



The MetroHealth System Board of Trustees Executive Committee Meeting

The MetroHealth System

MetroHealth Board Room (K107) - 2500 MetroHealth Dr. Cleveland, OH 44109

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, September 16, 2026
TIME: 1:00pm - 2:30pm
PLACE: MetroHealth Boardroom (K 107) / Via YouTube Stream
<https://www.youtube.com/@metrohealthCLE/streams>

AGENDA

- I. **Approval of Minutes**
Minutes of June 5, 2026, meeting of the Executive Committee
- II. **Executive Session**
- III. **Adjourn**

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

June 5, 2026
3:00pm – 3:30pm
Virtual

Meeting Minutes

Committee Members: John Corlett, E. Harry Walker, M.D.

Staff: Christine Alexander-Rager, M.D., Kate Brown, David Stepnick, M.D., James Wellons

Other Guests: Guests not invited by the Board of Trustees are not listed as they are considered members of the audience and some were not appropriately identified.

Dr. Walker called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm, in accordance with Section 339.02(K) of the Ohio Revised Code with a quorum present.

I. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April 8, 2026, Executive Committee meeting was approved as submitted.

II. Resolution/Recommendation Approval

A. Approval of Naming of Medical Staff Wellness and Resource Center in Glick Center in Recognition of Robert L. Smith, PhD

Executive Committee Chair, Dr. Walker, introduced Kate Brown, Chief Development Officer and President of The MetroHealth Foundation, discussed the proposed naming of the Medical Staff Wellness and Resource Center, located in the Glick Center, in honor of Robert L. Smith, Ph.D. ("Dr. Bob"). Ms. Brown provided background on Dr. Smith's longstanding service and noted that the recommendation originated from leadership seeking an appropriate way to recognize his significant contributions to MetroHealth. Ms. Brown explained that the Wellness and Resource Center was identified as a fitting location for recognition

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because of its purpose in supporting the well-being and engagement of the medical staff.

Additional comments were provided by David Stepnick, M.D., EVP, Chief Physician Executive & Clinical Officer and Christine Alexander-Rager, M.D., President & CEO, highlighting Dr. Smith's decades of service, his leadership in employee and medical staff assistance programs, and his contributions to caregiver wellness, communication, teamwork, and professional support initiatives. Committee members discussed the positive impact of Dr. Smith's work throughout the organization and expressed support for recognizing his service through the naming of the facility. It was also noted that additional efforts were being planned to acknowledge and celebrate his contributions.

Dr. Walker asked James Wellons, EVP Chief Legal Officer & Corporate Secretary, to read the resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees ("Board") of The MetroHealth System ("System") has been presented a recommendation from the President and Chief Executive Officer of the System for the naming of the Medical Staff Wellness and Resource Center located in the Glick Center in recognition of Robert L. Smith, PhD, who is known throughout the System as "Dr. Bob";

WHEREAS, Dr. Bob first joined the System in 1983, and during his initial 14-year tenure, he directed the System's alcohol and drug treatment program, chaired the Impaired Professional Committee, and created the System's award-winning Employee Assistance Program;

WHEREAS, Dr. Bob returned to the System in 2012 to lead the System's Medical Staff Assistance Program, and in that role, he has provided support to countless employees across the System, becoming one of the System's most relied-upon resources during times of personal and professional challenge, and he has helped to shape a culture that prioritizes caregiver well-being, emotional resilience, human connection, and compassionate support; and

WHEREAS, the mission and purpose of the Medical Staff Wellness and Resource Center closely align with Dr. Bob's lifelong commitment to supporting the well-being, resilience, and professional sustainability of caregivers.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the naming of the Glick Center's Medical Staff Wellness and Resource Center as the "Robert L. Smith, PhD Medical Staff Wellness and Resource Center", in recognition of Dr. Bob's extraordinary contributions to the System, his enduring impact on the well-being of its employees, and his lasting legacy of compassion, service, and support.

Following the reading of the resolution, Dr. Walker asked for a motion to approve the Approval of Naming of Medical Staff Wellness and Resource Center in Glick Center in Recognition of Robert L. Smith, PhD, which was given, seconded and approved unanimously. The resolution will advance for full Board approval.

With there being no further business to bring before the Executive Committee of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Harry Walker, M.D., Chairperson