



Board of Directors Redistricting Workshop

Meeting Minutes

Lee Health

Oct 27, 2022 at 3:00 PM EDT

@ 13685 Doctors Way, Fort Myers, FL 33912 GCMC MOB Board Room

Attendance

Members Present:

Kathy Bridge-Liles, Stephen Brown, Diane Champion, Donna Clarke, David Collins, Therese Everly

Members Present (Remote):

Chris Hansen

- I. Welcome, Introductions (Donna Clarke, Board Chair)

The Board of Directors Redistricting Workshop Meeting was called to order at 3:56 pm. by Donna Clarke, Board Chair.

- II. Lee Health Redistricting (George Knott, Board Counsel & Mike Lohr, PSM, GIS Director, Johnson Engineering)

George Knott, Board Counsel, shared with Board Members that 2020 census data concerning population numbers in our current districts needs to be evaluated to determine if redistricting is necessary. He referred to our organizations enabling legislation section 6. (1) (2) (3) that deal with our districts apportionment and boundaries. The workshop today is informational to provide the Board Members education necessary to make informed decisions on the subject. George Knott introduced his partner Asher Knipe to provide insight on constitutional issues that surround redistricting while moving forward with the process. The last time the hospital districts were reevaluated was in 2003 and since that time, Lee county has grown significantly. The growth has been unequal in the districts and to continue to align the populations as equally as practicable as required by law, changes will need to be considered. Asher outlined both federal and state requirements to redistricting. He then turned the meeting back to George Knott, Board Counsel who reminded Board members of the motion they made at the May 26, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting; A motion was made by Nancy McGovern to authorize Johnson Engineering to proceed, in conjunction with Board Counsel, to develop several alternative district maps which follow the Enabling Legislation's mandate that five County health system districts be

configured to be as nearly equal in population as practicable, and otherwise consistent with constitutional requirements.

The motion was seconded by Therese Everly with Stephen Brown, MD opposed.

Chris Hansen did not vote.

Michael L. Lohr, a licensed mapper with Johnson Engineering, Inc. presented the Board members with three (3) proposed map alternatives in addition to a copy of the current Lee County Commissioner's Districts map (formulated on 2010 census data). Discussion ensued.

III. Final Remarks (All)

Chris Hansen left the meeting at 3:56 pm.

George Knott, Board Counsel said the next steps would be a second public workshop will be noticed and public input will be sought on the alternatives.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:17 pm by Donna Clarke, Board Chair.

IV. Adjourn

Date of Next Board of Directors Meeting: Friday, November 18, 2022

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: Gulf Coast Medical Center Board Room, 13685 Doctor's Way Fort Myers, FL 33912

Teleconference: Dial-In #415 655 0002 Access Code 2303 571 3124

Board Workshop Minutes were prepared by Kathy J. Hagen, Assistant to the Board.

Signed:

Diane Champion
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