



**Pennsylvania Health Insurance Exchange Authority d/b/a Pennie®
BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

Date: December 12, 2025
Time: 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Location: Microsoft Teams meeting

• **Preliminary Matters**

- **Call to Order**
- **Roll Call**

- Commissioner Mike Humphreys, Pennsylvania Insurance Department (Chair)
- Sheryl Kashuba, UPMC Health Plan (Vice Chair) - **Present**
- Secretary Dr. Debra Bogen, Department of Health
 - **Aven Bittinger, Designee- Present**
- Joel Hopkins, Capital Blue Cross - **Present**
- Antoinette Kraus, Pennsylvania Health Access Network - **Present**
- Amy Lowenstein, PA Health Law Project - **Absent**
- Alexis Miller, Highmark - **Present**
- Dr. Tracey Conti, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center – **Not Attending**
- Secretary Valerie Arkoosh, Department of Human Services - **Present**
- Koleen Cavanaugh, IBX - **Present**
- Tia Whitaker, Pennsylvania Association of Community Health Centers - **Present**

- **Minutes**

- The Board will review and vote to approve minutes for the October Board Meeting.

Motion: *To adopt the minutes of the **October 16, 2025**, meeting of the PHIEA Board of Directors.*

- Motion: Antoinette Kraus
- Second: Tia Whitaker
- Discussion: None
- Board Decision: Unanimous

- **Opportunity for Public Comment**

- The floor was opened for public comments, of which there were none.

- **Executive Director's Report**

- Federal updates - Executive Director Trolley gave an update on the Federal updates since the Board last met in October.
- Open Enrollment Report
 - Enrollment data (trends/disenrollments) – Executive Director Trolley reviewed the enrollment trends being seen in this Open Enrollment.
 - OE policies from October BOD meeting - Executive Director Trolley provided an overview of the policy options discussed in the October Board meeting.



- **Health Equity Accreditation Regulation**

- **Motion:**

- *Because Pennie's efforts in closing insurance gaps across populations have been successful, to authorize Pennie to not move forward with promulgating regulations on health equity accreditation.*

- - Motion: Joel Hopkins
 - Second: Secretary Valerie Arkoosh
 - Discussion: None
 - Board Decision: Unanimous

- **Adjourn** – the public portion of the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM

- **Executive Session**

- The Pennie Board of Directors held an executive session to discuss legally privileged or confidential matters, to seek legal counsel, discuss personnel matters, or to review or discuss agency business that is legally protected by law.