

Metropolitan Board of Health of Nashville and Davidson County September 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes

The special called meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Health of Nashville and Davidson County was called to order by Chair Carol Etherington at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room, on the third floor of the Lentz Public Health Center, 2500 Charlotte Avenue, Nashville, TN 37209.

Present

Carol Etherington, MSN, RN, Chair
Alex Jahangir, MD, Vice Chair
Thomas Campbell, MD, Member
Margreete Johnston, MD, MPH, Member
Tené H. Franklin, MS, Member
David Frederick, MS, Member
Sanmi Areola, PhD, Deputy Director
Alex Dickerson, JD, Metropolitan Department of Law
Wanda Hadley, Metro Human Resources

Alex Dickerson explained the Executive Session.

Chair Etherington closed the meeting and opened the Executive Session.

Alex Dickerson shared general information about threat of pending litigation.

Chair Etherington closed the Executive Session.

Wanda Hadley discussed options regarding a search for a new Director of Health. The Board concluded that decisions about the search and the length of an interim appointment would be better informed by acquiring additional information about potential amendment to the Metro Charter related to the current requirement of an M.D. for the Director of Health position, and potential dates for such amendment to be presented to voters on a ballot. Ms. Hadley agreed to attend the September 12, 2019 regular Board meeting, when the matter would be discussed further, and Dr. Areola and Mr. Dickerson advised they would present additional information about amendment to the Charter at that meeting also.

Discussion was held regarding determining Dr. Wendy Long's last day of employment. It was agreed the matter would be discussed at the September 12, 2019 regular Board meeting.

Discussion was held regarding plans for interim leadership between Dr. Long's departure and a new director being hired. It was agreed the matter would be discussed at the September 12, 2019 regular Board meeting.

It was agreed that potential topics for the Board's retreat as well as a date for the retreat would be identified at the September 12, 2019 regular Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Etherington, MSN, RN
Chair