



**AGENDA**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Tuesday, May 26, 2026**

**4:00 PM**

**Modular C Classroom**

**600 N. Highland Springs Avenue, Banning, CA 92220**

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I. Call to Order

S. DiBiasi, Chair

II. Public Comment

A five-minute limitation shall apply to each member of the public who wishes to address the Hospital Board of Directors on any matter under the subject jurisdiction of the Board. A thirty-minute time limit is placed on this section. No member of the public shall be permitted to “share” his/her five minutes with any other member of the public. (Usually, any items received under this heading are referred to staff for future study, research, completion and/or future Board Action.) (PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD.)

On behalf of the Hospital Board of Directors, we want you to know that the Board acknowledges the comments or concerns that you direct to this Board. While the Board may wish to occasionally respond immediately to questions or comments if appropriate, they often will instruct the Hospital CEO, or other Hospital Executive personnel, to do further research and report back to the Board prior to responding to any issues raised. If you have specific questions, you will receive a response either at the meeting or shortly thereafter. The Board wants to ensure that it is fully informed before responding, and so if your questions are not addressed during the meeting, this does not indicate a lack of interest on the Board’s part; a response will be forthcoming.

**OLD BUSINESS**

III. **\*Proposed Action - Approve Minutes**  
▪ April 28, 2026, Regular Meeting

S. DiBiasi

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**NEW BUSINESS**

IV. Hospital Board Chair Monthly Report

S. DiBiasi

verbal

San Gorgonio Memorial Hospital  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting  
May 26, 2026

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| V.    | CEO Monthly Report   | M. Finney  | verbal |
| VI.   | May, June, and July Board/Committee Meeting Calendars                                | S. DiBiasi | B      |
| VII.  | <b>* Proposed Action - Appoint Ad Hoc Nominating Committee</b><br>▪ <b>ROLL CALL</b> | S. DiBiasi | verbal |
| VIII. | Future Agenda Items  |            |        |
| IX.   | <b>ADJOURN</b>   | S. DiBiasi |        |

**\*Action Required**

In accordance with The Brown Act, *Section 54957.5*, all public records relating to an agenda item on this agenda are available for public inspection at the time the document is distributed to all, or a majority of all, members of the Board. Such records shall be available at the Hospital Administration office located at 600 N. Highland Springs Avenue, Banning, CA 92220 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm.

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(*Government Code Section 54954.2*).

Executed at Banning, California, May 22, 2026



Ariel Whitley, Executive Assistant

**TAB A**

REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SAN GORGONIO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

April 28, 2026

The regular meeting of the San Gorgonio Memorial Hospital Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, in Modular C meeting room, 600 N. Highland Springs Avenue, Banning, California.

Members Present: Pat Brown, Susan DiBiasi (Chair), Doris Foreman, Shannon McDougall, Darrell Petersen, Ron Rader, Steve Rutledge, Randal Stevens, Lanny Swerdlow

Members Absent: None

Required Staff: Michele Finney (CEO), John Peleuses (VP Ancillary and Support Services), Ariel Whitley (EA/Director of Comp. and Privacy), Annah Karam (CHRO), Dan Heckathorne (Executive Director of Finance), Ryan Marshall (CFO)

AGENDA ITEM		ACTION / FOLLOW-UP
<b>Call To Order</b>	Chair, Susan DiBiasi, called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.	
<b>Public Comment</b>	Lanny Swerdlow discussed an article regarding hospitals at risk due to cuts in Medicaid.	
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>		
<b>Proposed Action - Approve Minutes</b>  <b>March 3, 2026, Special Meeting and March 31, 2026, Regular Meeting</b>	Chair Susan DiBiasi asked for any changes or corrections to the minutes of the following meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March 3, 2026, Special Meeting</li> <li>• March 31, 2026, Regular Meeting</li> </ul> There were none.	<b>The minutes presented for approval will stand correct.</b>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>		
<b>Hospital Board Chair Monthly Report</b>	Chair DiBiasi reported that the board chairs meet with Michele at a weekly cadence to keep them informed of hospital operations. She also reported that Steve Rutledge will term out on June 30 <sup>th</sup> . An Ad Hoc committee will be appointed and recruitment to fill the vacancy will begin soon.	
<b>CEO Monthly Report</b>	Michele Finney, CEO, reported that there has been legislative progress on supportive bills. Three key bills, including the distressed hospital loan and physician employment by districts, advanced from Assembly Appropriations Committee. Michele also reported on the employee retention tax credit status. The IRS review period ended April 16, with ongoing follow-ups via Congressman Ruiz's office. Positive signs emerged as the first hospital reportedly received funds, encouraging continued pursuit of this credit. In	

