

BOARD OF NURSING

Open Session Agenda

May 1, 2019

9:00 am – 10:00 am

BOARD MISSION STATEMENT:

“The mission of the Board of Nursing is to safeguard the public’s health and well-being by assuring safe quality care in the District of Columbia. This is achieved through the regulation of nursing practice and education programs; and by the licensure, registration and continuing education of nursing personnel.”

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BOARD MEMBERS:	
Meedie Bardonille, RN (MB)	
Layo George, RN (LG)	
Elizabeth Lamme, RN (EL)	
Laverne Plater, RN (LP)	
Nancy Uhland, RN, DNP (NU)	
Rick Garcia, RN, PhD (RG)	
Margaret Green, LPN (MG)	
Monica Goletiani, Consumer (MG)	
Crystal Johnson, Consumer (CJ)	
BOARD STAFF:	
Frank B. Meyers, JD, Interim Executive Director	
Bonita Jenkins, EdD, RN, CNE	
Cathy Borris-Hale, RN, MHA	
Joanne Drozdoski, JD	
Kierstin Moses	
Antoinette Butler	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Van Brathwaite, JD	

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¹ The order in which the following agenda items are listed does not necessarily reflect the order in which the items will be discussed during the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER		
OS-19-05-01	<u>INTRODUCTIONS</u> A. BOARD MEMBERS B. BOARD STAFF	MB

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CONSENT AGENDA AND STAFF REPORTS		
OS-19-05-02	<p><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT</u></p> <p>A. BOARD CHAIR’S REPORT</p> <p>B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">i. HHA Summit Update Dr. Jenkins will provide an update on the upcoming HHA Summit.</p> <p>C. BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</p>	FM
OS-19-05-03	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the April 3, 2019 meeting.</p> <p>Background: The Open Session Minutes are a record of the Board’s past meeting(s), describing the events, list of attendees, a statement of the issues considered and related responses or decisions of the Board.</p>	FM

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MISC. ITEMS		
OS-19-05-04	<p><u>NURSING SCHOOL REGULATIONS</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the draft proposed regulations governing nursing school programs in the District.</p> <p>Background: These proposed regulations are an update to the existing regulations, and include updates to program curriculum requirements for nursing schools in the District, incorporating the RN to BSN degree programs, as well as addressing distance learning requirements for District run programs.</p>	BJ
OS-19-05-05	<p><u>FOREIGN CREDENTIALLING OF EDUCATION</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the request from the American Association of International Healthcare Recruitment (AAIHR) for the Board to “...expand the pool of permissible credentialing evaluation service agencies beyond CGFNS...”</p> <p>Background: Foreign trained applicants for a nursing license are required to submit proof that their education and training is equivalent to that of a US based training program. This is currently accomplished by submission of a Credential Evaluation Service (CES) report from CGFNS. Recently staff received a letter from AAIHR stating that CGFNS has suspended expedited processing of such reports, resulting in a delay of several months. AAIHR claims this is significantly affecting the ability to hire foreign-trained nurses, which in turn affects patients care. To address this issue, AAIHR is recommending Boards of Nursing accept reports from other foreign credentialing evaluation services.</p> <p>The letter and related documentation is being provided to the Board for review.</p>	FM

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MOTION TO CLOSE

OS-19-04-05	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p>Board Action: To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p>Background: Pursuant to DC Official Code § 2-575(b), the Board will move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting to discuss the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To consult with an attorney to obtain legal advice and to preserve the attorney-client privilege between an attorney and a public body, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4)(a);2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6);3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(9);4. To plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigation of alleged criminal or civil misconduct or violations of law or regulations, if disclosure to the public would harm the investigation pursuant to section § 2-575(b) (14).	FM
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MOTION TO ADJOURN

OS-19-05-07	<p><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></p> <p>Board Action: To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>Background: At the end of every a meeting a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.</p>	FM
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This ends the Open Session Agenda.