

Health and Wellness Legislative Council Conference Call
March 3, 2020
10:00 a.m.
Minutes

The Maryland State Advisory Council on Health and Wellness held a conference call on 3/3/2020, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Members Present

Mary Backley
Jennifer Eastman
Mychelle Farmer
Gary Gerstenblith
Donna Gugel
Jessica Kiel
Linda Kline
Namisa Kramer
Vivienne Rose
Jason Semanoff
Geeta Sharma
Teresa Titus-Howard
Pamela Xenakis

MDH Staff Present

Maya Nirmalraj
Kristi Pier

Guests Present

N/A

Members Not Present

Sumit Bassi
Angela Deal
Lois Freeman
Margaret Gwaltney
Roger Harrell
Julie Maneen
Seth Martin
David McShea
Aruna Nathan
Josie Ogaitis
Rachel Pigott
Cameron Pollock
Kristin Watson
Anne Williams
Vanina Wolf

1. Open Legislative Council Meeting

Ms. Kiel called the Legislative Council meeting to order at 10:00 AM and held roll call.

2. Approve Minutes

The council suggested additional revisions to the February 25, 2020 minutes; the changes will be made and the minutes will be approved at the next weekly call.

3. Updates

The chair met with the committee chairs on March 2, 2020 to discuss collaboration between the committees. Ms. Pier shared the Council Communications Guide with the chairs which outlines the process of disseminating messages through MDH's Facebook page.

Both **SB 952 (HB 1359)** and **SB 623 (HB 1360)** did receive a quorum from the council. The ad-hoc committee will discuss writing the letters of support. Dr. Farmer stated she can assist with letter writing under guidance of the Arthritis committee.

There will be no weekly call next week on March 10, 2020.

4. Open Comment from Public

There were no comments or questions from the public.

5. Close

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 AM.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 10:00 AM