

FINAL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
NEW JERSEY SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM BOARD
AT THE OFFICES OF THE
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY
November 20, 2019

Members participating: Herb Ames; Robert Benkert (Oxford); Natalie Bernardi (Cigna); Chrissy Buteas; Gary Cupo; Phil Gennace (DOBI); Laura Gunn (formerly, Hahn); Margaret Koller; Nicholas Peterson (Horizon); Thomas Pownall (Aetna); Tony Taliaferro (AmeriHealth).

Others participating: Ellen DeRosa, Executive Director; Chanell McDevitt, Deputy Executive Director; Jeff Posta, Deputy Attorney General.

I. Call to Order

E. DeRosa called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. She announced that notice of the meeting was provided to three newspapers of general circulation and the State House Press Corps, and posted at the Department of Banking and Insurance (“DOBI”), on the DOBI website, and at the Office of the Secretary of State in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Following a roll call, she determined there was a quorum present, and stated that all votes would be by roll call because some of the Board members were participating by phone.

E. DeRosa noted that Laura Hahn had recently married, and is now Laura Gunn, and wished her congratulations.

II. Public Comments

There was no public present.

III. Review of Minutes of October 16, 2019

T. Pownall made a motion, seconded by M. Koller, to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 16, 2019, with amendment. By roll call vote, the motion carried, with C. Buteas and N. Peterson abstaining.

IV. Report of Staff – Expense Report

Expense Report

E. DeRosa presented the Expense Report for November, totaling \$113.98 for public notices placed in newspapers regarding the Board’s meeting schedule for calendar year 2020. She noted there is no need to transfer any funds.

G. Cupo made a motion, seconded by N. Bernardi, to approve payment of the expenses. By a roll call vote, the motion carried.

V. Public Comments

There was no public present.

VI. Close of Meeting

G. Cupo made a motion, seconded by N. Bernardi, to close the meeting. By roll call vote, the motion carried.

[The meeting adjourned at 10:08 A.M.]