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TRILLIUM HEALTH RESOURCES GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: January 30, 2025

Board Members Present: (Noted present with an "X" mark)	
Randy Abbott-Guilford County	☐ Tony Hunt-Hoke County
English Albertson-Wayne County	Priscilla Little-Reid-Anson County
Marie Britt-Robeson County	Sheron Mosby-Pasquotank County, virtual
Holly Connor-Onslow County	Janice Nichols-Pender County
L.S. Bo Dean, JrNew Hanover County	Michelle Osborne-Harnett County, virtual
Walter Ferguson-Lee County	Wally Overman-Dare County
Leann Henkel-Randolph County	Wilson Raynor-Wayne County
Flor Herrera-Picasso-Wilson County	Denauvo Robinson-Pasquotank County
Laticia Hill-Godette-Pitt County	Lorrine Washington-Greene County
Staff:	
Joy Futrell, Terrell Alston, Kellie Baker, LaDonna Battle, Senitria Goodman, Victoria Jackson,	
Lisa A. Jarman, Mike Lewis, Bobbie Lowe, Melissa Owens, Cecelia Peers, Dave Peterson,	
Michael Smith, Anthony Ward.	
Guests:	
None	
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Agenda:	
I. Call to Order	
II. Roll Call	
III. Introduction of Members	
IV. Oath of Office	
V. Adoption of the Agenda	
VI. Governing Board Chair/Vice-Chair Nominations/Elections	
VII. Finance Committee Chair/Vice-Chair Nominations/Elections	
VIII. Consent Agenda	
 Quality Management New Policy 	
IX. Public Comments	
X. Review of Governing Board Bylaws	
XI. Adoption of Governance Resolutions	
XII. Meeting Cadence and Location	
XIII. Board Comments/Concerns	
XIV. CEO's Report	
XV. Convene Finance Committee Meeting	



XVII. Adjournment

XVI. Closed Session to consult with Trillium's Attorney

I. Call to Order

The Trillium Health Resources Governing Board meeting was held in person at the Hilton Hotel in Raleigh, NC and via Webex on January 30, 2025.

Trillium General Council and Chief Compliance Officer, Senitria Goodman welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 4:01pm

II. Roll Call

Governing Board Clerk, Lisa A. Jarman performed the roll call and stated that there was a quorum.

III. Introduction of Members

During the roll call, each member introduced themselves and stated why they answered the call to become part of the Trillium Governing Board.

IV. Oath of Office

The Oath of Office was administered to the entire Governing Board by Lisa A. Jarman, Notary Public of Lenoir County.

V. Adoption of Agenda

Ms. Goodman requested a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion was made by Mr. Dean to approve the January 30, 2025, Agenda. Ms. Priscilla Little Reid made a second. The motion carried.

VI. Governing Board Chair/Vice-Chair Nominations/Elections

Ms. Henkel nominated Denauvo Robinson to serve as the Governing Board Chair. Ms. Mosby made a second to the nomination. Mr. Hunt made a motion to close the nominations. Mr. Dean made a second. The motion carried.

The board members voted by ballot. Denauvo Robinson was elected as Governing Board Chair with a majority vote from the floor.

Mr. Ferguson nominated Priscilla Little Reid to serve as the Governing Board Vice Chair. Mr. Dean made a second to the nomination. Mr. Ferguson made a motion to close the nominations. Mr. Hunt made a second. The motion carried.

The board members voted by ballot. Priscilla Little Reid was elected as the Governing Board Vice Chair with a majority vote from the floor.

VII. Finance Committee Chair/Vice-Chair Nominations/Elections

Ms. Little Reid nominated Walter Ferguson to serve as Finance Committee Chair. Mr. Overman made a second to the nomination. Ms. Mosby made a motion to close the nominations. Mr. Raynor made a second. The motion carried.

The board members voted by ballot. Walter Ferguson was elected as the Finance Committee Chair with a majority vote from the floor.

Mr. Ferguson nominated Wally Overman to serve as the Finance Committee Vice Chair. Ms. Mosby made a second to the nomination. **Mr. Ferguson made a motion to close the nominations.** Mr. Hunt made a second. The motion carried.

The board members voted by ballot. Wally Overman was elected as the Finance Committee Vice Chair with a majority vote from the floor.

VIII. Consent Agenda

Quality Management New Policy-Accreditation File Review Process

Motion was made by Mr. Overman to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Hunt made a second. The motion carried.

IX. Public Comments

Crystal Foster shared her concern over a lack of services and providers for the Traumatic Brain Injury population in the state of North Carolina.

