

**THE METROHEALTH SYSTEM
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LEGAL & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: Wednesday, March 18, 2020

TIME: 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: MetroHealth Medical Center
K107, Business Services Building

COMMITTEE

TRUSTEES: Ms. Whiting (via telephone), Mr. Hairston (via telephone)

ADDITIONAL

TRUSTEES: Ms. Dee (via telephone), Mr. Moreno (via telephone), Dr. Silvers (via telephone)

STAFF: Dr. Boutros, Mr. Dalton, Mr. Frolik, Ms. McBride, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Platten,
Mr. Richmond

Ms. Whiting called the meeting of the Legal and Government Relations Committee to order at 12:35 p.m. Please note that the minutes are written to conform to the printed agenda and are not necessarily in the order of discussion.

I. The minutes of the regular Legal and Government Relations Committee meeting held on December 11, 2019 were approved as presented.

II. Information Items

A. Government Relations Update

Joseph Frolik, Senior Vice President, Communications, Government and Community Relations, updated the Committee on the following: meetings attended with congressional representatives and their staffs to emphasize MetroHealth's 187 year history of service to the community through health crises, being ready to lead again and the need of support to do so; the MetroHealth delegation visited four members of the House and staffs of six other members on Capitol Hill on March 9 - 10; Governor DeWine and Ohio Department of Health (ODH) Director Dr. Amy Acton toured MetroHealth's Special Disease Care Unit on February 27 and held their first press conference detailing steps Ohio was initiating to control the COVID-19 outbreak; Dr. Brook Watts participates in regular COVID-19 conference calls with ODH leadership and an advisory group set up by the Ohio Hospital Association; Allison Poullos, Director of Government Relations, has been monitoring Governor DeWine's daily briefings and sharing information with MetroHealth key staff; policy initiatives and legislation from state and federal officials are being tracked by Ms. Poullos to address the pandemic; information concerning COVID-19 and what MetroHealth is doing to prepare, educate, and test is being shared on a daily basis with local government leaders; work continues with state administration and legislators to secure capital bill funding for the MetroHealth Rehabilitation Institute at OBC, also noting The Greater Cleveland Partnership has recommended the project to state leaders; and awareness is being raised through signage,

flyers, table-tents at MetroHealth sites concerning the importance of Census participation, as well as through social media and reminders on backs of 25,000 pharmacy bags.

B. Update on Risk Management/Insurance Developments

Ms. McBride's report on pending litigation and claims and insurance developments were reserved for Executive Session.

C. Legal Updates

No updates were given at this time.

III. Non-Consent/Action Items

A. No items at this time.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to move the Committee into Executive Session to discuss trade secrets and matters required to be kept confidential. The Committee returned to regular session at 1:25 p.m.

IV. Consent Items

A. Recommendation to the President and Chief Executive Officer of The MetroHealth System for the Reaffirmation of the Policy Relative to the Open Meetings Law

The Chair noted the discussion surrounding the Reaffirmation of the Policy Relative to the Open Meetings Law for 2018-2019. There being no further questions, the Board unanimously approved the Reaffirmation of the Policy Relative to the Open Meetings Law for 2020-2021.

There being no further business to bring before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Phillips
Senior Vice President and
Chief Legal Officer