

BOARD OF DIETETICS & NUTRITION

**899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE – 2ND FL.
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

March 14, 2023

9:00 AM

OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

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OPEN SESSION AGENDA MARCH 14, 2023

ATTENDANCE & ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS	
DeAnna Nara- Board Chair	PRESENT
Indy James- Board Member	ABSENT
Njeri Jarvis- Board Member	PRESENT
Jessica Swift – Board Member	PRESENT
Consumer Member – Vacant	
BOARD STAFF:	
Ericka L. Walker- Executive Director	PRESENT
Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer	PRESENT
Rebecca Ordick, Board Investigator	PRESENT
Keyana Goodwin, Health Licensing Specialist	PRESENT
LEGAL STAFF:	
Joanne Drozdoski, Assistant General Counsel	PRESENT

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

OS-0314-01	<p><u>INTRODUCTIONS</u> The Meeting was called to order at 9:36am and a quorum was maintained.</p> <p>A. Board Members</p> <p>B. Board Staff</p> <p>C. Legal Staff</p>
OS-0314-02	<p><u>ACCEPTANCE OF OPEN SESSION AGENDA:</u> Board Action: Acceptance of the Open Session Agenda for March 14, 2023.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> A motion was made to accept the Open Session meeting agenda for March 14, 2023, by Njeri Jarvis and seconded by Jessica Swift.</p> <p>Dr. DeAnna Nara, Njeri Jarvis, Jessica Swift, all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>

MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-0314-03	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</u></p> <p>Mrs. Walker gave the updates on the following:</p> <p>Mrs. Walker also gave an update on Coronavirus and Monkeypox. Information is available for both pandemics on how the District of Columbia is managing. In addition, you may also see the current procedures and statistics at the websites below.</p> <p>Dr. Sharon Lewis continues to be Interim Director at DC Health. Mr. Arian Gibson is no longer interim Senior Deputy Director, he has accepted the position of the Office of Senior Deputy Director of HRLA. Mrs. Walker also gave an update on Coronavirus and Monkeypox.</p>
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	<p>Information is available for both pandemics on how the District of Columbia is managing. In addition, you may also see the current procedures and statistics at the websites below. There was an oversight hearing which took place February 28, 2023, with the new chairperson councilman Henderson, to discuss and meet with board chairs, the work of the boards and collaborating with other boards. In addition, there also was a performance oversight hearing which took place March 2, 2023, where Dr. Sharon Lewis was the witness and testified on the behalf of the licensing board at DC Health.</p> <p>The Board will be issuing one newsletter during the fall/winter for the public of all Health licensing Boards, all the board chairs was asked to submit a letter for the newsletter to give any updates.</p> <p>Currently there are 648 Licensed Dietitians and 66 Licensed Nutritionist. The Dietetics and Nutrition renewal portals open in August 2023.</p> <p>Covid-19 https://coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine</p> <p>MonkeyPox https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/monkeypox</p> <p>The Mayor’s Office for Talent and Appointments (MOTA) is responsible for recruiting board members. Anyone interested in joining the board please use the following website https://mota/dc/gov/page/boards-vacancies-or-availableseats</p>	
OS-0314-04	<p><u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT:</u> Ms. Drozdoski gave an update on the following:</p> <p>As of February 24, 2023, the Mandatory Covid-19 vaccination revision act is now a requirement for health care workers who are hired or contracted by or granted privileges or credentialed by a health care facility that is regulated by DC Health. For health care workers that may request an exemption, must request that through the employer or facility. DC Health no longer regulates exemptions.</p>	
OS-0314-05	<p><u>BOARD CHAIRS’S REPORT:</u> NO REPORT</p>	

OS-0314-06

OPEN SESSION MINUTES:

Board Action:

Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the December 13, 2022, meeting.

MOTION:

A motion was made to accept the Open Session meeting minutes for December 13, 2022, by Njeri Jarvis and seconded by Jessica Swift.

Dr. DeAnna Nara, Njeri Jarvis, Jessica Swift all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEMS

OS-0314-07

Consent Agenda

Board Action:

Board of Dietetic and Nutrition approved applications for the Boards. review and ratification since the last Board meeting.

First Name	Last Name
Sarah	Rondinone
Amy	Reynolds
Kylie	Fagnano
Helena	Ezzeldin
Shannon	Green
Shawna	Shaw
Tess	Downing
Devon	Forbes
Alexa	Gallagher
Gabriela	Cohen
Marija	Milic
Miriam	Eackloff
Sangeetha	Subramanian
Saadat	Aimaq

Yevgeniya	Libkhen
Carrie	Battaglia
Seth	Cowan
Emily	Tauschek
Stephanie	Kile
Dhaara	Antani
Rujin	Huang
Stacy	O'Brien
Jamie	Lee
Taylor	Guskind
Jerrick	Knippel
Mireille	Gbebry
Melissa	Fett
Alyssa	Paros
Yael	McGill
Stephanie	Bradshaw
Taylor	Coleman
Kela	Seals
Sara	Hayes
Suzanne	Bruels
Jane	Hemminger
Julie	Sinkovitz
Estela	Schnelle
Jack	Burton
Alexander	Pictor
Frances	Perkinson
Syed	Raza

Sabrina	Riordan
Linah	Alquarshi

BOARD ACTION:
Acceptance of the Consent Agenda.

MOTION:
A motion was made to accept the Consent Agenda by Njeri Jarvis, and Seconded by Jessica Swift.

Dr. DeAnna Nara, Njeri Jarvis and Jessica Swift all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO ADJORN	
OS-0314-08	<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 section § 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). <p>A motion was made to close the March 14, 2023, meeting by Njeri Jarvis and seconded by Jessica Swift.</p> <p>Dr. DeAnna Nara, Njeri Jarvis, Jessica Swift all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>

	Roll Call Vote	
	This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.	
OS-0314-09	<p><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u></p> <p>Motion to adjourn the meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u></p> <p>This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u></p> <p>A motion was made to adjourn the Open Session meeting by Njeri Jarvis and seconded by Jessica Swift.</p> <p>Dr. DeAnna Nara, Njeri Jarvis, and Jessica Swift all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

This ends the Board of Dietetics and Nutrition Open Session meeting. The next meeting is scheduled on [June 13, 2023\(VIRTUAL\)](#).

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