

THE METROHEALTH SYSTEM  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
LEGAL & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

March 14, 2018

Present: Committee Members: Thomas McDonald, Vanessa Whiting

Other Trustees: Maureen Dee

Staff: Elizabeth Allen, Laura McBride, Michael Phillips, Craig Richmond,  
Dr. Brook Watts

The meeting was called to order at 12:40 p.m. by Ms. Whiting. The minutes are written in a format conforming to the printed meeting agenda for the convenience of correlation, recognizing that some of the items were discussed out of sequence.

I. The minutes of the December 20, 2018, meeting were approved.

II. Consent Items - None

III. Discussion Items

- Government Relations Update

There was no report provided.

- Legal Department/Risk Update

Ms. McBride provided an update on the reorganization of the Legal Department into two areas of responsibility. Sonja Rajki is the Deputy General Counsel on the Corporate side while Laura McBride is the Deputy General Counsel for Litigation and Risk. The role of Chief Risk Officer does not exist anymore since Marlene Franklin's retirement, and Laura McBride has accepted the position of handling Litigation and Risk Management. Cheryl Greer remains the Coordinator for Claims and Risk Management, and Geoffrey Petranek is the Clinical Risk Manager. Marlene Franklin will be returning to the Legal Department on a part-time basis to assist with special projects and until it is determined what unique responsibilities previously handled by Ms. Franklin are needed in a person for a future position.

- Risk Management Report

Ms. McBride's report on Risk Management was reserved for Executive Session.

A motion was unanimously passed by roll call vote to hold an executive session to discuss pending litigation and confidential legal matters.

Following the executive session, the meeting reopened.

IV. Action Items - None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Phillips  
Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer