

**Florida Health Insurance Advisory Board
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 13, 2022, 2:30 PM
Via Teleconference
Tallahassee, FL**

Board Members Present:

Alexis Bakofsky, Chair Designee	Ken Stevenson, Vice Chair	Cody Farrill
Louisa McQueeney	Eric Johnson, PhD, ASA	Richard B. Weiss, CPA
John J. Matthews	Seth M. Phelps	Robert Muszynski
Nathan Landsbaum		

Others Present:

- Amy Hardee, Administrative Assistant II to the Deputy Commissioner – Life & Health, Office of Insurance Regulation (OIR)
- Monica Ross, Chief Legal Counsel, OIR

I. Call to Order

Alexis Bakofsky (Chief of Staff, Office of Insurance Regulation) announced that she had been appointed as the Chair's designee for this meeting by Commissioner and Chair David Altmaier. The Chair then called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm indicating that the meeting was properly noticed to the public in accordance with Florida Law.

II. Roll Call

Amy Hardee conducted a roll call, noting the presence of a quorum.

III. Antitrust Statement

Monica Ross was recognized and reviewed the antitrust statement.

IV. Chair's Opening Remarks

The Chair thanked the members for their attendance today and noted that the business before the Board today was to receive a report and recommendation from the Executive Director Selection Committee.

V. Approval of Minutes

The Chair presented the minutes from the Board's November 4, 2021, meeting and the Executive Director Selection Committee's February 15, 2022, meeting for adoption, noting that members had been provided with advance copies. Cody Farrill moved to adopt the minutes as written, with a second by Seth Phelps, and the minutes were adopted without objection.

VI. Executive Director Selection Committee Status Report

The Chair turned the time over to Seth Phelps (Chair, Executive Director Selection Committee) for a status report on the search for a new Executive Director.

Mr. Phelps gave a brief history of the selection process:

- The other Selection Committee members are Louisa McQueeney and Ken Stevenson
- On October 27, 2021, the position was advertised in multiple locations
- Each candidate received an Interview Questionnaire to compete to gain additional information regarding their education background, computer and software skills, experience with and knowledge of the Florida legislative process, experience in budgeting and financial reporting, and knowledge of the health insurance industry, marketplace and policies
- Based on the responses to the Interview Questionnaires, the Committee narrowed the list of candidates to interview to seven
- Six candidates were interviewed during public meetings in February (one candidate withdrew before being interviewed)
- After completing the interviews, the Committee met on February 15 to discuss the remaining candidates

After consideration, the Committee unanimously selected John T. "Jack" McDermott to become the next Executive Director of the FHIAB utilizing the previously approved standard contract for the Executive Director position at the current independent contractor rate of \$5,000 a month, and with authority to sign checks on behalf of the FHIAB. The Chair thanked Mr. Phelps and the other members of the Committee for their hard work.

Eric Johnson moved to accept the Committee's recommendation, with a second by Cody Farrill, and the motion carried without objection. The Chair congratulated Jack McDermott and advised that the Office will be reaching out to complete the transition process.

VII. Other Business

The Chair asked if there was any other business to be brought before the Board. There being nothing further, the Chair moved to the next agenda item.

VIII. Public Comment

The Chair asked if there were any members of the public who would like to comment. Jack McDermott thanked the Board for their approval and noted that he's looking forward to working with everyone. There being no further business, the Chair moved to the next agenda item.

IX. Adjourn

The Chair thanked everyone for participating. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 pm.


Alexis Bakofsky, Chair Designee

9/29/22
Date