

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)
GMCB Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 30, 2019
1:00 pm

Attendance

Kevin J. Mullin, Chair
Susan J. Barrett, JD, Executive Director
Judy Henkin, Esq., General Counsel
Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS
Maureen Usifer
Jessica Holmes, PhD
Tom Pelham

Executive Director's Report

Kevin Mullin called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 pm. Susan Barrett reviewed the February 2019 Board meeting schedule. To view the press release, please visit our website [here](#).

Minutes

The Board voted (5-0) to approve the minutes from January 23, 2019.

Health Care Workforce

Sarah Buxton, Director of Workforce Policy & Performance, DOL
Ena Backus, Director of Health Care Reform, AHS
Mathew Barewicz, Labor Market Info Director, DOL
Laura Q. Pelosi, Partner, MMR, LLC

Mathew Barewicz started the presentation with a breakdown of the data and projects in the works. He discussed the impacts of the declining labor force and what factors are contributing to the decline. To view Mathew's slides, please visit our website [here](#). Laura Pelosi then presented the demographic challenges and existing data used in her findings. She discussed the Vermont Talent Pipeline Management survey, finding there will be a demand for over 3,000 nursing related positions in Vermont by April 2020. She explained the current impacts on providers and possible solutions, including financial incentives and licensing reforms. To view Laura's presentation, please visit our website [here](#). Sarah Buxton and Ena Backus presented together discussing the goals and strategies for health care related initiatives. To view the slides Sarah referenced, please visit our website [here](#).

Public Comment

Dale Hackett
Jill Olsen

Ken Libertoff
Meredith (last name unknown)

Old Business

Chair Kevin Mullin prompted the discussion regarding the legislative bill S.14: An act relating to extending the moratorium on home health agency certificates of need. Jill Olsen spoke about the movement of the bill in the Senate. Kevin and the other Board members agree they are all supportive of the bill.

New Business

Member Robin Lunge discussed a recommendation from the contingency planning group around cost-sharing reduction and silver-loading. The group has proposed new language to broaden the Board's authority in case there is a federal change concerning silver-loading in the future.

Adjourn

The Board voted (5-0) to adjourn at approximately 4:20 pm.