

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 31, 2023

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

David Murman, MD

Thom Walsh, PhD, MS, MSPT

Susan J. Barrett, JD, Executive Director

Call to Order

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

The meeting agenda has been revised. The OneCare Vermont items will be taken up at the June 14, 2023, Board Meeting.

Executive Director Report

The Board will be conducting an in-person Board meeting in Morrisville, VT on June 7 to meet with providers. We are looking forward to hearing from local providers and businesses on ways we contain costs and improve access to high quality care. Please see more details on the traveling board meeting on our [What's New](#) page.

Public comments:

No open special comment periods at this time.

Ongoing acceptance of any comments regarding a potential next All-Payer Model

Minutes

The Board unanimously approved the meeting minutes from Friday, May 17, 2023.

Presentations

VAHHS Request for Reconsideration of FY24 Hospital Budget Guidance – Potential Vote

(begins @ approx. 0:4:43 in recording)

- a. Sarah Lindberg, Director of Health Systems Finances, GMCB
Russ McCracken, Staff Attorney, GMCB

The slides from this presentation can be found on [our website](#).

Board Discussion

(begins @ approx. 0:30:35 in recording)

Health Care Advocate

A recording of this meeting will be available on the [GMCB YouTube Channel](#).

Mike Fisher – “HCA written comments are clear and we stand by those comments.” We support a motion to deny a request to change the guidance.

Public Comment

(begins @ approx. 0:58:16 in recording)

Sharon Gutwin, Independent Health Care Provider

Michael DelTrecco, VAHHS

Robert L. Hoffman

Ham Davis

A motion was made by Chair Foster

MOTION: *move to deny the request from VAHHS to modify the GMCB's FY24 hospital budget guidance and also deny the VAHHS request to stipulate to non-enforcement of actual FY24 hospital budgets.*

The motion was seconded by Member Walsh and the motion carried unanimously by the Board.

~~**One Care Vermont Revised FY23 Budget – GMCB Staff Presentation – Potential Vote**~~

~~(begins @ approx. in recording)~~

~~a. Michelle Sawyer, Health Policy Project Director, GMCB~~

~~— Russ McCracken, Staff Attorney, GMCB~~

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~~— Slides from this presentation can be found on our website.~~

~~**Board Discussion**~~

~~(begins @ approx. in recording)~~

~~**Health Care Advocate**~~

~~**Public Comment**~~

VITL Budget and modification to HIE Plan, GMCB Staff Presentation - Potential Vote

(begins @ approx. 1:18:57 in recording)

a. Kathryn O’Neill, Director of Health Systems Data and Analytics, GMCB

Jessica Mendizabal, Director of Data Management Analysis and Data Integrity, GMCB

Board Discussion

(begins @ approx. 1:26:27 in recording)

Health Care Advocate

Sam Peisch – HCA supports the recommendation

Public Comment

None

A motion was made by Chair Foster

MOTION: *Move to approve VITL's FY2024 budget as submitted to the GMCB, subject to the conditions presented today by GMCB staff.*

The motion was seconded by: Robin Lunge

The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Member Lunge.

MOTION: *Move to approve the amendment to add the requested language to the 2022 Vermont Health Information Exchange Plan as described in DVHA's May 24, 2023 Modification Request letter.*

The motion was seconded by: Member Holmes

The motion was carried unanimously.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Adjourned - The Board unanimously approved a motion to adjourn at 2:32 pm.