

Task Force on Medical Cannabis Therapeutic Research
January 6, 2017 2:00 p.m.
State Office Building – Room 500N

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Senator Scott Dibble, Chair

James Backstrom

Duane Bandel

Maria Botker (via telephone)

Dr. Edward Ehlinger, Commissioner of Health

Vincent Hayden, PhD

David Kolb

Doreen McIntyre (via telephone)

Jeff Schiff for Emily Johnson Piper, Commissioner of Human Services (via telephone)

Dr. Charles Reznikoff

Sarah Wellington

Dr. Dawn Wyllie (via telephone)

Members Excused

Ramona Dohman, Commissioner of Public Safety

Dennis Flaherty

Karina Forrest-Perkins

James Franklin

Representative Patrick Garofalo

Representative Laurie Halverson

Senator Bill Ingebritsen

Jeremy Pauling

Laura Schwartzwald

Call to Order:

Senator Scott Dibble, Chair of the Task Force on Medical Cannabis Therapeutic Research, called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm in Room 500N of the State Office Building.

A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

James Backstrom moved approval of the minutes from the August 31, 2016 meeting. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Dr. Ed Ehlinger, Commissioner of Health, spoke regarding his decision to add PTSD to the list of qualifying conditions and topicals to the list of delivery methods.

Darin Teske, Policy and Legal Advisor, Office of Medical Cannabis, presented an update on the Minnesota Medical Cannabis program.

Dr. Tom Arneson, Research Manager, Office of Medical Cannabis, Susan Anderson, Research Scientist, Office of Medical Cannabis, and Deepa McGriff, Office of Medical Cannabis, presented an update on the research being done and data collected in the Office of Medical Cannabis.

Darin Teske, Policy and Legal Advisor, Office of Medical Cannabis, led the members through the changes made to the Task Force Implementation Report to Legislature and collected further changes.

Public Testimony

Cassie Traun, Citizen

Maren Schroeder, Citizen

Anthony Roberts, Citizen

Bob Smutka, Citizen

Next Meeting

To be determined.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:02 pm.