

**Advisory Board**

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Susan Sarni, Hingham  
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**South Shore Public Health Collaborative Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, March 5 at 2:00 pm**

**Virtual meeting location: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86869306174>**

**Attendees:**

**Voting members -**

Susan Sarni, Hingham  
Joan Taverna, Cohasset  
Andrew Scheele, Scituate

**Non-voting members -**

Ally Gittens Dias, BME Strategies  
Cynthia Baker, BME Strategies

**2:04pm Welcome & Roll Call**

Andrew Scheele motioned to open the meeting. Susan Sarni seconded.  
Roll Call vote: Joan Taverna (Cohasset), Susan Sarni (Hingham), Andrew Scheele (Scituate)

**Motion to Approve Previous Meeting Minutes**

Andrew Scheele motioned to approve the February 19th meeting minutes.  
Joan Taverna seconded. Roll Call vote: Joan Taverna (Cohasset), Susan Sarni (Hingham), Andrew Scheele (Scituate)

**Coalition Updates**

BME Strategies explained the requirements for SAPHE 2.0 Reporting, which entails completing the Workforce Standards Survey and the Performance Standards Survey.

BME Strategies provided an update on the hoarding disorder programming that is slated to take place this Spring with Suzanne Otte, lecturer at BU School of Social Work.

**Regional Staff Activity Reporting**

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BME Strategies presented regional staff activity data from February. This presentation highlighted the work of the coalition's social work team, which involved supporting 47 unique residents through 153 touchpoints with residents across the three towns. This presentation also provided an example of activities that the social work team conducts that goes beyond direct client services.

### **Regional Staff Activity Reporting**

BME Strategies provided an update on a new approach for the Shared Services Coordinator role proposed by Interim Town Manager, Michelle Leary. The coalition provided input about this potential plan and will plan to revisit it at a future meeting.

The coalition also discussed the current status of the FY26 budget and potential investments for the remainder of the fiscal year. Coalition members discussed the potential to contract services for a regional inspector and regional public health nurse, as well as potentially expanding Title V services to Cohasset.

### **3:29 PM Adjournment**

The next coalition meeting will be on Thursday, March 19, 2026 at 2pm.

Andrew Scheele (Scituate) motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Susan Sarni (Hingham).

Roll call vote: Joan Taverna (Cohasset), Susan Sarni (Hingham), Andrew Scheele (Scituate)

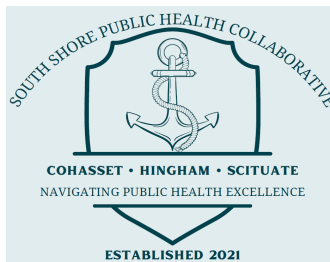
Motion carried: 3-0

Meeting adjourned at 3:29 PM.

### **Documents used and referenced during the public meeting:**

- South Shore Public Health Collaborative March 5th, 2026, Meeting Presentation

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