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	addition to that, Michele discussed the preparation for the rural health transformation fund. The hospital is preparing to apply for a share of the \$233 million multi-year grant fund approved by CMS for rural health initiatives. Applications open in July, with award decisions near October.																					
<b>May, June, and July Board/Committee meeting calendars</b>	Calendars for May, June, and July were included on the board tablets.																					
<b>Quarterly Construction Update</b>	John Peleuses gave the quarterly construction update. Seismic retrofit testing and SPECT/CT project completion reports have been submitted; ultrasound renovation pending inspection with expected completion by mid-May. Due to minimal projects at this time, John requested suspension of detailed quarterly construction updates until projects resume. The board agreed to minimal updates but emphasized maintaining records to track compliance and progress.																					
<b>Proposed Action – Adopt Resolution No. 2026-07</b>	<p>Resolution No. 2026-07 is a resolution appointing Christopher Bjornberg as the Hospital CEO.</p> <p><b>BOARD MEMBER ROLL CALL:</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="383 947 1255 1119"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Brown</td> <td>Yes</td> <td>DiBiasi</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Foreman</td> <td>Yes</td> <td>McDougall</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petersen</td> <td>Yes</td> <td>Rader</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rutledge</td> <td>Yes</td> <td>Stevens</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Swerdlow</td> <td>Yes</td> <td colspan="2">Motion carried.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Brown	Yes	DiBiasi	Yes	Foreman	Yes	McDougall	Yes	Petersen	Yes	Rader	Yes	Rutledge	Yes	Stevens	Yes	Swerdlow	Yes	Motion carried.		<b>M.S.C., (Swerdlow/Rader), the SGMH Board of Directors voted to adopt Resolution No. 2026-07</b>
Brown	Yes	DiBiasi	Yes																			
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Swerdlow	Yes	Motion carried.																				
<b>Adjourn to Closed Session</b>	<p>Chairs, DiBiasi reported on the items to be reviewed and discussed and/or acted upon during Closed Session will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Participate in a telephone conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation</li> </ul> <p>The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 4:32 pm.</p>																					
<b>Reconvene to Open Session</b>	<p>The meeting adjourned from Closed Session at 4:55 pm.</p> <p>Chair DiBiasi reported on the actions taken/information received during the Closed Session as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Participate in a telephone conference with legal counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation. Instruction was provided to counsel.</li> </ul>																					
<b>Future Agenda Items</b>	None.																					
<b>Adjourn</b>	The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 pm.																					

In accordance with The Brown Act, *Section 54957.5*, all reports and handouts discussed during this Open Session meeting are public records and are available for public inspection. These reports and/or handouts are available for review at the Hospital Administration office located at 600 N. Highland Springs Avenue, Banning, CA 92220 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Ariel Whitley, Executive Assistant

**TAB B**

# June 2026

## Board of Directors Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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14 	15	16	17	18	19 	20
21 	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 2:30 pm Finance Committee 4:00 pm Hospital Board Meeting 4:30 pm Healthcare District Board Meeting	30 continued 10:00 am Hospital Board Executive Committee Meeting			



# July 2026

## Board of Directors Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Independence Day Observation!  Administration is Closed!	4 
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 9:00 am HR Committee Meeting 10:00 am Community Plan- ning	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 2:30 pm Finance Committee 4:00 pm Hospital Board Meeting 4:30 pm Healthcare Dis- trict Board Meeting	29	30	31	



# August 2026

## Board of Directors Calendar

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