

Washington State Health Technology Clinical Committee Meeting

Previous business

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Josh Morse

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Janna Friedly

Great, thank you, Josh. So I think we have on our agenda just two items um, of business. One is our previous minutes, and one is our previous decision. Um and so I think, um we, unless you have anything else, Josh, we need to do before we get started?

Josh Morse

We do not.

Janna Friedly

Um, okay, great. Um, so, um, we will need a, um, motion to approve, uh, the minutes, and all of the, just, uh, for reference, as you all know, the materials were attached to the or on the website and attached to the agenda.

Josh Morse

Yeah, I think Melanie will put those on the screen now

Melanie Golob

Uh, yeah, I can, I can share those. Let me bring them up.

Janna Friedly

And, um, Melanie, we will be using the TT polls for voting for the decision?

Melanie Golob

Uh, yeah, I don't think we'll be using them for the minute, so I don't know, Val, unless I'm mistaken.

Val Hamann

No, that's correct.

Janna Friedly

No. Yeah, just for the, just for the decision. Just want to make sure. Okay.

Melanie Golob

Okay.

Janna Friedly

And I think that all of our committee members were present for the last meeting as well?

Josh Morse

Yes, I think we have the same attempts today that we had June 13th, which is great. Thanks, everyone.

Janna Friedly

Do we, we can probably just go ahead and.

Josh Morse

Yeah, do you have a motion to.

Janna Friedly

Do we have a motion to approve the minutes?

Evan Oakes

Move to approve the minutes.

John Bramhall

And second.

Janna Friedly

Great. And any discussion? Questions? Okay. And all those in favor of um, approving, can you please say aye, I guess?

Laurie Mischley

I.

Evan Oakes

I.

Jonathan Sham

I.

Tony Yen

I.

John Bramhall

I.

Amy Occhino

I.

Clint Daniels

I.

Chris Hearne

I.

Janna Friedly

Yes. Any opposed? Okay, I think we can move to where we can approve the, the minutes, officially.

Josh Morse

Minutes are approved, thank you.

Janna Friedly

Okay, and then, uh, the next, uh, order of business is our, uh, to finalize our decision, uh, from our last, uh, meeting on frenectomy, um, and we can if we can. Yep. Post the.

Melanie Golob

And I'm happy to walk you through this if you'd like, Janna?

Janna Friedly

Sure, yep, that would be great.

Melanie Golob

Okay, uh, and so just as a reminder, these are the steps that have been completed so far. Uh, the presentation the previous meeting, and then following the previous meeting and draft findings and decision there was a public comment period on that, uh, draft findings and decision document. Uh, we received no public comments. Uh, but so the next steps are to review the draft findings and then vote on those for finalization. And so, this is from the decision aid, uh, does the committee approve the findings and decision with any changes noted in discussion? So, next, there can, will be any sort of discussion on whether or not there needs to be any changes. And if, if there's no changes needed, then the process is concluded. If not, then there will be a discussion for next steps. So we can go on. So, we can move into voting, if that sounds good?

Josh Morse

Or would you like to see the language before?

Melanie Golob

Yeah.

Janna Friedly

We should post the, the draft decision.

Josh Morse

Okay, and Melanie, I can, I have that up if you want me to.

Melanie Golob

Okay, yeah, go ahead. Thank you.

Laurie Mischley

And can I be re-sent the link? I didn't, I don't have the vote

Janna Friedly

The TT polls?

Melanie Golob

Yeah, definitely.

Josh Morse

So, on the screen is the draft language from your decision on June 13th that was published for comment.

Janna Friedly

Okay, and does everybody have the polling? Up, anyone having any difficulty?

Evan Oakes

No, just the cutting and pasting, I'm there.

Janna Friedly

Okay.

Val Hamann

And I'm seeing 9 connections, so I will start that poll. We're waiting on one more response. And I will share my screen now, as we have 9 to approve.

Janna Friedly

Great. Great. Thank you. Okay, so we've approved, uh, the decision. Josh, is there any other, um business for us today?

Josh Morse

There is no other business for us today. That concludes the work of the committee today. Thank you very much.

Janna Friedly

Okay. And, um, we have our meeting in September, um. Uh, coming up, um, and so and, um, Laurie, um, just want to take a moment to thank you for your service on the committee. It's been wonderful to work with you, um, and um, we wish you the best in the in your, your, uh, career, and hopefully we will work with you again, but thank you for everything that you have done for the committee, really appreciate it. Um, is Laurie the only person rotating off at this time? I know there's several that are nearing the end of their term.

Josh Morse

Yeah, we're so, um. Thank you, Laurie, for calling out that this may be your last meeting. Uh, we are actively working through applications, and Dr. Mischley did provide some fantastic references, so we're not close uh, we might be a few weeks away from appointing a, um, a member that will take Laurie's place, to be honest, but we are, we do have applications right now that we're reviewing. We're seeking other applicants for the folks that are, you know, at or beyond their terminal limits. We really appreciate those of you that are kind of at your limits, and we haven't identified, um. A recruit yet for your position, but we are seeking that. So if anybody knows, has colleagues or recommends people, we'd love to hear about it. We do reach out once we get the referral. We did have a new appointee who, um, was appointed to the committee last month, but they, um, subsequently and kind of unplanned, had a career move, um, from Seattle to a different city, so uh, we lost that recruit, that new committee member. They didn't even get to a meeting. So, um. But we are working on it. So if you know of anybody you want us to reach out to, or you think would be a good fit, um, for this group, please let us know. Um, we're putting a lot of effort into that. Thanks. And thank you, Laurie.

Laurie Mischley

Thanks. It has been a, everything I do in every other aspect of my life is 100% Parkinson's, and this is the one place I keep coming back to, and, um, you know, starting at kindergarten level

competency, and have you all blow me away with your perspectives and consideration, so I've learned a ton working with all of you.

John Bramhall

It's been great working with you, Laura. You've brought a very interesting and very useful and very intelligent insight to the group, in my opinion, so, thank you. Appreciate it.

Tony Yen

Laurie, thank you for contributing and your service. Really appreciate your perspective.

Janna Friedly

Great. Well, thank you all for participating today, and um, and we will see, well most of you in September. I hope you.

Tony Yen

Bye.

Janna Friedly

Have a great summer.

Laurie Mischley

Thanks, everybody.

Janna Friedly

Bye-bye.