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# LCCMR Subcommittee on Allowable Expenses
# MINUTES

**Wednesday, September 23, 2026**
**Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**
**Location:** Remote through electronic means (YouTube)

**Subcommittee Members:** Rita Albrecht, Michelle Beeman (Chair), Rep. Sydney Jordan, Sen. Jennifer A. McEwen, Rep. Roger Skraba (Vice Chair)

**Staff Present:** B. Nash, M. Varien, M. Campana, T. Dietrich

**Members Excused:** Sen. Jennifer A. McEwen

**Members Absent:**

**Chair: Michelle Beeman**

Chair Beeman called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m., noting Commissioner Jordan was attending the meeting from the capitol complex, in accordance with Minnesota Statute 13D.015 State Entity meetings by telephone or interactive technology.

**1. Roll call attendance**

Chair Beeman requested a roll call. Director Nash took roll call for attendance. There were three members present at the time of roll call, and three were needed for a quorum.

| Member | Attendance | Member | Attendance |
|---|---|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht (Remote) | Yes | Commissioner McEwen – Sen (Remote) | Excused |
| Commissioner Beeman (Remote) | Yes | Commissioner Skraba – Rep. (Remote) | Absent |
| Commissioner Jordan – Rep. (Remote) | Yes | | |

**2. Approve Minutes for September 9, 2026**

MOTION: Commissioner Jordan moved to approve the minutes for September 9, 2026, with an amendment correcting the attendance of Commissioner McEwen to reflect that she was excused, not absent from all votes – motion prevailed (3 Yes / 0 No).

**3. For Review:** Eligible Expenses

Chair Beeman provided an overview of the subcommittee's work to-date and next steps. Mr. Campana provided an overview of the "Preliminary List of Approved Eligible Expenses (as of 9/9/26)" adopted at the September 9 meeting. Members discussed.

**4. Discussion and Possible Action:** Prohibited Expenses

Chair Beeman and Mr. Campana provided an overview of the "Potential Updated List of Prohibited Expenses." Members discussed.

MOTION: Commissioner Jordan moved to preliminarily recommend the expenses listed from "Board of directors' or officers' salaries," through "Profit margins for for-profit funded organizations," on pages 1 – 2 of the "Potential Updated List of Prohibited Expenses" as prohibited expenses – motion prevailed (3 Yes / 0 No).

| Member | Y | N | Member | Y | N |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht | X | | Commissioner McEwen – Sen. | Excused | |
| Commissioner Beeman | X | | Commissioner Skraba – Rep. | Absent | |
| Commissioner Jordan – Rep. | X | | | | |

MOTION: Commissioner Jordan moved to preliminarily recommend the expenses listed from "Payments provided as an incentive to complete surveys or participate in project events," through "Website hosting fees," on page 2 of the "Potential Updated List of Prohibited Expenses" as prohibited expenses, with the exception of "Website hosting fees", which is recommended to be classified as a generally ineligible expense – motion prevailed (3 Yes / 0 No).

| Member | Y | N | Member | Y | N |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht | X | | Commissioner McEwen – Sen. | Excused | |
| Commissioner Beeman | X | | Commissioner Skraba – Rep. | Absent | |
| Commissioner Jordan – Rep. | X | | | | |

Commissioner Skraba joined the meeting remotely at 11:37 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Albrecht moved to preliminarily recommend the expenses listed from "Advertising and marketing expenses for project-specific purposes," through "Subscriptions to AI services," on pages 3 - 4 of the "Potential Updated List of Prohibited Expenses" as prohibited expenses, with the exception of "Advertising and marketing expenses for project-specific purposes"; "Artwork commissions"; "Equipment, tools, materials, or supplies (including clothing) that will be kept by employees, volunteers, or project participants"; and "Food and refreshment for the public or attendees at project trainings, demonstrations, conferences, meetings, or other project events," which are recommended to be classified as generally ineligible expenses – motion prevailed (4 Yes / 0 No).

| Member | Y | N | Member | Y | N |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht | X | | Commissioner McEwen – Sen. | Excused | |
| Commissioner Beeman | X | | Commissioner Skraba – Rep. | X | |
| Commissioner Jordan – Rep. | X | | | | |

MOTION: Commissioner Albrecht moved to preliminarily recommend the expenses listed from "Attorney fees", through "Seasonal lodging for employees," on pages 4 - 5 of the "Potential Updated List of Prohibited Expenses" as generally ineligible expenses, with the exception of "Purchases of communication devices, such as pagers, cell phones, or smart phones," which is recommended to be classified as a prohibited expense – motion prevailed (4 Yes / 0 No).

| Member | Y | N | Member | Y | N |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht | X | | Commissioner McEwen – Sen. | Excused | |
| Commissioner Beeman | X | | Commissioner Skraba – Rep. | X | |
| Commissioner Jordan – Rep. | X | | | | |

MOTION: Commissioner Jordan moved to preliminarily recommend the expenses "Fringe benefit expenses, such as mandatory payroll taxes (FICA/Social Security/Medicare), retirement, and health insurance of recipient's employees" and "Tuition for in-state graduate students" on page 5 of the "Potential Updated List of Prohibited Expenses" as eligible expenses – motion prevailed (3 Yes / 1 No).

| Member | Y | N | Member | Y | N |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht | X | | Commissioner McEwen – Sen. | Excused | |
| Commissioner Beeman | X | | Commissioner Skraba – Rep. | | X |
| Commissioner Jordan – Rep. | X | | | | |

**5. Public Testimony**

There was no public testimony.

**6. Adjourn**

Chair Beeman adjourned the meeting at 12:32 p.m.

*Signed by Rep. Sydney Jordan*
*Minutes approved at LCCMR Subcommittee on Allowable Expenses meeting on October 14, 2026*