moved by Mr. DonCarlos, seconded by Ms. Spinks, and unanimously passed that, the Board approve the Changes in the Patient Safety Plan as presented.

Mr. Attwell called on Mr. Danny Jackson to present the agenda items related to Fiscal Affairs.

B. Fiscal Affairs Committee

1. The Fiscal Affairs Committee met on February 11, 2005 and brings forth the following item for approval:

Motion 05.2-105

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Louie, and unanimously passed, that the Board accept the December 31, 2004 Financial Report subject to final audit.

2. The following item did not go to the Fiscal Affairs Committee on February 11, 2005 and comes directly to the Board for approval:

Motion 05.2-106

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve the Fiscal Year 2006 Operating and Capital Budget of the Harris County Hospital District and the forwarding of this recommendation along with the Caveat from the Board of Managers to the Harris County Commissioners Court.

C. Information Technology Committee

The Information Technology Committee met on February 11, 2005 and discussed Agenda Item V.2A(1)a. previously presented by the Harris County Purchasing Agent.

Mr. Attwell called on Ms. Truesdell to present the agenda items related to Clinic Committee.

D. Clinic Committee

1. The Clinic Committee met on February 11, 2005 and brings forth the following items for Board approval:
 - a. **Motion 05.2-107**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an Agreement under Ryan White Title I between the Harris County Hospital District and Harris County in the amount of \$557,623 to provide primary care to eligible HIV-infected females who are patients of the Harris County Hospital District for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.
 - b. **Motion 05.2-108**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell seconded by, Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board ratify an Agreement under Ryan White Title III between the Harris County Hospital District and Baylor College of Medicine to provide Physician Services to eligible HIV-infected individuals who are patients of the Harris County Hospital District in the amount of \$35,943 for the term January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005.
 - c. **Motion 05.2-109**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an Agreement under Ryan White Title I between the Harris County Hospital District and Harris County in the amount of \$4,527,352 for the purpose of providing primary care to HIV-infected individuals who are patients of the Harris County Hospital District for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.
 - d. **Motion 05.2-110**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board ratify an Amended Agreement under Ryan White Title I between the Harris County Hospital District and The University of Texas Health Science Center – Houston in the amount of \$8,798 to provide Physician Services to eligible HIV-infected adolescents who are patients of the Harris County Hospital District for the term September 1, 2004 through February 28, 2005.

e. **Motion 05.2-111**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board ratify a Grant from the United States Department of Health and Human Services to the Harris County Hospital District in the amount of \$890,201 to provide early intervention services under Ryan White Title III to eligible HIV-infected individuals who are patients of the Harris County Hospital District for the term January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

f. **Motion 05.2-112**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve a Facilities Use Agreement between the Harris County Hospital District and The Assistance Fund to allow The Assistance Fund to aid eligible HIV-infected individuals in the process of applying for reimbursement for medications for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

g. **Motion 05.2-113**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve a Facilities Use Agreement between the Harris County Hospital District and Harris County on behalf of it's Department of Public Health and Environmental Services to provide HIV Prevention Workshops to eligible HIV-infected individuals for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

h. **Motion 05.2-114**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve a Facilities Use Agreement between the Harris County Hospital District and Family Services of Greater Houston to provide counseling to eligible HIV-infected individuals for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

i. **Motion 05.2-115**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve a Facilities Use Agreement between the Harris County Hospital

District and Volunteer Lawyers for the use of space at Thomas Street Health Center to provide legal consultation to eligible HIV-infected individuals for the term March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

2. Items Related to Reports

Report on On-going Activities of the Council-at-Large

No one reported.

Mr. Attwell called on Ms. Carolyn Truesdell to present the agenda items related to Governmental and Public Affairs Committee.

