

**Mass Strategic Health Group
Meeting Minutes
Meeting of September 29th, 2021
GBS Gallagher**

Board Members Present:

Tina Landry	Town of Webster
Matthew Wojcik	Douglas Town Administrator
Rich Mathieu	Dudley Charlton RSD Finance and Operations Manager
MaryEllen Cerbone	Dudley Charlton RSD
Jeanne Lovett	Town of Douglas
Tim Bell	Town of Webster

Others Present:

Anthony Lively	Alera/Lively Insurance
Emmilie Roach	Arthur J. Gallagher
Chris Nunnally	Arthur J. Gallagher
Richard Bienvenue	Treasurer MSHG
Patricia Joyce	Abacus Health

The meeting was called to order at 10:05AM

Attendance

There was a roll call of attendees participating via WebEx/conference call.

Introductions

Ms. Landry introduced herself, her back round with the town of Webster and her knowledge of benefits. Mr. Wojcik and Mr. Mathieu introduced themselves and explained why they joined Massachusetts Strategic Health Group. Mr. Bienvenue introduced himself are the treasurer of the group.

Board Member Vote

Mr. Mathieu made a motion to accept Ms. Landry as the board representative for the Town of Webster with Mr. Bell as the alternate. Mr. Wojcik seconded the motion. There was a roll call from the board. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Chair Vote

Mr. Mathieu made a motion to appoint Mr. Wojcik the board chair of Massachusetts Strategic Health Group (MSHG). Ms. Landry seconded the motion. There was a roll call from the board. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Minutes – May 12, 2021

Mr. Mathieu made a motion to accept the meeting minutes from May 12, 2021. Mr. Wojcik seconded the motion. There was a roll call. Ms. Landry abstained. The motion passed.

Meeting Minutes – June 16, 2021

Mr. Mathieu made a motion to accept the meeting minutes from June 16, 2021. Mr. Wojcik seconded the motion. There was a roll call. Ms. Landry abstained. The motion passed.

Meeting Minutes – July 21, 2021

Mr. Mathieu had a correction on the meeting minutes from July 21, 2021. Ms. Roach said she would correct the errors and present them at the next board meeting.

Financial Report

Mr. Nunnally showed the financial report with 2 months of data. Mr. Nunnally said as we sit today the Town of Douglas has a surplus of \$123, 984, the Town of Webster has a surplus of \$109,290 and Dudley Charlton Region School District has a surplus of \$48,710. Mr. Nunnally said we have \$3.3 million dollars in our surplus.

Mr. Nunnally showed the stop loss report; he explained we are currently in the run out period for the last plan year. Mr. Nunnally explained the stop loss balance due to MSHG is \$147,621 but we will continue to watch for additional reimbursements.

Mr. Bienvenue said through June 2021 we have a total equity of \$3,078,639 and we have an estimation of health claims incurred but not reported at \$869,334 compared to June 2020 at \$750,000. Mr. Bienvenue said he is still working on the financial audit for MSHG and hoping to finalize the work for December.

Medicare Renewal

Mr. Nunnally presented the 2022 Medicare renewal he said in 2020 we joined Aetna underneath a 3 year rate cap agreement. Mr. Nunnally said we merged everyone's retiree health plans together besides the drug co pays. Mr. Nunnally explained Dudley Charlton has a richer drug co pay than the Town of Webster and Town of Douglas which is why the renewal is showing a high and low plan. Mr. Nunnally said we came in below our rate caps for 2022 at a \$282.72 for the low plan and \$286.68 for the high plan. Mr. Nunnally said Aetna also included a rate cap for 2023.

Mr. Nunnally said the City of Fall River is asking to join the MSHG Medicare plan. Mr. Nunnally noted they would not be part of the groups experience however; they would be adding 2,600 subscribers which means MSHG Medicare population would then be over 3,000 subscribers. Mr. Nunnally said the benefits to this would allow us to have another year rate cap and reduce the rate cap.

Mr. Mathieu made a motion to accept the 2022 Medicare renewal rates as presented. Ms. Landry seconded the motion. There was a roll call from the board. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Mathieu made a motion to accept the City of Fall River into the Massachusetts Strategic Health group's Medicare plans effective January 1, 2022. Ms. Landry seconded the motion. There was a roll call from the board. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Nunnally showed an Aetna utilization report of the added benefits including meals at home and silver sneakers. Mr. Nunnally said we are working with Aetna and Retiree First to send out more information regarding these programs for members to use it more.

Mr. Mathieu made a motion for Aetna to do further outreach to members on the added benefits they offer. Mr. Wojcik seconded the motion. There was a roll call from the board. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

Mr. Nunnally said the Town of Auburn is looking at joining the group. Mr. Nunnally said we would have the Gallagher underwriter look at the town and see if it would be a good fit.

Next Meeting

The board decided to have a standing meeting every last Thursday of the month.

Mr. Mathieu made a motion to end the meeting at 11:18AM. Ms. Landry seconded the motion. There was a roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

*Submitted by,
Emmilie Roach
Gallagher Benefit Services*