

**ALASKA MENTAL HEALTH TRUST AUTHORITY  
SPECIAL FULL BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING  
HYBRID  
October 9, 2023  
12:00 p.m.**

**Originating at:  
Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority  
3745 Community Park Loop, Suite 200  
Anchorage, Alaska 99508**

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**Trustees Present:**

Anita Halterman, Chair  
Brent Fisher  
Kevin Fimon  
Agnes Moran  
John Sturgeon  
John Morris  
Rhonda Boyles

**Trust Staff Present:**

Steve Williams  
Katie Baldwin-Johnson  
Miri Smith-Coolidge  
Michael Baldwin  
Allison Biastock  
Kelda Barstad  
Valette Keller

**Trust Land Office staff present:**

Jusdi Warner

**Also participating:**

Gene Hickey; John Springsteen; Jordan Shilling.

## PROCEEDINGS

### CALL TO ORDER

CHAIR HALTERMAN called the meeting to order and began with a roll call. She stated that all trustees were present. She asked for any announcements. There being none, she asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION:** A motion to approve the agenda, as presented, was made by TRUSTEE MORAN; seconded by TRUSTEE MORRIS.

*After the roll-call vote, the MOTION was APPROVED. (Trustee Boyles, yes; Trustee Fisher, yes; Trustee Fimon, yes; Trustee Moran, yes; Trustee Morris, yes; Trustee Sturgeon, yes; Chair Halterman, yes.)*

### ETHICS DISCLOSURES

CHAIR HALTERMAN asked for any ethics disclosures. Hearing and seeing none, she moved to the Governance Discussion.

### GOVERNANCE DISCUSSION

CHAIR HALTERMAN understood there was a motion, and entertained that motion.

MR. HICKEY noted that the motion was amended, and asked for the proper motion to be read.

**MOTION:** Per AS 44.62.310 (c)2 and 3, a motion that the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Full Board of Trustees move into Executive Session to receive legal counsel regarding AMHTA governance documents. The discussion will involve attorney/client privileged communication and subjects that may tend to prejudice the reputation and character of individuals. No decisions will be made in the Executive Session. The motion was made by TRUSTEE FISHER; seconded by TRUSTEE MORAN.

*After the roll-call vote, the MOTION was APPROVED. (Trustee Boyles, yes; Trustee Fisher, yes; Trustee Fimon, yes; Trustee Moran, yes; Trustee Morris, yes; Trustee Sturgeon, yes; Chair Halterman, yes.)*

CHAIR HALTERMAN moved into an Executive Session.

CEO WILLIAMS asked if they were planning to have any staff from the Trust Authority or the Trust Land Office as a part of this Executive Session.

CHAIR HALTERMAN asked what the will of the trustees was.

TRUSTEE FISHER could not think of a reason that he needed anyone in the room.

TRUSTEE MORAN stated that she was fine to start without, and noted that staff would be around if they were needed.

TRUSTEE FIMON stated that he was fine starting without staff, knowing they can be called in if

needed.

TRUSTEE MORRIS agreed with Trustee Fimon.

TRUSTEE STURGEON agreed with Trustees Fimon and Morris.

TRUSTEE BOYLES stated that our work can start and, at some point, she would like a clarification on when we would get input from staff regarding what is being done.

CHAIR HALTERMAN agreed and hoped to get some answers to questions that can be done with the board and then quickly bring in the appropriate staff. Hearing no objection, she called the Executive Session.

MS. SMITH-COOLIDGE asked the trustees and Mr. Hickey to follow the instructions that were sent this morning.

(Executive Session from 12:07 p.m. until 4:10 p.m.)

CHAIR HALTERMAN stated that Trustees Morris and Sturgeon were excused. Trustee Sturgeon was having technical problems, and Trustee Morris had to leave. She took the roll and stated that there was a quorum. She asked for the motion.

**MOTION:** For the Record, TRUSTEE FISHER stated that he, his fellow trustees and members of the Trust Authority and Trust Land Office are returning to the Full Board of Trustees' meeting from the Executive Session. We did not make any decisions during the Executive Session except to give direction to our counsel. The motion was seconded by TRUSTEE MORAN.

*After the roll-call vote, the MOTION was APPROVED. (Trustee Fisher, here; Trustee Moran, here; Trustee Boyles, here; Trustee Fimon, yes; Chair Halterman, yes.)*

CHAIR HALTERMAN stated they were out of Executive Session and have some governance documents forthcoming that would be coming back for public process. Other than that, she had no news for anyone. She stated that they were done with business.

CEO WILLIAMS checked in to see if there was anything related that would be needed to work with the Board and the attorney on the updated documents, the charters and the bylaws, so they could support the Board in this effort going forward.

CHAIR HALTERMAN thanked him and replied not yet. They were going to get a cleaned-up version of the governance document and hope to turn that around. The Board had decided they were to a point where they were ready to share the governance revision recommendations with staff and will need to pull together another session to finalize this work product. She added that she would meet with him to make that happen, but we are not ready to finalize yet. She thanked all for giving up their holiday to work hard today and stated appreciation for that. She entertained a motion for adjournment.

**MOTION:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by TRUSTEE MORAN; seconded by TRUSTEE FISHER.

*After the roll-call vote, the MOTION was APPROVED. (Trustee Moran, yes; Trustee Boyles, yes; Trustee Fisher, yes; Trustee Fimon, yes; Chair Halterman, yes.)*

CHAIR HALTERMAN thanked all and stated appreciation for their time and attention.

(The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Special Full Board of Trustees meeting adjourned at 4:16 p.m.)