

# BOARD OF NURSING OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

March 3, 2021  
9:05 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

## Virtual Meeting Notice

*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all board meetings will be held virtually during the declared public health emergency.*

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### **Join by Web:**

<https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=mc6734897c0edfe6f8e75edfcef175f34>

### **Join by Phone:**

Call in Number: 1-650-479-3208 (US/Canada)  
Access Code: 172 969 3891  
Password: HBwPs3Cfw57

### **Board of Nursing 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 MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:**

<b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>	
Meedie Bardonille, RN (MB)	
Elizabeth Lamme, RN (EL)	
Laverne Plater, RN (LP)	
Rick Garcia, RN, PhD (RG)	
Margaret Green, LPN (MG)	
Monica Goletiani, Consumer (MG)	
Crystal Johnson, Consumer (CJ)	
<b>BOARD STAFF:</b>	
Tonoah Hampton MSN, RN, Executive Director	
Bonita Jenkins EdD, RN, CNE	
Cathy Borris-Hale MHA, RN	
Concheeta Wright BSN, RN	
Joanne Drozdoski, JD Investigator	
Mark Donatelli, Investigator	<b>ABSENT</b>
Melondy Franklin, Supervisory Health Licensing Specialist	<b>ABSENT</b>
Kathleen Mbanefo, Health Licensing Specialist	
<b>LEGAL STAFF:</b>	
Panravee Vongjaroenrat, Assistant General Counsel	

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## Board of Nursing

### Agenda

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Wednesday, March 3, 2021  
9:05 am to 11:00 a.m.

OS-21-03-01	<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	
OS-21-03-02	<b>ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF</b>	
OS-21-03-03	<p><b>Agenda Approval</b></p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Motion by M. Green to approve the Open Session Agenda. Seconded by L. Plater.</p> <p>M. Bardonille, E. Lamme, L. Plater, R. Garcia, M. Green, M. Goletiani, and C. Johnson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	Decision
OS-21-03-04	<p><b>MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the January 6, 2021 meeting.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> R. Garcia proposed an amendment to the January 6, 2021 meeting minutes to clarify. Motion by M. Green to approve the Open Session Agenda. Seconded by L. Plater.</p> <p>M. Bardonille, E. Lamme, L. Plater, R. Garcia, M. Green, M. Goletiani, and C. Johnson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	Decision
OS-21-03-05	<p><b>A. Board Chair Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NCSBN President meeting updates.</li> <li>• Interprofessional Collaboration updates in preparation for Telehealth Omnibus</li> </ul>	Informational

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul> <p><b>B. Executive Director Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Congratulations to Board Chair Meedie Bardonille as Black Nurses Association’s Nurse of the Year and 2021 Jack and Jill of America Catalyst Award Honoree- President’ Choice Shero Award</li> <li>• LPN renewal will begin April 1, 2021 via online renewal portal</li> <li>• NCSBN Mid-Year Meeting begins March 9-11, 2021</li> <li>• Beware of nationwide scams against nurses threatening actions and fines against licenses to garnish personal information. The Board of Nursing is seeking personal information via phone or email threats. Please report any attempts to the Board of Nursing immediately.</li> <li>• DC Health and the Board of Nursing are evaluation post-pandemic workforce needs.</li> <li>• The Certified Midwives Credential Amendment Act of 2021 has been introduced to amend the HORA to provide licensure for certified midwives and regulations by the Board of Nursing. Thereby adding the certified midwives as “other health professionals.”</li> <li>• Student Nurse Ambassador initial draft present by student intern.</li> <li>• The Board of Nursing continues to receive high volume of applications. The Health Regulations and Licensing Administration offer</li> </ul> <p><b>C. Board Attorney Report</b> The Board is preparing emergency and proposed rulemaking to transition the certified nursing aides and certified nursing assistance from Chapter 32 to Chapter 96.</p> <p><b>D. Education Subcommittee Report</b></p> <p><b>E. Discipline Subcommittee Report</b></p>	
<p><b>OS-21-03-06</b></p>	<p><b>Interprofessional Telehealth Omnibus</b></p> <p>The Board was informed of the Interprofessional Collaboration and its desire to develop a Telehealth Omnibus. The topic was open for discussion. The Board and the public offered no comments about the topic.</p> <p>The Board solicited comments from public members to assist in the development of the Telehealth Omnibus.</p>	<p>Discussion</p>

Informational

OS-21-03-07

**NAP PROGRAM**

**Board Action:**

To determine approval status for the nursing assistive personnel (NAP) training programs in the District.