E. Governmental & Public Affairs Committee

The Governmental & Public Affairs Committee met on February 11, 2005 and discussed the following items, of which Item 2 is being brought forth for approval:

1. State and Federal Legislative Update

2. **Motion 05.2-116**

Moved by Ms. Truesdell, seconded by Mr. Wortham, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve Support for Modification of Legislative Platform regarding Women's Health Waiver Proposal.

Mr. Attwell called on Mr. Danny Jackson who called on Mr. Lawrence Bell to present the agenda items related to Buildings & Properties Committee.

F. Buildings & Properties Committee

The Buildings and Properties Committee did not meet and brings directly to the Board the following items for approval:

1. **Motion 05.2-117**

Moved by Mr. Wortham, seconded by Ms. Spinks, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve an amount not to exceed \$90,000 to complete the Peoples Health Center Expansion Project build-out.

2. **Motion 05.2-118**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Louie, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve increasing the Owner's contingency allowance funding by \$23,066 for the

Ben Taub General Hospital Emergency Center Phase I
Renovation Project with Frost Construction.

3. **Motion 05.2-119**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board award the IT Data Centers Fire Suppression System Project to Detection and Suppression International, Ltd., for construction services, based on their best bid of \$199,500. Additionally, it is recommended that a \$10,000 (5% of bid) owner's contingency allowance be established.

4. **Motion 05.2-120**

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Truesdell, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve entering into a lease agreement, with Houston 2211 Norfolk Street, Inc. (formerly United Mine Workers Trust), for approximately 19,028 square feet of space. The lease rate for year 1 will be \$23,388.58, per month, the base operating expense* will be zero for calendar year 2005. The tenant improvement allowance will not exceed \$17.50 per rentable square foot.

*This expense has historically been less than \$900 per month.

VII. Executive Session

At 10:58 A.M., Mr. Attwell stated that the Board would go into Executive Session under Section 161.032 of the Texas Health & Safety Code and Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 071, 072, 074 & 085 as permitted by law. He stated that the regular meeting of the Board would reconvene at the close of Executive Session.

VIII. Reconvene

At 12:48 P.M., Mr. Attwell reconvened the meeting and asked if there were further input to the agenda:

- A.** Report by Corporate Compliance Officer Regarding Status of Fraud and Abuse Investigations pursuant to Section 161.032 of the Texas Health & Safety Code

No action was taken on this item as it was presented for information only.

- B.** Discussion and Consideration of Lease and/or Acquisition of Real Property for the Possible Relocation of Selected Ben Taub General Hospital Out-patient Clinics and Support Space pursuant

to Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §551.072 and to take Appropriate Action regarding the Matter Upon Return to Open Session

No action was taken on this item.

- C.** Discussion of Acquisition of Real Property in Connection with Hospital District's 2015 Strategic Plan pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §551.072 and Possible Action regarding the Matter Upon Return to Open Session

No action was taken on this item.

- D.** Consideration of a Settlement on an Automobile Accident Claim of Thelma Lakey against HCHD pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code §551.071 and Possible Action regarding Approval of the Settlement in Open Session

Motion 05.2-121

Moved by Mr. Lemond, seconded by Mr. Wortham, and unanimously passed, that the Board approve and hereby authorize the settlement of an automobile accident claim filed by Thelma Lakey against HCHD in the amount of \$910.00, and that David S. Lopez, Interim President and CEO, be authorized to execute a settlement agreement on behalf of the Harris County Hospital District.

- E.** Status Report on CEO Search pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §551.074

No action was taken on this item.

- F.** Status Report on Negotiations pertaining to the Affiliation Agreement with AMS pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §551.085

No action was taken on this item.

IX. Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Wortham, seconded by Mr. Lemond, and unanimously accepted to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 P.M.

I certify that the foregoing are the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Harris County Hospital District held at the Administration Building in Houston, Texas on February 24, 2005.

J. Evans Attwell, Chairman
Board of Managers
Harris County Hospital District
Houston, Texas

Carolyn Truesdell, Secretary

Recorded by Anne McCowan