



**Maryland Economic Development Corporation**  
**April Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting Date: April 21, 2025**  
**Meeting Location: Virtual (MS Teams)**

**Board Members:**

Present: The following board members were in attendance virtually: Scott Dorsey, Chairperson; Tehma Smith Wilson, Esq., Treasurer; Jim Soltesz (incoming board member); Andy Fish (attending on behalf of Commerce); Eric Costello; Jaclyn Hartman (attending on behalf of Department of Transportation); Harry Coker Jr., Secretary, Maryland Department of Commerce; Jessica Underwood, Esq.; Omar Karim; Dr. Gina Merritt, and J. Thomas Sadowski, Jr., Secretary.

Absent: Richard Woo, Vice Chairperson; Ex Officio; Paul Wiedefeld, Ex Officio, and Keasha Haythe.

**Others Present Virtually:**

MEDCO Team Members: Francina Brinker, Izara Crown, Candace Dodson-Reed, Jared Engel, John Genakos, Nick Henninger-Ayoub, Debbie Hontz, Sarah Horta, Donny James, Blake Longley, Matt Lucas, Daniel McCrea, Heleana McFadden, Jim Miller, Katie Parks, April Perry, Wyatt Shiflett, Armand Walters, and Danielle Wildman.

MEDCO Guest Present Virtually: Michele Whelley (MEDCO Consultant), and Manny Welsh (Deputy Chief of Staff to the Governor),

**Proceedings:**

Scott Dorsey, Chairperson asked MEDCO Chief Financial Officer, Jim Miller, to provide an overview of the Treasurer's report while waiting for a quorum to join the meeting.

Jim Miller, MEDCO Chief Financial Officer, presented the Treasurer's report highlighting key financials.

Following the announcement that a quorum was reached, the meeting of the MEDCO Board of Directors was called to order by Scott Dorsey, Chairperson, on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, at 10:48 AM. The board meeting was recorded live and is posted on the MEDCO website ([www.medco-corp.com](http://www.medco-corp.com))

Subsequently Chairperson Scott Dorsey indicated a desire to move the approval of the minutes to the end of the agenda and start with agenda item four the presentations of the resolutions.

The first item presented was the Metro West resolution presented by MEDCO Director of Financing, Wyatt Shiflett.

**Discussion:**

Board Member Omar Karim inquired about the selection process related to the Metro West resolution, specifically whether Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) were being considered. In response, Wyatt Shiflett provided a detailed explanation, noting that the project is currently seeking a project manager and that the Request for Proposals (RFP) includes provisions addressing MBE participation. He further stated that some of the contractors involved are, in fact, MBEs. Additionally, Mr. Shiflett clarified that while certain legal limitations restrict the use of specific language in the RFP, active efforts are nonetheless being made to ensure the inclusion of MBEs in the project.

A motion to approve the Metro West resolution was made by Eric Costello, seconded by Jessica Underwood, Esq., and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next item presented was the Prince George's County Public School (PGCPS) resolution presented by MEDCO Director of Financing, Wyatt Shiflett.

A motion to approve the Prince George's County Public School (PGCPS) resolution was made by Eric Costello, seconded by Harry Coker Jr., and unanimously approved by the Board.

The third resolution presented was the Morgan State University (MSU) resolution presented by MEDCO Director of Financing, Wyatt Shiflett.

A motion to approve the Morgan State University (MSU) resolution was made by Omar Karim, seconded by Harry Coker Jr., Secretary and unanimously approved by the Board.

Subsequently, Chairperson Scott Dorsey, indicated that the board should revisit the approval of the February Board meeting minutes.

A motion of approval for the February Board meeting minutes was made by Jessica Underwood, Esq., seconded by Eric Costello, and unanimously approved by the Board.

The fifth item on the agenda was the organizational and legislative updates presented by MEDCO Executive Director, Thomas Sadowski, highlighting key initiatives and ongoing projects.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chairperson Scott Dorsey. The motion was seconded by Board Members Omar Karim and Harry Coker Jr. with unanimous approval from the Board.

The MEDCO Board of Directors meeting ended at approximately 11:42 AM. The next board meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2025

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