

BOARD OF NURSING

Open Session Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2022
9:00 a.m.

VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE

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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 MEETING PARTICIPANTS:

BOARD MEMBERS:	
Meedie Bardonille, RN (MB)	PRESENT
Laverne Plater, RN (LP)	PRESENT
Rick Garcia, RN, PhD (RG)	PRESENT
Margaret Green, LPN (MG)	ABSENT
Monica Goletiani, Consumer (MG)	PRESENT
Crystal Johnson, Consumer (CJ)	ABSENT
LPN Member (Vacant)	PRESENT
BOARD STAFF:	
Arian Gibson, MS, Interim Associate Director	PRESENT
Ericka Walker, MSW, Acting Executive Director	PRESENT
Aisha Nixon, MPT, CPM, Acting Executive Director	PRESENT
Teresa Walsh, RN, PhD, NE-C	PRESENT
Bonita Jenkins EdD, RN, CNE	PRESENT
Cathy Borris-Hale MHA, RN	PRESENT
Concheeta Wright BSN, RN	ABSENT
Mark Donatelli, Investigator	ABSENT
Emilia Moran, Investigator	PRESENT
Melondy Franklin, Supervisory Health Licensing Specialist	PRESENT
LEGAL STAFF:	
Panravee Vongjaroenrat, Assistant General Counsel	ABSENT

Suzanne Fenzel, Acting Assistant General Counsel	PRESENT
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VISITORS:	
Rosalynn Asamoah - Medstar WHC	PRESENT
Heather Burris – DC Health/CHA	PRESENT

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AGENDA

OS-22-01-01	<p><u>CALL TO ORDER</u></p> <p><u>Meeting was called to order at 9:04 am. An informational update regarding DC Health’s Covid-19 response was provided by Ms. Burris. A quorum was established at 9:09 am.</u></p>	
OS-22-01-02	<p><u>ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF</u></p>	
OS-22-01-03	<p><u>AGENDA APPROVAL</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session Agenda for today’s meeting, January 5, 2022. In lieu of time constraints, the Epidemiologist will present information first.</p> <p>Motion: Motion by R. Garcia to approve the Open Session Agenda. Seconded by L. Plater.</p> <p>Vote: Meedie Bardonille, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	Decision
OS-22-01-04	<p><u>MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the November 3, 2021 meeting.</p> <p>Motion: Motion by R. Garcia to approve the Open Session Minutes from the November 3, 2021 meeting. Seconded by L. Plater.</p> <p>Vote: Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	Decision
OS-22-01-05	<p><u>REPORTS</u></p> <p>A. Board Chair Report</p> <p>i. DC Health COVID-19 Response updated provided by Heather Burns, DC Health Immunization Division Chief. DC Health is tracking and making positive</p>	Informational

steps with its recovery from COVID. See attached PPT presentation.

B. Executive Director Report

- i. Introduction of the new Board of Nursing Executive Director, Dr. Teresa Walsh
- ii. DC Health/HRLA Operational Status.
 - DC Health is currently operating under a modified telework posture due to the increase in COVID-19 cases until January 31, 2022.
 - Dr. Jenkins provided the following updates: Pearson Vue will no longer administer the HHA & CNA exams; new vendor Credentia. Black out period until Jan 31 until roll over occurs. DC Health working to identify places for potential work while waiting to test. She is currently gathering information from survey from long term facilities and will provide an update once the survey is completed. Education subcommittee met December 1, 2021.
 - Ms. Borris-Hale Cathy provided the following updates: Report from NCSBN Board of Directors. Staffing shortages nationwide. Cyber security is a high priority for NCSBN, as Maryland had a breach. NCSBN is also looking at international nurses. Similarly, NCSBN IS looking to modernize NursSys and has a request out for funding research proposals. Hence, please submit ideas to Cathy Borris-Hale.
- iii. Licensure Census – Licensure data: Total pending applications: 3967 and total current active licenses: 45891.

License Type Name	Pending	Active
CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE	5	153
CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALIST	2	45
HOME HEALTH AIDE	383	8788
LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE	161	1599

