

**Medical University Hospital Authority (MUHA) Board of Trustees**  
**Special Called Meeting Minutes**  
**March 2, 2026**  
**Colcock Hall Boardroom, 19 Bee Street, Charleston/Via Video Conference**

The MUHA Board of Trustees convened on March 2, 2026, with the following members present via video conference: Mr. Charles Schulze, Chairman; Dr. Melvin Brown, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Terri Barnes; Mr. Jim Battle; Dr. Guy Castles; Dr. Richard Christian; Dr. Paul Davis; Dr. Don Johnson; Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams; Dr. James Lemon; Dr. Murrell Smith; Mr. Michael Stavrinakis; and Dr. Bart Witherspoon.

Staff present in person: Dr. Pat Cawley; Ms. Katherine Haltiwanger; Mrs. Susan Barnhart; Mrs. Annette Drachman; Dr. Saj Joy; Mr. Doug Lischke; and Dr. Terry Steyer. Staff present via video conference: Dr. David Cole; Mr. Mark Sweatman; and Mr. Matt Severance.

**Item 1. Call to Order.**

There being a quorum present, Chairman Charles Schulze called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Item 2. Roll Call for the MUHA and MUSC Board of Trustees.**

Ms. Katherine Haltiwanger, Board Secretary, called the roll and stated that “in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification.”

**Item 3. Executive Session.**

A motion was made by Chairman Charles Schulze, to move into closed session to discuss negotiations of contracts related to the purchase of a membership interest in a primary care practice primarily in the Tri-County area.

Board Action: The motion made by Chairman Charles Schulze was seconded, voted on, and unanimously carried. Chairman Schulze announced that the Board of Trustees would now move into closed session at 7:03 p.m.

At 7:16 p.m., the Board returned to open session with no action taken.

**Item 4. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing MUHA to Fund the Purchase of a Membership Interest in a Primary Care Practice in the Tri-County Area**

Dr. Patrick Cawley, CEO, MUSC Health, presented a proposed resolution authorizing MUHA to enter into such agreements or other documents related to the acquisition of 100% of the memberships interest in a Primary Care Practice in the Tri-County area. Administration recommended that the resolution and agreements be approved. Administration recommended that the resolution and agreements be approved as presented with the addition of the name and the purchase amount added after the transaction closed.

Board Action: Chairman Charles Schulze moved for approval of the resolution and agreements. The motion to approve the resolution and agreements was seconded, voted on, and unanimously carried.

**Item 5. Other Business for the Board of Trustees.**

None.

**Item 6. Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Charles Schulze made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

*Board Action: The motion made by Chairman Charles Schulze was seconded, voted on, and unanimously carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

*Katherine S. Haltiwanger*

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Chief Advisor to the Board of Trustees  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees