

BOARD OF MEDICINE

Open Session Minutes

February 24, 2021
8:39 am – 9:25 am

VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE

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BOARD MISSION STATEMENT:

“To **protect** and enhance the health, safety, and well-being of District of Columbia residents by **promoting** evidence-based best practices in health regulation, high standards of quality care and implementing policies that **prevent** adverse events.”

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BOARD MEETING PARTICIPANTS:

BOARD MEMBERS:	
Andrea Anderson, MD (AA)	
Preetha Iyengar, MD (PI)	ABSENT
William Strudwick, MD (WS)	ARRIVED @ 8:54 AM
Thomas Dawson, Esq. (TD)	ABSENT
Jeffrey Smith, MD (JS)	ABSENT
Terrence Straub (TS)	ABSENT
Archie Rich (AR)	
Vikisha Fripp, MD (VF)	
Thomas Smith (TS2)	
Joshua Wind, MD (JW)	
Christopher Raczynski, MD (CR)	ABSENT
Joelle Simpson, MD (JS2)	
Konrad Dawson, MD (KD)	
BOARD STAFF:	
Frank Meyers, JD – Executive Director	
Lisa Robinson – Health Licensing Specialist	
Mary Harris – Health Licensing Specialist	
Angela Braxton – Health Licensing Specialist	
Charles Annor – Health Licensing Specialist	
Emilia Moran – Investigator	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Suzanne Fenzel, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor	
Ajay Gohil, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor	

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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 were discussed during the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

OS-21-02-01 ALL	<u>INTRODUCTIONS</u> A. BOARD MEMBERS B. BOARD STAFF	
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CONSENT AGENDA AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-21-02-02 ALL	<u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT</u> A. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT i. COVID Vaccine Status The Board Chair provided an update on which groups are currently being vaccinated in the District. The most recent additions now include grocery store workers, health and human services and social services outreach workers, individuals working in manufacturing, and individuals working in food packaging. Beginning Monday, March 1 st , the District will be moving into Phase 1C, which includes individuals age 16 to 64 with certain co-morbidities. More vaccines became available through the federal pharmacy and community health center programs. More information and details regarding the COVID-19 vaccine can be found online at https://coronavirus.dc.gov . ii. MSDC/DC Health Partnership – Clinician Champions The Board Chair highlighted the recent partnership between DC Health and MSDC to organize physicians to present to District area groups on the vaccine process and benefits of the vaccine. More information about the “Clinician Champion” presenters can be found online at https://www.msdc.org/public/COVID-speakers .	
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iii. Delegates and Alternate Delegates to FSMB

Any individuals interested in serving as a delegate or alternative delegate should share that information with the Board Chair and Executive Director. Currently only Dr. Anderson and Dr. Fripp expressed interest.

iv. Resignation of Dr. David Wessel

The Board Chair informed the Board that Dr. Wessel has submitted his resignation. Dr. Anderson thanked Dr. Wessel for his service and commitment to the Board, and asked the Board members to submit names of any potential replacements.

B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

i. Certified Professional Midwife (CPM) Stakeholder Meeting

The Executive Director provided an update on the upcoming meeting of various stakeholders to discuss implementation of the new Certified Professional Midwife license, which is to take place on March 2nd.

ii. Renewal Update

The Executive Director provided an update on this years renewals, which went live October 13th, 2020:

- *Renewed* – 11,524
- *Under Review* – 32

iii. Licensure Census

The Executive Director provided an update on the current licensure census in the District, as follows:

	Active
ACUPUNCTURIST	148
ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT	94
MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE I(A)	1,128
MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE I(B)	348
MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE II	19
MEDICAL TRAINING REGISTRAN	827
MEDICINE AND SURGERY	10,224
NATUROPATH PHYSICIAN	58
OSTEOPATHY AND SURGERY	424
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT	849
POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TECHNICI	1
POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TECHNOL	52
POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TRAINEE	1
POSTGRADUATE PHYSICIAN TRA	0
SURGICAL ASSISTANT	101
Total	14,274

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C. BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT

None.

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ALL

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Board Action:

Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the January 27, 2021 meeting.

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.

Motion:

Motion made by Dr. Simpson to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dr. Wind.

Dr. Wind, Dr. Simpson, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Strudwick, Mr. Rich, Mr. Smith, and Dr. Anderson voted in favor of the motion. Dr. Dawson was absent. The motion passed.

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MOTION TO CLOSE

OS-21-02-05 ALL	<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). <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Wind to go into closed session. Seconded by Dr. Fripp.</p> <p>Dr. Wind, Dr. Simpson, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Strudwick, Dr. Dawson, Mr. Rich, Mr. Smith, and Dr. Anderson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	FM
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MOTION TO ADJOURN

OS-21-02-06 ALL	<p><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></p> <p>Board Action: To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>Background: At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Strudwick to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Dr. Wind.</p> <p>Dr. Wind, Dr. Simpson, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Strudwick, Dr. Dawson, Mr. Rich, Mr. Smith, and Dr. Anderson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	FM
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This ends the Open Session Minutes.

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