X. Review of Governing Board Bylaws

Ms. Goodman explained that the Governing Board of Trillium Health Resources currently has a set of Bylaws, but there is a need to make amendments to include the recent change in laws and the new structure that former NCDHHS Secretary, Kody Kinsley approved. Ms. Goodman reviewed the changes in the draft Bylaws and the Resolution detailing the Secretarial Directive. Both documents were included in the board packet.

After discussion, the board chose to maintain that the full board serve as the Finance Committee.

Motion was made by Mr. Ferguson to approve the Trillium Governing Board Bylaws. Mrs. Washington made a second. The motion carried.

XI. Review of Governance Resolutions

Ms. Goodman reviewed the Resolution that was included in the board packet. The Resolution ensures that Trillium is in compliance with North Carolina General Statutes which requires that the board designate a Finance Officer. The Resolution designates the Chief Financial Officer of Trillium as the Finance Officer as well as outlines the duties and responsibilities of the Finance Officer.

Motion was made by Mr. Hunt to approve the Resolution of the Governing Board to designate the Chief Financial Officer of Trillium as the Finance Officer. Mr. Overman made a second. The motion carried.

XII. Meeting Cadence and Locations

Ms. Futrell stated that the Governing Board Bylaws that were just approved state that the board meet at least six times per year at a time and location designated by the Governing Board. Historically, the board met on the fourth Thursday every other month. Ms. Futrell shared a map outlining the location of regional headquarters and the counties where

board members reside. She also shared a draft meeting schedule beginning with March 13, April 24, and June 26, 2025. The March 13, 2025, meeting is slated to be located in Raleigh with training by NCDHHS for the Governing Board members to learn about the regulatory authority and rules of being a board member.

After discussion, the board chose to keep the cadence that is currently in place and to rotate the location of the meetings between the regional headquarters. Meetings will include a virtual option.

Mr. Dean made a motion that the Trillium Governing Board meet on the fourth Thursday at 4:00pm every other month at the various regional headquarters with the following exceptions: March 13, 2025, NCDHHS training in Raleigh. Mrs. Washington made a second. The motion carried.

XIII. Board Comments/Concerns

Mr. Overman led the discussion regarding Kratom, which is an unregulated substance found in over-the-counter products. Mr. Overman stated that during the recent North Central Regional Advisory Board meeting they made a recommendation to request that the Trillium Governing Board submit a Resolution to the North Carolina General Assembly to request that they make Kratom illegal in the state of North Carolina.

Mr. Abbott requested an open discussion and stated that Kratom has practical uses in recovery. Mr. Overman encouraged all members to research the substance before making a request for a Resolution.

Chairman Robinson made a request to have a Trillium staff member provide a presentation on Kratom at the next board meeting.

Ms. Connor shared her concern over the lack of representation on the Trillium Governing Board for the Traumatic Brain Injury population.

XIV. CEO's Report

Ms. Futrell shared her background and provided an overview of Trillium Health Resources. Each of Trillium's Executive Team and Regional Vice Presidents introduced themselves and provided their background.

Tailored Plan Activities

Ms. Futrell provided updates on some of the key areas since the Tailored Plan launch on July 1, 2024.

Other Activities

Ms. Futrell reviewed data of the NC Healthy Opportunities Pilot (HOP) that launched in fifteen of Trillium's Counties on May 15th. Food boxes and housing navigation continue to be the most requested services.

In addition to Trillium's Re-entry Simulations, the Training Department is now also offering a Community Simulation to give participants an opportunity to navigate the challenges families experience supporting children with disabilities.

A detailed report was included in the meeting materials.

Ms. Herrera Picasso requested data regarding members, age, number of providers per county, as well as county funds per member and the distribution of members per county investment. Ms. Futrell explained that information and data is fluid and recommended the use of the Medicaid Enrollment webpage on the DHHS system. She stated that provider information is available on Trillium's website. Ms. Futrell stated that Trillium's Gaps and Needs Report be shared at a future meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Dean to take a ten-minute recess. Holly Connor made a second. The motion carried.

XV. Convene Finance Committee Meeting

Chairman Robinson entertained a motion to recess the Governing Board meeting and to convene the Finance Committee meeting.

XVI. Closed Session to Consult with Trillium's Attorney

Chairman Robinson entertained a motion to enter into closed session, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3).

Motion was made by Mrs. Washington to enter into closed session. Mr. Abbott made a second. The motion carried.

Upon returning to open session, no action was taken.

XVII. Adjournment

Chairman Robinson asked for any further business to be brought before the board. As there was none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion was made by Ms. Washington to adjourn the January 30, 2025, Governing Board meeting. Holly Connor made a second. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:31pm

Minutes prepared by Lisa A. Jarman

Lisa A. Jarman, Minutes Recorder

Date

Denauvo Robinson, Governing Board Chairperson

3/13/2025

Date