

BOARD OF PODIATRY

OPEN SESSION

MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 10, 2024

1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

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Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 1:30 PM | 1 hour | (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

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OS-0110 -01	<p><u>CALL TO ORDER</u></p> <p>1:50 p.m.</p>	
OS-0110 -02	<p><u>ROLL CALL</u></p> <p><u>Board Members:</u> Teresa Hilliard, DPM – Chairperson (Present) Barbara Clark-Consumer Member (Present)</p> <p><u>Board Staff:</u> Ericka Walker- Executive Director (Present) Deb Moss - Board Investigator (Present) Ajay Gohil - Assistant General Counsel (Present) Thelma Ofosu- Mensah- Health Licensing Specialist (Present) Gregory Scurlock- Compliance Office (Present)</p>	
OS-0110- 03	<p><u>MOTION TO ACCEPT THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA</u></p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Clark to accept the open session agenda. Seconded by Dr. Hilliard.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Clark and Dr. Hilliard voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-0110- 04	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:</u></p> <p>Ms. Ericka Walker informed the Board on the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC Health is moving to its new location 2201 Shannon PL SE Washington DC 20020 by the end of February 2024. • The renewal online portal for Podiatry is open for all Podiatrists to submit their renewal applications. • The Hearings for the HORA Amendments were held on December 7, 2023, and various individuals submitted their Testimonies on the changes. <p>Licensure Census 155 Board Meeting Schedules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 3, 2024 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 3, 2024 • October 2, 2024 <p>District of Columbia COVID-19 https://coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine</p> <p>District of Columbia Monkeypox https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/monkeypox</p> <p><u>The Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments</u></p> <p>The Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) recruits talented and interested individuals from all eight Wards to serve on District Boards. Link to apply to serve on a Board: https://mota.dc.gov/page/boards-vacancies-or-available-seat</p>	
OS-0110-05	<p><u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT:</u></p> <p>Mr. Ajay Gohil provided an update on the December 7, 2023, HORA Amendments hearing and also on the development of the Interstate Podiatry License Compact.</p>	
OS-0110-06	<p><u>CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT:</u></p> <p>Dr. Hilliard informed the Board that she attended the DC Council HORA Amendments Hearings on December 7, 2023. She informed the Board that testimonies were submitted on the proposed changes to the Podiatry Scope of Practice.</p>	
OS-0110-07	<p><u>MINUTES</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration and approval of November 1, 2023, Open Session Minutes.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Clark to accept the Open Session Minutes from the November 1, 2023, meeting. Seconded by Dr. Hilliard.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Clark and Dr. Hilliard voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-0110-08	<p><u>CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the applications approved and items for review</p>	

	<p>and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> The Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><u>Consent Agenda</u> Approved Podiatry Licenses from November 1, 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None <p><u>Motion:</u> No Action Required</p>	
OS-0110-09	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><u>Background:</u> 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 the 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><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Clark to close the meeting. Seconded by Dr. Hilliard.</p>	

	<u>Vote:</u> Ms. Clark and Dr. Hilliard voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.	
OS-0110-10	Roll Call Vote	
OS-0110-11	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-0110-12	<p><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in an open session to close out the business of the Board.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Clark to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Dr. Hilliard.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Clark and Dr. Hilliard voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

This ends the Open Session portion of the meeting.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for **April 3, 2024**.

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