

Meeting Minutes DCT Executive Board Meeting

Thursday, July 17

Direct Care and Treatment

3200 Labore Road Suite 104 Vadnais Heights, MN 55110

(Meeting was held with a virtual option for board members and the public)

3:00 PM – 4:43 PM

DCT Executive Board Attendees

Board Chair Carol Olson, Cathy Chavers, Mary Maertens, John Dinsmore, Dr. Paul Goering, Lynn Butcher, Dr. Prachi Striker, Laurie Halverson

DCT Staff in Attendance

Marshall E. Smith, Dr. KyleeAnn Stevens, Dale Klitzke, Amy Chantry, Carrie Briones, Lynn Glancey, Wade Brost, Connie Jones, Nathan Moracco, Chris Sprung, Nancy Freeman, Breanna Drummer, Kari Gallagher

3:00 p.m. Introductions/Roll Call

- A quorum was established based on the number of members present, allowing the board to proceed with official business.

Board Member	Present	Not Present	Abstain/Absent
Carol Olson	X		
Dr. Paul Goering	X		
Shireen Gandhi			Absent
Mary Maertens	X		
John Dinsmore	X		
Dr. Prachi Striker	X		
Catherine Chavers	X		
Laurie Halvorson	X		
Lynn Butcher	X		

3:05 p.m. Review June Meeting Minutes

- Dr. Prachi Striker motioned to approve the June meeting minutes; Dr. Paul Goering seconded. All in favor, no opposition. **Motion passes**

Board Member	Vote For	Vote Against	Abstain/Absent
Carol Olson	X		
Dr. Paul Goering	X		
Shireen Gandhi			Absent
Mary Maertens	X		
John Dinsmore	X		
Dr. Prachi Striker	X		
Catherine Chavers	X		

- 3:10 p.m. Fundamental Duties of Directors (Board Chair Carol Olson)
- Board Chair Carol Olson presented “Fundamental Duties of Directors”
 - Discussed options for public comments in future meetings
- 3:25 p.m. Orientation Recap: First Six Month (Board Chair Carol Olson)
- Board Chair Carol Olson and other board members shared a recap of their first six months participating in orientation. This included tours of DCT facilities, an overview of DCT programs and services, and opportunities to learn more about the work across DCT. Members reflected on the value of the orientation experience and expressed appreciation for the chance to build understanding before beginning their official board duties.
- 3:50 p.m. Overview of Direct Care and Treatment (DCT) Separation (Marshall E. Smith)
- Overview of Direct Care and Treatment (DCT) Separation
 - Marshall E. Smith presented an “Overview of Direct Care and Treatment (DCT) Separation”
 - Legislative Update
 - Carrie Briones presented a “ Legislative Update”
 - Minnesota Hospital Association (MHA) Training and Board Attendees
 - The Minnesota Hospital Association (MHA) was noted as a valuable partner offering leadership training, statewide resources, and trustee conferences in January and July. These conferences provide opportunities for networking, learning about state and national trends, comparing practices across systems, and identifying benchmarks for improvement.
 - Three board members requested to attend the MHA Summer Trustee Conference. As travel and compensation for events outside regular board or committee meetings require board approval, the request was brought forward for consideration.
 - Cathy Chavers motioned to approve sending the three board members to the MHA Summer Trustee conference, and Mary Maertens seconded. All were in favor, no opposition. **Motion passes.**

Board Member	Vote For	Vote Against	Abstain/Absent
Carol Olson	X		
Dr. Paul Goering	X		
Shireen Gandhi			Absent
Mary Maertens	X		
John Dinsmore	X		
Dr. Prachi Striker	X		
Catherine Chavers	X		

- Budget 2026
 - Lynn Glancey, DCT Chief Financial Officer (CFO), presented “Budget 2026” to board members
 - John Dinsmore motioned to approve the Budget 2026 and Dr. Prachi Striker seconded. All in favor, no opposition. **Motion passes.**

Board Member	Vote For	Vote Against	Abstain/Absent
Carol Olson	X		
Dr. Paul Goering	X		
Shireen Gandhi			Absent
Mary Maertens	X		
John Dinsmore	X		
Dr. Prachi Striker	X		
Catherine Chavers	X		

- 4:10 p.m. Bylaws Review and Discussion (Dale Klitzke)
- Dale Klitzke, DCT General Counsel, provided an update on the bylaws review. He noted that the draft is not yet ready for board consideration.
 - Work on the bylaws will continue, and a finalized version will be brought to the board for approval at a future meeting.

- 4:43 p.m. Meeting Adjourned
- John Dinsmore made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dr. Prachi Striker seconded. All in favor, no opposition. **Motion passes**

Board Member	Vote For	Vote Against	Abstain/Absent
Carol Olson	X		
Dr. Paul Goering	X		
Shireen Gandhi			Absent
Mary Maertens	X		
John Dinsmore	X		
Dr. Prachi Striker	X		
Catherine Chavers	X		