

**Washington State Health Insurance Pool
Board Meeting Minutes (Approved 3-13-19)
Wednesday, January 9, 2019, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Talaris Conference Center, Maple Room**

Board Members Present:

Kristen Walter Wright, Chair	Kristy Hogue	Alison Mondri
Mark Rose, Vice Chair	Hiu-Wan Ko	Molly Nollette
Roger Bairstow	Shaun Koos	
Bill Ely	Lisa Matthews	

Board Members Absent: Andi Bailey

Also Present:

Sharon Becker, WSHIP Executive Director
Anita Wuellner, WSHIP Executive Assistant

Guests:

BML (by phone): Derek Bridges, Bernie Jamieson, Neil Ochs and Shannon Wolf
Evergreen Health Insurance Program: Michael Dunlop
Express Scripts (by phone): Amy Williams
First Choice Health Network: George Harper and Alicia Sansom
Leif Associates (by phone): Liz Leif
Perkins Coie LLP: Anne Redman

Audience Members:

Wendy Galloway, OIC

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kristen Walter Wright at 9:00 a.m.

1. **Introductions, Review Agenda.** Board members, staff, guests and members of the audience introduced themselves. No changes were made to the Agenda.
2. **Consent Agenda (ACTION):**
 - A. **Minutes of November 14, 2018**
 - B. **2018 Board Schedule and Work Plan**

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

3. **Executive Director's Report:** Sharon Becker reviewed her Executive Director's Report included in the meeting materials. She also advised that yesterday Governor Inslee announced that legislation will be introduced to provide a public health care option in Washington State through the Health Benefit Exchange. A copy of the announcement was distributed. Sydney Zvara noted she will monitor the bill when it is filed and will provide input on WSHIP to legislators and staff as necessary. She and Ms. Becker will continue their outreach meetings with legislators in Olympia. Ms. Becker advised that several Board members and staff will be attending the State of Reform conference in Seattle tomorrow.

4. Administrator's Report:

- A. WSHIP Dashboard – November 2018:** Shannon Wolf reviewed the WSHIP Dashboard included in the meeting materials. Discussion ensued.

5. Treasurer's Report:

- A. WSHIP Financials – November 2018:** Bernie Jamieson reviewed the November 2018 Financials included in the meeting materials. Roger Bairstow advised that Mr. Jamieson provided a trend line of cash needed and assessments approved for a 5-year period. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to accept the November 2018 Financials as presented. The motion carried.

- 6. 2019 Board Schedule and Work Plan:** Ms. Becker reviewed the preliminary 2019 Board Schedule and Work Plan included in the meeting materials. The project of evaluating WSHIP's Medicare plans will begin early in the year and will be overseen by the Planning Committee. This project will also include evaluation and planning related to the OIC's proposed legislation to align Washington State with federal requirements that will prohibit Medicare supplement plans that cover the deductible to new enrollees beginning January 1, 2020.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to approve the 2019 Board Schedule and Work Plan as presented. The motion carried.

- 7. 2019 Administrative Budget:** Ms. Becker presented the 2019 Administrative Budget included in the meeting materials. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to approve the 2019 Administrative Budget as presented. The motion carried.

Public Comment: No public comment.

- 8. Executive Committee Report:** Ms. Walter Wright provided an update on the December 10, 2018 Executive Committee meeting.

Governance Committee Report: Ms. Walter Wright provided an update on the December 6, 2018 Governance Committee meeting, noting the committee conducted a debriefing of the Board retreat.

(A break was taken from 9:32 a.m. to 9:58 a.m.)

- 9. Planning Committee Report:** Mr. George Harper and Ms. Alicia Sansom presented an overview of the services First Choice Health provides to WSHIP and reviewed the network performance data. Discussion ensued.

- 10. Board Education – Evergreen Health Insurance Program:** Ms. Becker introduced Michael Dunlop from the Evergreen Health Insurance Program (EHIP) who presented education and background on EHIP and the Early Intervention Program (EIP). Discussion ensued.

(Non-Board members (except legal counsel Anne Redman) exited the meeting at 10:52 a.m.)

11. Executive Session: The Board met for an Executive Session to discuss a human resources matter.

(At 11:05 a.m. the meeting reconvened.)

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 13, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in the Maple Room of the Talaris Conference Center, Seattle, WA.