



PRINCETON BOARD OF HEALTH

Reorganization Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2021

Zoom Meeting * Princeton, NJ 08540

Board Members – Present

George DiFerdinando, Jr. MD, MPH

JoAnn Hill, RN

Rick Weiss, MS

Linda Schwimmer, JD

Meredith Hodach–Avalos, MD

Mona Shah, PhD

Rick Strauss, MD

Kathleen Stillo, MBA, ALT I

Darrell Penn, ALT II

Leticia Fraga, Council Liaison

Board Members – Absent

Students

Lavina Mital & Brendan Chia

Staff

Jeffrey Grosser, MHS, HO, REHS

Minutes submitted by:

Julie Moy, Board Secretary

George T. DiFerdinando, past Chair, called the Reorganizational meeting to order at 7:15 pm. *“This is to affirm that the regularly scheduled meeting of the Princeton Board of Health have been duly advertised and are being conducted in compliance with all provision of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.”*

Roll Call was completed.

This portion of the meeting was held in closed session. The Board will reconvene in open session after the Reorganization.

Election of Chairperson

Dr. DiFerdinando declined his nomination of Chair and nominated Dr. Hodach–Avalos, seconded by Mr. Penn.

The meeting was turned over to Chair Hodach–Avalos to lead the meeting.

Election of Vice-Chairperson

Ms. Schwimmer nominated Dr. DiFerdinando as Vice Chair, seconded by Ms. Hill, all in favor by voice vote.

Election of Secretary

Dr. DiFerdinando nominated Linda Schwimmer as Secretary. Ms. Schwimmer accepted the nomination, which was seconded by Mr. Weiss, all in favor by voice vote, all in favor by voice vote.

Adoption of Resolutions

Resolution 2021–01 – Provision of the Open Public Meetings Act

The motion to approve Resolution 2021–01 – Provision of the Open Public Meetings Act was first made by Ms. Schwimmer, seconded by Mr. Weiss, all in favor by voice vote.

Resolution 2021–02 – Designating the Official Newspapers of the Princeton Board of Health

The motion to approve Resolution 2021–02 – Designating the Official Newspapers of the Princeton Board of Health was first made by Ms. Schwimmer, seconded by Mr. Weiss, all in favor by voice vote.

Resolution 2021–03 – Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Princeton Board of Health

The motion to approve Resolution 2021–03 – Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Princeton Board of Health was first made by Ms. Schwimmer, seconded by Mr. Weiss, all in favor by voice vote.



Appointment of Standing Committees (to meet as necessary)

There was discussion on past standing committees: planning, finance, health and all policies and strategy. Subcommittees did not meet in 2019 due to COVID; they can be created for this year.

The motion to form the *Structural Racism* subcommittee was first moved by Dr. Shah, seconded by Ms. Hill, all in favor by voice vote.

The motion to form the *COVID* subcommittee was first moved by Chair Hodach–Avalos, seconded by Mr. Penn, all in favor by voice vote.

3 subcommittees for this year: COVID, Structural Racism and Planning. Additional subcommittees can be created throughout the year if need.

Planning Subcommittee will include: Ms. Stillo as the lead, Chair Hodach–Avalos and Ms. Schwimmer

Structural Racism Subcommittee will include: Mr. Penn as the lead, Dr. Shah and Dr. Strauss

COVID Subcommittee will include: Ms. Hill, Dr. DiFerdinando and Chair Hodach–Avalos

Princeton Alcohol and Drug Alliance: Ms. Stillo will attend the meetings

Princeton Environmental Commission: attendees will rotate attending meetings

The motion was made to close the Reorganizational Meeting at 8 pm and convene to the regular meeting, was first moved by Mr. Weiss seconded by Dr. DiFerdinando, all in favor by voice vote.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the Reorganizational Meeting at 8 pm and convene into the regular meeting was first moved by Mr. Weiss seconded by Dr. DiFerdinando, all in favor by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by:

Julie Moy
Recording Secretary