**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Brain Injury Oversight Committee will be held on February 18, 2022, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM and the meeting will be held by in person only. The meeting will be held at the Nebraska Health Care Association 1200 Libra Drive, Suite 100, Lincoln. The agenda and meeting materials to be discussed by the committee can be found at <https://www.unmc.edu/aboutus/community-engagement/bioc/index.html>. If members of the public and media have further questions about the meeting, contact Jamie Stahl at (402) 559-6300 or [Jamie.stahl@unmc.edu](mailto:Jamie.stahl@unmc.edu).

The Nebraska Open Meetings Act may be accessed at <https://nebraskalegislature.gov/laws/statutes.php?statute=84-1407>.

**BRAIN INJURY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

**MEETING AGENDA**

Feb. 18th, 2022

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

1. Call to order
2. Open Meetings Act Statement
3. Introductions and roll call
4. Approval of the agenda
5. Public Comment
6. Approval of Minutes of the previous meeting, December 3, 2021
7. Review of Committee Member Term Appointments and upcoming expirations
8. LB-971 Post Hearing Update
9. FY2021 Brain Injury Trust Fund Recipient Update:
   1. Brain Injury Alliance of Nebraska report on activities covering July 1st to December 31st 2021, guest speaker Liz Gebhart-Morgan
10. Discussion of BI Trust Fund Application Process
11. Next meeting March 18th 1:30-3:30 PM virtual meeting
12. Adjourn

# **Brain Injury Oversight Committee Meeting**

**Feb. 18, 2022**

**1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**

**Meeting held:**

**Nebraska Health Care Association, 1200 Libra Dr., Lincoln, NE**

**Draft MEETING MINUTES**

*Public notice of upcoming meetings will be available on the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) website https://www.unmc.edu/aboutus/community-engagement/bioc/index.html at least 10 days before each meeting.*

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Jeff Baker Anna Cole, Peggy Reisher, Shir Smith, Shauna Dahlgren, Dr. Kody Moffatt, Lindy Foley, and

**MEMBERS ABSENT**: Joni Dulaney, Kevin Karmazin, Sheri Dawson, Caryn Vincent

**UNMC STAFF PRESENT**: Mike Hrncirik

**Invited Guest**: Liz Gebhart-Morgan

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Brain Injury Oversight Committee commenced at 1:21 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE AVAILABILITY OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

Public notification of this meeting was made on the UNMC website and Mike Hrncirik had copies of the open meeting act.

**INTRODUCTIONS AND ROLL CALL**

Shauna Dahlgren called on each committee member to introduce themself.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**The agenda was reviewed. Jeff Baker moved to approve the agenda. Dr. Kody Moffatt seconded the motion, and the motion was carried by unanimous consent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public members were present.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes from Dec. 3, 2021, meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Dr. Kody Moffatt and seconded by Shir Smith to approve the Dec. 3 meeting minutes. There were no objections to the motion, and it was carried by unanimous consent.

**REVIEW OF COMMITTEE MEMBER TERM APPOINTMENTS AND UPCOMING EXPIRATIONS**

Chair, Shauna Dahlgren stated that Peggy Reisher, Kevin Karmazin, and Judy Nichelson’s terms have been up since Oct. 2021. Shauna contacted the Governor’s office to inquire when new appointments/reappointments would be made. When Shauna inquired, the Governor’s office stated they still had not decided who would be appointed. Shauna reminded the committee that the Attorney General’s office told her that members with expired terms should continue to serve until reappointment or replacement members are chosen by the Governor.

**LB 971 POST-HEARING UPDATE**

Shauna reported she had testified in favor of LB 971 during its hearing in front of the Appropriations Committee on Jan. 28, 2022. Senator McDonnel’s office reported this was a “clean up” bill since the funds don’t truly meet the definition of a trust fund since the funds come from the Health Care Cash Fund. Senator McDonnel’s office shared this explanation, “This bill eliminates the Brain Injury Trust Fund. The separate fund is not needed as appropriations are made directly from the Health Care Cash Fund which is the source of funding for the act. Additionally, although the fund was called a trust fund, it does not meet the definition of a trust fund which is a fund controlled by a trust. With the references to the fund removed, the act is renamed the Brain Injury Assistance Act.”

**FY2021 BRAIN INJURY TRUST FUND RECIPIENT UPDATE**

Liz Gebhart-Morgan from Partners for Insightful Evaluation (PIE) reported on the BIA-NE activities from July 1 to Dec. 31, 2021. For the full report please see BIA-NE Trust Fund Report and Resource Facilitation Data Summary for July 1 to Dec. 31, 2021. Committee members were asked if there is any additional information they would like to see in preparation for the final report which will be shared in July 2022. Dr. Kody Moffatt stated he felt the report was very thorough and no other information was needed from his perspective. No other committee members requested additional information at this time.

**DISCUSSION OF BI TRUST FUND APPLICATION PROCESS**

The committee reviewed the drafted application outline. Shauna reported the subcommittee has not had time to put a lot of detail into the draft but felt it was a good start. Mike Hrncirik stated that he would help the committee put together an application process that would need to be approved by the committee. He will work with UNMC pre-award personnel at UNMC to get suggestions for the application process. The goal is to have the committee vote on the application process at the March meeting so there is time for applicants to apply and for the committee to review and approve the disbursement of the funds before June 30, 2022.

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Upcoming committee meetings are as listed below:

* March 18 1:30 to 3:30 virtually
* April 15 1:00 to 3:00 virtually
* May 20 1:00 to 3:00 in person

**ADJOURN**A motion was made by Kody and seconded by Jeff with unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting at 3:06 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Peggy Reisher, Brain Injury Oversight Committee Secretary