



Health Benefit Exchange Authority Executive Board Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

Date: June 16, 2026
Time: 2:00 PM
Location: Via Zoom or Conference Call Only

Members Present: Diane Lewis, Leighton Ku, Tamara Watkins, Gabriela Mossi, LaQuandra Nesbitt, and Ayanna Bennett.

Members Absent: Wayne Turnage, Karima Woods, Rachel Pierre, and Khalid Pitts.

Welcome, Opening Remarks and Roll Call

Diane Lewis, Chair

Ms. Lewis convened the meeting on June 16, 2026, at 2:06 PM. The Executive Board met only virtually.

A roll call confirmed a quorum with 5 voting members present (Ms. Lewis, Dr. Ku, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Mossi, and Dr. Nesbitt).

Approval of Agenda, along with 2/11/26, 3/31/26, and 5/19/26 Executive Board Minutes

Diane Lewis, Chair

Dr. Ku moved to approve the agenda and minutes as drafted, *en bloc*, and Ms. Watkins seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.

Move to Closed Session

Diane Lewis, Chair

Ms. Mossi moved pursuant to D.C. Official Code Sections 2-575(b)(2) and (b)(4), and 31-3171.11 to convene in closed session to discuss contracting matters and obtain legal advice. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ku and was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Resumption of Public Meeting

Diane Lewis, Chair

The public session was reconvened at 2:27pm.

Discussion Items

Ms. Kofman presented the following contract ceilings for the below contracts, as approved by the HBX Executive Board Finance Committee on 5/13/26. She noted that some are going to DC Council because they are over \$1 million.

Vendor/Services	Current Year Ceiling (FY2026)	Recommendation for Contract Ceiling Increases
Amazon Web Services	\$1,313,000	Base Year (FY27): \$2.1M OY1 (FY28): \$2.3M OY2 (FY29): \$2.5M OY3 (FY30): \$2.7M OY4 (FY31): \$3.1M
IdeaCrew for IT Staffing for Development and Maintenance	\$13,500,000	Scenario 1: OY2 (FY27): \$16M OY3 (FY28): \$16.5M OY4 (FY29): \$17M Scenario 2: OY2 (FY27): \$26M OY3 (FY28): \$26.5M OY4 (FY29): \$17M
Nimbus Solutions for IT Staffing for Development and Maintenance	\$820,000	OY2 (FY27): \$2.5M OY3 (FY28): \$2.6M OY4 (FY29): \$2.7M
Nimbus Solutions for IT Cyber Security	\$650,000	OY2 (FY27): \$1.1M OY3 (FY28): \$1.15M OY4 (FY29): \$1.2M
NFP Health for Premium Aggregation and IT Support	\$792,240	OY3 (FY27): \$1.1M OY4 (FY28): \$1.1M
IMS Printing and Mailing	\$330,000	OY2 (FY26): \$660,000 OY3 (FY27): \$1.8M OY4 (FY28): \$1.8M
Maximus for Contact Center	\$4,687,000	OY4 (FY27): \$5.3M

Center for Study of Services (aka Consumer's CHECKBOOK)	\$940,000	OY2 (FY27): \$1.1M OY3 (FY28): \$1.15M OY4 (FY29): \$1.2M
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Beyond announcing the proposed contract amounts listed above, Ms. Kofman provided the following additional information.

IdeaCrew for IT Staffing – *Mila Kofman, HBX Executive Director*

Ms. Kofman noted that this contract has two different scenarios, depending on how CMS interprets the requirements placed on exchanges under H.R. 1, particularly pre-enrollment verification starting in 2027 for plan year 2028. There is no federal guidance yet. The prescriptive process is Scenario 2 and the less prescriptive is Scenario 1. We expect to have the guidance by August 2026 so that we will only send one of the scenarios to Council for approval.

IMS Printing and Mailing – *Mila Kofman, HBX Executive Director*

Ms. Kofman noted additional notices associated with Basic Health Program as well as other notices required by law. This contract leverages the negotiated rates from another District agency.

Maximus for Contact Center – *Mila Kofman, HBX Executive Director*

Ms. Kofman noted this is the last option year on the existing contract. For the following year, the contract will be put out for a re-bid.

Public comment

Ms. Lewis opened the floor for public comments. No public comments were offered.

Vote

Ms. Lewis asked if there was any objection to considering the 8 contracts *en bloc*. Hearing none, she entertained a motion to approve the 8 contracts discussed above *en bloc*. Dr. Ku moved to approve, and Ms. Mossi seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Executive Board Election Date

Ms. Lewis announced that, pursuant to the Board's Bylaws, the Annual Executive Board Officer Election for Chair is to be held every year, in the 3rd quarter, with a majority of board members agreeing on a date. The positions of Vice Chair and Secretary/Treasurer will not occur again until the 3rd quarter of 2027.

Ms. Lewis noted the election could be held at the regularly scheduled September board meeting on September 16th, 2026. If accepted, nominations will be made and accepted at that meeting. Nominations may be accepted either orally at that meeting or in a writing submitted to another Board member and announced at the September 16th meeting.

Ms. Lewis moved to have the HBX Board Chair Election at the September monthly meeting scheduled for September 16, 2026, and Dr. Ku seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Open Board Discussion

Dr. Ku asked if anyone had news on a replacement for Dr. Henry Aaron on the Executive Board. Both Ms. Kofman and Ms. Lewis indicated they had no information on that topic.

Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Ms. Lewis adjourned the meeting at 2:38 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for September 16, 2026, at 5pm. Any change to that meeting date or time will be announced on the DC HBX website (hbx.dc.gov).

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