

## **State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board**

### **Standing Monthly Meeting January 27, 2021**

The standing monthly meeting of the State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board convened Wednesday, January 27, 2021, in Office of Insurance Conference Room, Suite 901B, in the Woolfolk Building located at 501 North West Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 9:00 a.m. Due to COVID-19 social distancing guidelines, the meeting was held virtually using Microsoft Teams®. A speakerphone was available in Room 138 in the Woolfolk Building for the general public to listen to the meeting. The presiding officer was Ms. Liz Welch, Chairman of the Board. A quorum was present.

#### **Voting Members Present**

Ms. Liz Welch, Chairman  
Mr. Christopher Burkhalter, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Mike Chaney  
Mr. Mark Formby  
Mr. Larry Fortenberry *(Via Teams)*  
Mr. Kelly Hardwick  
Mr. Ray Higgins  
Dr. Andrea Mayfield *(Via Teams)*  
Dr. Alfred Rankins *(Via Teams)*  
Dr. Carey Wright *(Represented by Dr. Felicia Gavin via Teams)*

#### **Non-Voting Members Present**

#### **Voting Members Absent**

None

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The Honorable John Read – Chairman,  
House Appropriations Committee  
The Honorable Walter Michel – Chairman,  
Senate Insurance Committee  
The Honorable Briggs Hopson – Chairman,  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
Vacant – Chairman  
House Insurance Committee

#### **Department of Finance and Administration Staff Present:**

Ms. Cindy Bradshaw  
Ms. Latasha Holmes *(Via Teams)*  
Ms. Amanda Murphy  
Mr. John Anderson *(Via Teams)*  
Ms. Angela Inman *(Via Teams)*  
Mr. Chris Shaman *(Via Teams)*  
Ms. Christina Young *(Via telephone)*

#### **Attorney General's Office Staff Present:**

Ms. Liz Bolin, Esquire

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was chaired and called to order by Ms. Liz Welch, Chairman of the Board.

### **Agenda Item 1: Minutes of the November 18, 2020 Standing Monthly Board Meeting**

Chairman Welch announced that the minutes of the Board's November 18, 2020 standing monthly meeting had been provided to all Board members for their review in advance of today's meeting.

### **Agenda Item 2: Minutes of the December 21, 2020 Standing Monthly Board Meeting**

Chairman Welch announced that the minutes of the Board's December 21, 2020 standing monthly meeting had been provided to all Board members for their review in advance of today's meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Kelly Hardwick for the Board to approve the minutes for November and December as presented. Mr. Mark Formby seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 8 – 0 vote, with members Burkhalter, Formby, Fortenberry, Gavin (designee for member Wright), Hardwick, Higgins, Rankins, and Williams (designee for member Chaney) voting affirmatively.

### **Agenda Item 3: Election of Vice Chairman**

Chairman Welch advised that election of a vice chairman was in order. A motion was made by Mr. Hardwick to elect Mr. Christopher Burkhalter as Vice Chairman to the State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board. Mr. Formby seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 8 – 0 vote, members Burkhalter, Formby, Fortenberry, Gavin, Hardwick, Higgins, Rankins, and Williams voting affirmatively.

### **Agenda Item 4: Consulting Services Contract Renewal**

Chairman Welch recognized Ms. Cindy Bradshaw, State Insurance Administrator with the Office of Insurance, who advised Board members that the Board's contract with The Segal Company, Inc. for consulting services will expire on September 30, 2021, and includes an option to renew for one additional year at the Board's discretion. Ms. Bradshaw briefly described the services provided by Segal and stated that staff recommends that the Board exercise the one-year option, and extend the contract through September 30, 2022. She explained that should the Board choose not to extend the contract, staff will need to initiate the development of a Request for Proposals in order to ensure that the selected contractor will be ready to provide services by October 1, 2021. A motion was made by Mr. Chris Burkhalter to approve extending the consulting services contract with The Segal Company through September 30, 2022. Mr. Larry Fortenberry seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 8 – 0 vote, members Burkhalter, Formby, Fortenberry, Gavin, Hardwick, Higgins, Rankins, and Williams voting affirmatively. Members Chaney and Mayfield joined the meeting after the votes were recorded.

**Agenda Item 5: Financial Statements**

Chairman Welch recognized Ms. Latasha Holmes, Director of Budget and Accounting, who briefly reviewed the financial statements for the State and School Employees' Life and Health Insurance Plan for the months of November and December 2020. Copies of the financial statements were provided to Board members for their review prior to the meeting. No action was required or taken by the Board on this item.

**Agenda Item 6: General Schedule**

Chairman Welch recognized Ms. Bradshaw who reviewed the schedule of major activities and actions to be taken by the Board for the next several months.

**Agenda Item 7: Old Business**

There was no old business for the Board to consider.

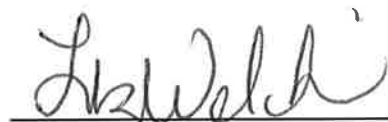
**Agenda Item 8: New Business**

There was no new business for the Board to consider.

**Adjournment**

Chairman Welch announced that the next standing meeting of the State and School Employees Health Insurance Management Board is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 in Room 138 of the Woolfolk Building in Jackson, Mississippi.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 a.m.



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Liz Welch  
Chairman

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