

***Board Meeting Minutes***  
**Connect for Health Colorado**  
***April 11, 2022***  
***12:00 PM to 3:00 PM***

**Board Members Present:** Christy Blakely, Claire Brockbank, Adela Flores-Brennan, Patrick Gordon, Kate Harris (Proxy for Mike Conway), Annie Lee, Lorez Meinhold, Marc Reece, Mike Stahl, and Dick Thompson

**Board Members Absent:** Elisabeth Arenales, Kim Bimestefer, and Dick Thompson

**Staff Present:** Justin Brandon, Brian Braun, David Hague, Jessalyn Hampton, Kelly Davies, Kelly Guthner, Kevin Patterson, Ilana Rivera, Alan Schmitz, Nina Schwartz, Lisa Sevier, Monica VanBuskirk, and Ezra Watland

Teleconference and phone conference lines were available for members of the public to join.

**I. Business Agenda**

- Claire Brockbank called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.
- The minutes from the March Board meeting were reviewed and approved.
- Changes to the agenda: None.
- Disclosure of conflicts of interest: None.

**II. Board Report**

Clair Brockbank will transition off the Connect for Health Colorado Board of Directors in May 2022. Staff will work closely with the Governor's office to determine a replacement.

**III. CEO Report**

Current Special Enrollment Period

The current Tax Time special enrollment period (SEP) will end April 15, 2022.

Open Enrollment Report

Staff discussed the Open Enrollment Report for plan year 2022. A record number of 198,412 Coloradans were enrolled during Open Enrollment (this does not include any SEP). The full interactive By The Numbers Report can be found [here](#).

HIAE

The Health Insurance Affordability Enterprise (HIAE) Board is working closely with the Division of Insurance (DOI) to discuss upcoming implementation and policy making.

#### Planning for the End of the PHE

Chief Executive Officer, Kevin Patterson, attended the Driving Innovation Across States conference held by Princeton University. The conference provided insight and resources for the end of the public health emergency (PHE). The PHE is anticipated to extend through July 2022.

#### **IV. Finance & Operations**

##### Budget Update

Staff provided the Board with a budget update for fiscal year (FY) 2023 outlining budget uncertainties.

##### Approve Annual Auditor

Staff presented the recommendation for Plante Moran to continue as the appointed audit firm for FY22.

The Finance & Operations Committee motioned to recommend the approval of appointment. Mike Stahl seconded the motion.

Ms. Brockbank called for public comment.

No public comment was given.

Ms. Brockbank called for the motion to vote. The motion was accepted as follows:

**Yes:** Christy Blakely, Claire Brockbank, Adela Flores-Brennan, Patrick Gordon, Annie Lee, Lorez Meinhold, Marc Reece, and Mike Stahl

**No:** None

**Abstain:** None

#### **V. Policy Committee**

##### 2022 Legislative Session

Staff presented a State Legislative update. The presentation included updates on Senate Bill 22-081 (SB22-081) and House Bill 22-1269 (HB22-1269), as well as the introduction of House Bill 22-1289 (HB22-1289) "Cover all Coloradans" for Board discussion and consideration.

Staff recommends the Board to take a monitor position for HB22-1289. While there are aspects of HB22-1289 that directly affect Connect for Health Colorado and its consumers, it is a broad bill with several other provisions. Staff will continue to monitor amendments and operational impacts as it moves through the process.

Ms. Brockbank called for public comment.

Public comment given by Allison Mangiaracino, Kaiser Permanente  
Public comment given Daniela Gosselova, Broker.

Ms. Brockbank called for the motion to vote. The motion was accepted as follows:

**Yes:** Christy Blakely, Claire Brockbank, Adela Flores-Brennan, Patrick Gordon,  
Annie Lee, Lorez Meinhold, and Mike Stahl

**No:** None

**Abstain:** None

**VI. Public Comment**

Public comment given by Daniela Gosselova, Broker.

Public comment given by Katie Wallat, Colorado Center on Law and Policy

**VII. Executive Session**

Ms. Brockbank entertained a motion to move into executive session to discuss matters concerning personnel and/or contractual matter. A vote was called for and passed with unanimous approval.

The Executive Session is permitted pursuant to CRS §24-6-402(4)(e) & (c) and 24-6-402(4)(f).

The Board will not return after the executive session, the public portion of the meeting adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

None.

Meeting adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Stahl  
Secretary

**Next Meeting**

May 9, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.