

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday January 16, 2024, 2-3 p.m. ET  
Zoom

### IN ATTENDANCE (ALPHA ORDER)

<b>Ellen Beckjord, PhD, MPH, FSBM</b> President-Elect	<b>Brian D. Gonzalez, PhD</b> Member Delegate	<b>Margaret L. Schneider, PhD, FSBM</b> Immediate Past-President and Chair, Leadership Identification and Inclusion Committee
<b>Danielle Arigo, PhD, LP</b> Chair, Membership Council	<b>Jun Ma, MD, PhD, FAHA</b> Chair, Publications Council	<b>Sandra J. Winter, PhD, MHA</b> Secretary/Treasurer and Chair, Finance Committee
<b>Joanna Buscemi, PhD</b> Member Delegate	<b>Sharon L. Manne, PhD, FSBM</b> Chair, Scientific Education Council	
<b>Bernard Fuemmeler, PhD, MPH, FSBM</b> President	<b>Scherezade Mama, DrPH</b> Chair, Professional Advancement Council	

### REGRETS (ALPHA ORDER)

<b>Roger Figueroa, PhD</b> Chair, Advocacy Council	<b>Marian L. Fitzgibbon, PhD, FSBM</b> Chair, Development Council, Gift Acceptance Committee, and Leadership Institute Committee	<b>Charles Jonassaint, PhD, MHS</b> Member Delegate
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### STAFF (ALPHA ORDER)

<b>Lindsay Bullock, CAE</b> Executive Director	<b>Amy Myers</b> Senior Communications & Membership Manager	<b>Emily Takerian</b> Communications Manager
<b>Olivia Flood</b> Administrative Coordinator	<b>Andrew Schmidt</b> Senior Program Manager	<b>Sam Wilson</b> Senior Meetings Manager
<b>Elizabeth Gonzalez-Rehorst, MS</b> Development Manager	<b>Tracey Sparks</b> Meetings Manager	<b>Tara Withington, CAE</b> Consulting Partner

## CALL TO ORDER, CALL FOR DISCLOSURES, AND CONFIDENTIALITY REMINDER

Dr. Fuemmeler called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. ET.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Winter reported that SBM investment advisor Capital Counsel had been sent a copy of the proposed revisions to SBM's investment policy, and requested that approval of the updated policy be postponed until they had an opportunity to provide feedback. The board resolved to table that item and vote on the remainder of the consent agenda.

**MOTION:** Dr. Manne moved to approve the November Board of Directors meeting minutes and Opioid Ambassador Legislative Talking Points. Dr. Gonzalez seconded. The motion carried.

## TOBACCO INDUSTRY CONSIDERATIONS

Dr. Fuemmeler shared a resolution disallowing anyone employed by a tobacco company from being an SBM member, including a proposed amendment to SBM's bylaws codifying the policy. As bylaws amendments are subject to a vote of the full SBM membership, the board was asked to review the resolution and vote on whether they would approve of including the amendment alongside the upcoming voting for open board positions.

If approved by the board, the text of the resolution would be shared with the full membership along with some additional context as to why SBM leadership began considering such a policy. Members would then have an opportunity to provide feedback before voting opens.

Members would also be informed that following the bylaws vote, the board may approve additional policies restricting submissions to SBM's journals and/or presentations at the SBM Annual Meeting from tobacco industry employees and of research funded by the tobacco industry. These policies would be developed in consultation with the Publications Council and Annual Meeting Planning Committee, but would not be subject to another membership vote prior to adoption by the board.

**MOTION:** Dr. Schneider moved to approve the Board Resolution Recommending Member Approval of Amendment to Bylaws adding new Article IV-Section 4 (regarding tobacco industry). Dr. Manne seconded. Dr. Gonzalez was not present for the vote. The motion carried.

## ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m. ET.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by A. Schmidt on January 17, 2024.*