**Background:**

As part of the Board of Nursing’s regulatory authority, staff collect annual report information and maintains data on exam passage rates. This data is then used to determine whether education programs in the District meet requirements for approval by the Board of Nursing. The 2020 examination data has now been gathered and is being presented to the Board for review.

**CNA PROGRAMS**

<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
Academy of Hope	<b>Continue Initial Approval</b>
Allied Health & Technology Institute	<b>Approved</b>
Carlos Rosario	<b>Approved</b>
HealthWrite Training Center	<b>Approved</b>
Innovative Institute	<b>Approved</b>
Time for Change	<b>Continue Initial Approval</b>
UDC-CC	<b>Approved</b>

Nursing Assistant Academy is no longer in operation.

**Motion:**

Motion by R. Garcia to approve Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) training program at record above. Seconded by L. Plater.

M. Bardonille, E. Lamme, L. Plater, R. Garcia, M. Green, M. Goletiani, and C. Johnson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**HHA PROGRAMS**

<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
Allied Health & Technology Institute	<b>Approved</b>
Bethel Training Institute	<b>Approved</b>
HealthWrite Training Center	<b>Approved</b>
Immaculate School of Allied Health	<b>Approved</b>
Innovative Institute	<b>Approved</b>

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OS-21-03-08	<p><b>APPLICATION FOR NURSING ASSISTANT TRAINING PROGRAM- COOLIDGE HIGH SCHOOL</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To determine whether to approve the application for establishment of a nursing assistant training program in the District.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> Staff has reviewed the application from Coolidge High School requesting approval of their certified nursing assistant (CNA) training program.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Motion by R. Garcia to approve the application for Coolidge High Nursing Assistant training program. Seconded by E. Lamme.</p> <p>M. Bardonille, E. Lamme, L. Plater, R. Garcia, M. Green, M. Goletiani, and C. Johnson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	Decision					
OS-21-03-09	<p><b>CHAPTER 56- NURSING SCHOOL REGULATIONS REVISION</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To consider the proposed revisions to the nursing school regulations.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> The nursing school regulations were revised to address changes in reporting requirements and clarification of terminology.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b></p>	Decision					

	<p>Chapter 56- Nursing school regulations approved by Education Subcommittee.</p> <p>M. Bardonille, E. Lamme, L. Plater, R. Garcia, M. Green, M. Goletiani, and C. Johnson voted in favor of the Education Subcommittee decision. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
<p><b>OS-21-03-10</b></p>	<p><b>MOTION TO CLOSE</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b)</p> <p><b>Background:</b> 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"> <li>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).</li> <li>2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6).</li> <li>3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(9).</li> <li>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).</li> </ol> <p><b>Motion:</b> Motion by M. Green to close Open Session and enter Executive Session. Seconded by R. Garcia.</p> <p>M. Bardonille, E. Lamme, L. Plater, R. Garcia, M. Green, M. Goletiani, and C. Johnson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	<p>Decision</p>

<b>OS-21-03-11</b>	<b>MOTION TO ADJOURN</b>  <b>Board Action:</b> To adjourn the meeting  <b>Background:</b> At the end of every meeting a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.  <b>Motion:</b> Motion by M. Green to adjourn.  M. Bardonille, E. Lamme, L. Plater, R. Garcia, M. Green, M. Goletiani, and C. Johnson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.	Decision
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**This ends the Open Session Minutes.**