

North Broward Hospital District Board of Commissioners
1700 Northwest 49th Street, Suite #150, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

LEGAL AFFAIRS & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
Immediately following the Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday, May 18, 2022

The Legal Affairs & Governmental Relations Committee Meeting of the North Broward Hospital District was held on May 18, 2022, immediately following the Finance Committee Meeting, at the Broward Health Corporate Spectrum Location, 1700 NW 49th Street, Suite 150, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309.

*Due to time restraints, it was decided that the Legal Affairs and Governmental Relations Committee meeting would follow the Information Technology Workshop.

1. **NOTICE**

Official notice is attached to these minutes, titled EXHIBIT I. Agenda of this meeting is attached to the minutes, titled EXHIBIT II. Supporting documents, if applicable, are attached to these minutes, titled EXHIBIT III. These exhibits are presented for consideration of the Committee.

2. **CALL TO ORDER**

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Levi G. Williams, Jr. at 7:38 p.m.

3. **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Present:

Commissioner Christopher J. Pernicano
Commissioner Stacy L. Angier
Commissioner Ray T. Berry
Commissioner Marie C. Waugh
Commissioner Levi G. Williams, Jr., Vice Chair
Commissioner Nancy W. Stamper, Chair (via Teams)

Not Present:

Commissioner Jonathan K. Hage

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Additionally Present:

Shane Strum, President, Chief Executive Officer
Ken Hetlage, Interim, Chief Operating Officer
Linda Epstein, Corporate General Counsel

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Williams opened the floor for public comments, in which there were none.

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5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Without objection, Vice Chair Williams approved the minutes, dated March 23, 2022.

Motion *carried* without dissent.

6. TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

- 6.1. Recess the open portion of the Legal Affairs and Governmental Relations Committee Meeting and move to the closed Attorney-Client Meeting (Presenter - Levi G. Williams, Jr.)

Vice Chair Williams gave detail to the forthcoming Attorney-Client Shade Session:

At the Legal Affairs and Governmental Relations committee meeting held on March 23, 2022, which was a duly-noticed public meeting, Linda Epstein, General Counsel requested the opportunity to speak to the Board in private and hold a closed attorney-client meeting to seek the Board's advice pertaining to settlement negotiations and strategy sessions related to the District's litigation expenditures of pending litigation, to which the District is a party.

Specifically, Case Number, CACE-20-002538, David Di Pietro v. North Broward Hospital District, currently pending in the Circuit Court of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida.

Pursuant to section 286.011(8)(d), Florida Statutes, announced that the closed attorney-client meeting is about to begin, and this closed meeting will last approximately 30 minutes.

Noted the people who will be attending the closed meeting are Nancy Stamper, along with fellow Commissioners Angier, Berry, Pernicano, and Waugh. Commissioner Williams will not be participating.

Shane Strum, the District's President/CEO;

Linda Epstein, General Counsel; Jerry Del Amo, Deputy General Counsel; and Brett Bauman, Senior Associate General Counsel all from the District's Office of General Counsel;

Outside counsel Bruce Johnson, Esq. and Scott Alexander, Esq., will also be in attendance since they represent the District in the Di Pietro case; and,

Sandra Suarez, a certified court reporter, will also be present to transcribe the entire meeting.

The Legal Affairs and Governmental Relations Committee Meeting recessed for an Attorney-Client Shade Session at 7:41 p.m.

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- 6.2. Reconvene the open portion of the Legal Affairs and Governmental Relations Committee Meeting and move to the closed Attorney-Client Meeting

The Legal Affairs and Governmental Relations Committee Meeting reconvened at 8:16 p.m.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business on the agenda, the Commissioner Angier adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Commissioner Christopher J. Pernicano, Secretary/Treasurer

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