

MET GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes for Meeting of

Tuesday April 14, 2026

2 PM

Meeting held virtually via Google Meet and conference call.

Committee members present: Toby Lloyd (Chair), Megan Benjamin, Lori Lynch, Gary Burnett, Nathan Volke, John Turgeon (MET Director, non-voting)

Committee members absent:

1. There were no questions or comments from the Committee regarding the draft minutes of their 1/13/26 meeting, which were emailed to the Committee prior to this meeting. **Ms. Lynch made a motion for approval of the said minutes, Ms. Benjamin seconded. All voted in favor of approving the minutes.**
2. Mr. Lloyd updated the Committee regarding the vacancies on MET's Board. Mr. Lloyd indicated that he reached out to Delegate Natalie Ziegler (ex officio MET Trustee) who offered to contact Senator Katie Hester about MET's Board vacancies that need nominations from the Senate President. Mr. Turgeon said he will reach out to the DNR's legislative director Lydia McPherson for assistance. She has previously reached out to the Senate President's office on our behalf.
3. The Committee discussed the two additional board vacancies coming 5/31/26, when the second terms for both Toby Lloyd and Mark Hoffman will expire. For these vacancies MET will need one candidate recommendation from the Senate President, and one recommendation from the Speaker of the House.

Mr. Turgeon contacted Diana Conway about serving a second term as Trustee (6/1/26 through 5/31/30), and she is interested. Her current term expires 5/31. **Ms. Lynch made a motion to recommend the MET Board elect Diana Conway to a second term as Trustee. Ms. Benjamin seconded the motion. All voted in favor.**

4. The Committee discussed a slate of candidates interested in serving on the MET Board's Executive Committee starting 6/1. Mr. Burnett will have completed the maximum two 2-year terms as Board Chair at the end of May. Mark Hoffman (Treasurer) and Toby Lloyd (Secretary) are both stepping off the Board at the end of May. Ms. Benjamin is interested in serving as the next Board Chair. Ms. Lynch is interested in serving as Vice Chair. Trustee Keith Colston is interested in serving as Secretary. Trustee Julia King is interested in serving as Treasurer.
 - a. **Ms. Lynch made a motion to recommend that the MET Board elect Megan Benjamin to serve as Board Chair for a two-year term from 6/1/26 through 3/31/28. Nathan Volke seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor.**
 - b. **Ms. Benjamin made a motion to recommend that the MET Board elect Lori Lynch to serve as Board Vice-Chair for a two-year term from 6/1/26 through 3/31/28. Nathan Volke seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor.**
 - c. **Ms. Lynch made a motion to recommend that the MET Board elect Julia King to serve as Board Treasurer for a one-year term from 6/1/26 through 5/31/27.**

Nathan Volke seconded the motion. Mr. Turgeon pointed out that Ms. King's first term on the Board expires on 5/31/27. Thus, this term as Treasurer is for one year only. If the Board re-elects Ms. King to a second term as Trustee in 2027, she will be eligible to serve again as Treasurer. **All voted in favor.**

- d. **Mr. Lloyd made a motion to recommend that the MET Board elect Keith Colston to serve as Board Secretary for a two-year term from 6/1/26 through 3/31/28.**
Nathan Volke seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor.
5. There was no other business.

THE NEXT MET GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING IS TUESDAY, May 12, 2026, 2 PM.