

**MINUTES OF THE  
MARYLAND STEM CELL RESEARCH COMMISSION**  
Monday, August 23, 2021  
Virtual Meeting

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**Members:**

Scott Bailey  
Margaret Conn Himelfarb  
Haig Kazazian  
Debra Mathews, Chair  
David Mosser  
Avram Reisner  
Ira Schwartz  
Curt Van Tassell, Vice Chair

**Staff:**

Amritha Jaishankar, MSCRF/TEDCO  
Sabrina Spinner, MSCRF/TEDCO

The Commission meeting was called to order at 1:56 p.m.

**I. Statement for Closing the Meeting**

A motion was made and seconded that the Commission go into closed session. The motion stated the following:

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CLOSE SESSION:**

**GENERAL PROVISIONS ARTICLE §3-103(a)(1)(i):** This subtitle does not apply to ... a public body when it is carrying out ... an administrative function.

**TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:** The discussion will concern the performance of the Commission's role in overseeing the operation of the MSCRF, and the duty to oversee the use of budgeted MSCRF funds for various administrative purposes, including but not limited to marketing and business development functions and other costs charged to the Commission for administering the MSCRF.

**REASON FOR CLOSING:** The Commission believes that confidentiality is essential to enable candid discussion of the process by which it oversees the uses of the aforementioned MSCRF funds.

The motion passed unanimously. The Commission went into a closed session at 1:58 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.