

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

January 23, 2025

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Vaya Health conducted its regular meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2025, at the DoubleTree Hotel, located at 115 Hendersonville Road, Asheville, NC 28803; with PUBLIC ACCESS via electronic communication only (real-time two-way audio and/or visual communication, i.e., telephone and Microsoft Teams).

Committee Members:	Attending:	Apologies:
Nancy Baker	X	
Ronnie Beale, Chair	X	
Dan Brummitt, Vice Chair	X	
Billy Kennedy	X	
Mike Norris	X (Virtual)	

Also participating in Executive Committee:

Tracy J. Hayes, Area Director & Chief Executive Officer; Steve Martin, General Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer; Larry Hill, EVP & Chief Financial Officer; Rhonda Cox, Executive Vice President (EVP) & Chief Operating Officer; Richard Zenn, Chief Medical Officer; Robert Webb, EVP & Chief Information Officer; Danielle Wittekind, Chief Human Resources Officer; JK Coward, Board Attorney; Mickie Hilbert, Chief of Staff- Information Systems Division; Mikhail Korolchuk, Support Specialist II; Ashley Logan, Board Support & Administrative Professional; Gwen Hensley, Clerk to the Board; and no members of the public.

A. Welcome and Call to Order

Mr. Ronnie Beale, Executive Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m. Ms. Ashley Logan, Board Support & Administrative Professional, called roll at the request of Mr. Beale, confirming a quorum of the Executive Committee.

B. Approval of Agenda and December 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Billy Kennedy made a motion to approve the Agenda and Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Ms. Nancy Baker seconded the motion.

Motion unanimously approved.

C. Report of the Chair

Mr. Ronnie Beale, Executive Committee Chair, expressed his appreciation to Vaya and all the Staff for the support shown during the Hurricane Helene relief efforts. Mr. Beale spoke about the effects the disaster has had on our communities.

D. Report of the Area Director and Chief Executive Officer

Ms. Tracy Hayes, Area Director & Chief Executive Officer, began by expressing her appreciation to Ms. Ashley Logan, Ms. Gwen Hensley, and Ms. Mickey Hilbert for their efforts supporting the Annual Board retreat.

Ms. Hayes informed the Committee that the biggest impact we are seeing from Hurricane Helene disaster relief is housing. In Buncombe County alone, over 9,000 residential units are uninhabitable. Many were completely destroyed, while others are deemed unsafe. The housing crisis is severe, and there is no clear timeline for when properties will be available. Ms. Hayes emphasized that we are developing strategies to support housing needs. Addressing mental health or substance use challenges is nearly impossible without safe housing. The aftermath of Hurricane Helene will have long-term impacts on Western North Carolina, but Vaya is committed to meeting our obligations across all of our counties.

E. Closed Session

Closed Session pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11(a)(1) in order to prevent the disclosure of competitive health care information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §122C-126.1, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes; or to consult with attorneys pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11(a)(3); or to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, or conditions of appointment, of an individual public officer or employee pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11(a)(6).

Mr. Billy Kennedy made a motion for the Executive Committee to enter closed session. Ms. Nancy Baker seconded the motion.

Motion unanimously approved.

The Executive Committee entered closed session at 1:27 p.m.

Mr. Billy Kennedy made a motion for the Executive Committee to exit closed session. Ms. Nancy Baker seconded the motion.

Motion unanimously approved.

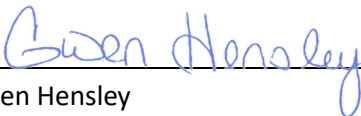
The Executive Committee resumed open session at 3:10 p.m.

F. Other Business

No other business was discussed.

G. Adjournment

The Executive Committee adjourned by consensus at 3:11 p.m.



Gwen Hensley
Board Clerk