		277	2861	
		2893	30237	
		8	163	
		238	2045	
<p>iv. Summary Suspensions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Folashade Horne, HHA • George Tanyi, RN <p>v. MOTA Update - New liaison with MOTA for the Boards – Malaika Kamara – working on filling vacancies and having those that have been approved sworn in.</p>				
C. Board Attorney Report				
<p>I. Revisions to Chapter 56 (Nursing Schools and Programs) was published as final on 11/24/2021. The revisions to the regulations are effective as of that date. Pan is not available for this meeting. Suzanne noted chapter 56 is in process as of Nov. 24, 2021. Must be finalized and go through the process</p> <p>II. COVID-19 Vaccine mandate - Covid 19 mandate continue. Aug 23 – to be done by September 30, 2021. Rule finalized December 10, 2021.</p>				
D. Education Subcommittee Report				
<p>Educational subcommittee met on December 1, 2021. NCLEX pass rates were reviewed. Certification pass rates reviewed. The annual report is due from schools and Dr. Jenkins will summarize for the Board, once completed. LaVerne Plater and Monica Goletiani attended the meeting.</p>				
E. Discipline Subcommittee Report				
<p>Discipline subcommittee met on Dec. 5. Five cases were reviewed and 7 were submitted. None met the threshold for further meeting and investigation. Furthermore, agencies need to be reminded to end in terminations for nursing personnel</p>				

OS-22-01-06	<p><u>DISTRICT ADDICTION CONSULTATION SERVICE (DACS)</u></p> <p>Background: The District Addiction Consultation Service (DACS) launched on July 1, 2021 and serves as resource to primary care and specialty prescribers across the District of Columbia. DACS provides support in the identification and treatment of substance abuse disorders and chronic pain management.</p> <p>DACS system presentation. Consulting (free) for providers to have the appropriate support for clients with substance abuse or psychiatric issues.</p>	Informational
OS-22-01-07	<p><u>ANNUAL REVIEW AND STATUS DETERMINATION FOR RN AND LPN PROGRAMS</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the RN/LPN summary of annual reports and determine the status of nursing education programs.</p> <p>Background: The 2021 Summary-Annual Report regarding RN and LPN education programs in the District of Columbia. The report is inclusive of demographic information such as accreditation, admission rates, faculty, and NCLEX passing rates. This information is being submitted to the Board for review and approval.</p> <p><u>Catholic University (CUA)</u></p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Ms. Plater to approve the CUA BSN program. Seconded by Dr. Garcia.</p> <p>Vote: Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p><u>Georgetown University</u></p> <p>Motion:</p>	Decision

Motion made by Dr. Garcia to approve the Georgetown's BSN and CNL programs. Seconded by Ms. Plater.

Vote:

Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Howard University

Motion:

Motion made by Ms. Plater to approve Howard BSN program. Seconded by Dr. Garcia.

Vote:

Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

St. Michael's

Motion:

Motion made by Ms. Plater to approve St. Michael's BSN program. Seconded by Dr. Garcia.

Vote:

Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Trinity

Motion:

Motion made by Dr. Garcia to approve Trinity's BSN program. Seconded by L. Plater.

Vote:

Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

St. Michael's and UDC ADN program

	<p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Garcia to approve the UDC and St. Michael's AND programs. Seconded by Ms. Plater.</p> <p>Vote: Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Rick Garcia noted retention rates and Dr. Jenkins will investigate. Meedie Bardonille noted small percentages of male nurses.</p>	
OS-22-01-08	<p><u>ANNUAL REVIEW AND STATUS DETERMINATION FOR APRN PROGRAMS</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the APRN summary of annual report and determine the status of nursing education programs.</p> <p>Background: The 2021 Summary-Annual Report regarding APRN education programs in the District of Columbia. The report is inclusive of demographic information such as accreditation, admission rates, faculty, and NCLEX passing rates. This information is being submitted to the Board for review and approval.</p> <p><u>Catholic University (CUA)</u></p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Garcia to approve the APRN programs at CUA. Seconded by Ms. Plater.</p> <p>Vote: Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p><u>George Washington University</u></p> <p>Motion:</p>	Decision

Motion made by Dr. Garcia to approve the APRN programs at GW. Seconded by Ms. Plater.

Vote:

Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Georgetown University

Motion:

Motion by Dr. Garcia to approve the APRN programs at Georgetown (includes a Doctorate of Nurse Anesthesia). Seconded by Ms. Plater.

Vote:

Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Of note, approved by AACN, not CCNE. (all didactic on line, clinical still face to face)

Howard University

Motion:

Motion by Dr. Garcia to approve the APRN programs at Howard University. Seconded by Ms. Plater.

Vote:

Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Jenkins will inquire from schools about retention rates data.

<p>OS-22-01-09</p>	<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); <p>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> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Garcia to close the open session. Seconded by Ms. Plater.</p> <p>Vote: Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	<p>Decision</p>
<p>OS-22-01-10</p>	<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>Decision</p>

	<p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Garcia to close to adjourn the January 5, 2022 meeting. Seconded by Ms. Plater.</p> <p>Vote: Meedie Bardonille,, Laverne Plater, Rick Garcia, Monica Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
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This ends the Open Session Agenda.