

Task Force on Medical Cannabis Therapeutic Research  
September 10, 2014  
Room 10, State Office Building

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Senator Scott Dibble, Co-Chair  
Representative Carly Melin, Co-Chair  
Duane Bandel  
Maria Botker  
Dennis Flaherty  
Dr. Pamela Gonzalez  
Lucinda Jesson, Commissioner of Human Services  
David Kolb  
Jeremy Pauling  
Senator Branden Peterson  
Dr. Charles Reznikoff  
Sarah Wellington  
Dr. Dawn Wyllie

Members Absent:

James Backstrom  
Dr. Edward Ehlinger, Commissioner of Health  
Ramona Dohman, Commissioner of Public Safety  
James Franklin  
David Hartford  
Vincent Hayden, PhD  
Representative Patrick Garofalo  
Karina Forrest-Perkins  
Doreen McIntyre  
Laura Schwartzwald

CALL TO ORDER:

Representative Melin, Co-Chair, called the meeting of the Task Force on Medical Cannabis Therapeutic Research to order at 1:04 pm. A quorum was present.

WELCOME AND OVERVIEW:

Co-Chairs Senator Dibble and Representative Melin gave a brief welcome and update on administrative issues.

PRESENTATION ON SCIENTIFIC OVERVIEW OF MEDICAL CANNABIS:

Dr. Kalpna Gupta, PhD., University of Minnesota, presented the Scientific Overview of Medical Cannabis.

UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION:

Manny Munson-Regala, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Health, and Michelle Larson, Director, Office of Medical Cannabis, gave an update on implementation progress including: Staffing,

Manufacturer RFAs, Manufacturer Expedited Rules, Patient Application and Health Care Provider Expedited Rules.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

Kurtis Hannah, member of the public, commented on his efforts to get cannabis rescheduled.

OTHER BUSINESS, NEXT STEPS:

The next meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2014 at 1:30 pm.

The Task Force adjourned at 3:38 pm.