

National Association for Behavioral Healthcare



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Board of Trustees
January 27, 2020
Minutes

Roll Call

Present: Members: Pat Hammer, Board Chair; Stuart Archer, Sam Bastien, Michael Cartwright, J.P. Christian, Jennifer Ziccardi-Colson, Mark Covall, Frank Fortunati, Gary Gilberti, Michele Gougeon, John Hollinsworth, Eric Kim, Jameson Norton, Fran Sauvageau, Blair Stam, Harsh Trivedi, Sean Walsh

Staff: Shawn Coughlin, Maria Merlie, Julia Richardson, Sarah Wattenberg, Emily Wilkins, Jessica Zigmund

Absent: Frank Ghinassi, Bob Maha, Eric Paul, Matt Peterson, Chris Roussos, Dominic Sirianni, Ken Weiner

Shawn Coughlin began the call at 3:04 p.m. ET. Shawn welcomed the new Board members, including former NABH President and CEO Mark Covall, who will serve a two-year term on the Board. Shawn also welcomed J.P. Christen, Frank Ghinassi, Fran Sauvageau, Sean Walsh, Ken Weiner, and David Wyman.

Shawn reminded Board members of the Slate that was emailed on Jan. 24. The slate includes:

Pat Hammer, Chair

Jameson Norton Chair Elect

Matt Peterson, First Vice Chair

John Hollinsworth, Second Vice Chair

Chris Roussos, Third Vice Chair

Michele Gougeon, Treasury

Eric Kim, Secretary

Pat made a motion to accept the 2020 Slate of Officers. The motion was seconded and the Board approved the motion unanimously.

Association updates: Shawn said the NABH 2020 Annual Meeting is on track. If you haven't registered or reserved a room yet, please do so. Speakers lined up except for one.

Kirsten Beronio from CMS will join NABH as director of regulation and policy on Monday, Feb. 24. She succeeds Scott Dziengelski in this role.

For 2020, Shawn said NABH continue to focus on our Managed Care initiative. Some activities will include compiling a list of egregious activities and pushing actively for congressional oversight and hearings. Both the Senate Finance Committee and House Energy & Commerce Committee are open to congressional hearings.

NABH is pushing our agency outreach and coordination. We hope to have some key leaders from the agencies participating in our Quality, MAT, and Youth Services Committee meetings at the Annual Meeting in March.

The call adjourned at 3:11 p.m.