MEDICAL UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY (MUHA)
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES
September 4, 2025
101 Colcock Hall/Via Teleconference

The MUHA Board of Trustees convened on August 8, 2025, with the following members present in person: Dr. Melvin Brown, Vice Chair, and Michael Stavrinakis. The following members were present virtually via teleconference: Charles Schulze, Chair; Terri Barnes; Dr. Guy Castles; Dr. Richard Christian; Dr. Paul Davis; Dr. Don Johnson; Barbara Johnson-Williams; Dr. James Lemon; Dr. Murrell Smith; Michael Stavrinakis; and Dr. Bart Witherspoon.

Staff present in person: Dr. David Cole; Dr. Pat Cawley; Katherine Haltiwanger; Susan Barnhart; Annette Drachman; Heather Mallard; Tom Crawford; Dawn Hartsell; and Shelli Beebe. Staff present virtually via teleconference: Mark Sweatman; Doug Lischke; and Matt Severance.

Item 1. **Call to Order**.

There being a quorum present, Chairman Schulze called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Item 2. **Roll Call for the MUHA and MUSC Board of Trustees.**

Katherine Haltiwanger, Board Secretary, called the roll and stated that "in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification."

Item 3. **Date of Next Regular Meeting.**

Katherine Haltiwanger reported that the date of the next meeting is October 10, 2025.

Item 4. **Executive Session**.

A motion was made by Dr. Melvin Brown, Vice Chairman, to move into closed session to discuss negotiations of contracts related to an enhanced membership interest in Tidelands and expansion of other clinical services, pursuant to sections 30-4-70(a)(2) and 30-4-40(a)(1).

Board Action: The motion made by Dr. Brown was seconded, voted on, and unanimously carried. Chairman Schulze announced that the Board of Trustees would now move into closed session at 5:38 p.m.

At 5:54 p.m., the Board returned to open session with no action taken.

Item 5. **Proposed Approval of a Resolution and Agreement(s)**

Dr. Patrick Cawley, CEO, MUSC Health, presented a proposed resolution authorizing the Medical University Hospital Authority to enter into such agreements or other documents related to the acquisition of an enhanced membership interest in Georgetown Hospital System d/b/a Tidelands Health. Administration recommended that the resolution and agreements be approved.

Board Action: Chairman Schulze moved for approval of the resolution and agreements. The motion to approve the resolution and agreements was seconded, voted on, and unanimously carried.

Item 6. New Business for the Board of Trustees.

None.

Item 7. Report from the Chairman.

None.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was officially adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine S. Haltiwanger

Board Secretary