

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

1:00 PM

This meeting was held virtually via Microsoft Teams.

Attendance

Board Members

Owen Foster, JD, Board Chair

Jessica Holmes, PhD

Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS

Thom Walsh, Ph.D, MS, MSPT

Dave Murman, MD

Susan J. Barrett, JD, Executive Director

Call to Order

GMCB Board Chair Owen Foster called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

Minutes from the 02/21/2023 board meeting were approved unanimously.

Chair Foster explained today's agenda corrections. The noticed discussion of the Draft FY25 Hospital Budget Guidance will take place next week.

Executive Director's Report – Public Comments will be accepted on the new draft Hospital Budget Guidance posted to our website today, on Act 167's Community Engagement, and on the State's potential future All-Payer/AHEAD Model. The Primary Care Advisory Group (PCAG) will meet next Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 5:30pm. The meeting is open to the public via MS Teams. Meeting links and phone call-in numbers can be found [on our website](#).

Presentations

Copley Mid-Year Budget Modification Request – Potential Vote

00:08:18

Matt Sutter, Health Systems Finance Principal Analyst, GMCB

Russ McCracken, Staff Attorney, GMCB

Joseph Woodin, CEO, Copley Hospital

Jeff Hebert, CFO, Copley Hospital

Russ McCracken introduced the statute, rule, and policy regarding GMCB hospital budget adjustment requests and administered the oath to Joseph Woodin and Jeff Hebert.

Woodin and Hebert presented Copley Hospital's request for FY24 Mid-Year Budget Modification. [The slides for this presentation can be found here.](#)

Board Discussion

00:37:23

Matt Sutter presented the GMCB Staff analysis of Copley's budget modification request. [The slides for this presentation can be found here.](#)

Board Discussion 01:03:45

HCA Comment 01:11:00

HCA recommended the Board reject this budget modification request.

Public Comment – None

FY23 Hospital Budget Actuals 01:17:50

Matt Sutter, Health Systems Finance Principal Analyst, GMCB

[Slides for this presentation can be found here.](#)

Board Discussion 01:38:00

HCA Comment 01:43:30

The HCA has no comment at this time and will review the information presented.

Public Comment 01:44:05

Walter Carpenter

Patrick Rooney, VAHHS

Old Business – AHEAD Model Executive Session to be held on April 1, 2024.

Chair Foster explained 1 VSA 313(a)(6) and the reason for executive sessions. 01:50:25

MOTION: Board Chair Foster made a motion to move to Executive Session (per 1 VSA 313(a)(6)) to discuss the AHEAD Notice of Funding (NOFO) Application with AHS. Member Lunge seconded the motion.

The Board moved to a separate MS Teams Meeting for the Executive Session at 3:15pm.

The Board resumed the public meeting at 4:40pm. 03:42:30

New Business - None

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 4:41pm