

BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

May 9, 2022

9:00 a.m.

OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

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BOARD MEMBERS	
Carolyn Williams - Chairperson	PRESENT
Betty Akpan - Board Member	PRESENT
Carla Seals - Board Member	PRESENT
BOARD STAFF	
Ericka L. Walker, Executive Director	PRESENT
Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer	ABSENT
Emilia Moran, Board Investigator	PRESENT
Keyana Goodwin, Health Licensing Specialist	PRESENT
LEGAL STAFF	
Joanne Drozdowski, Assistant General Counsel	ABSENT

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ATTENDANCE & ROLL CALL

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

OS-0509-01	<p><u>Introductions</u></p> <p>The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. and a quorum was maintained.</p> <p>Board Members</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Carolyn Williams, Board Chair- Present 2. Betty Akpan, Board Member- Present 3. Carla Seals, Board Member- Present <p>Board Staff</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ericka Walker, Executive Director- Present 2. Emilia Moran, Investigator- Present 3. Keyana Goodwin- Health Licensing Specialist-Present <p>Legal Staff</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Joanne Drozdoski, Assistant General Counsel- Absent
OS-0509-02	<p><u>Acceptance of Meeting Agenda</u></p> <p>Board Action: Acceptance of the May 9, 2022, Open Session Meeting Agenda.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made to approve the May 9, 2022 Open Session Meeting Agenda by Carla Seals, seconded by Betty Akpan.</p> <p>Carolyn Williams, Betty Akpan and Carla Seals all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
OS-0509-03	<p><u>Open Session Meeting Minutes:</u></p> <p>Board Action:</p>

	<p>Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the February 14, 2022 meeting.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made to approve the corrected February 14, 2022 Open Session Meeting Minutes with the noted corrections by Carla Seals, seconded by Betty Akpan.</p> <p>Carolyn Williams, Betty Akpan and Carla Seals all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS	
OS-0509-04	<p><u>Executive Directors Report</u> DC Health Updates:</p> <p>Ms. Walker gave an update on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. DC Health employees are still on the teleworking posture and some employees work three days in the office and telework two days a week. 3. The Board currently has 780 Licensed Respiratory Care Praticitioners. 4. The Booster shot has been rescinded and no longer required for health care professions.
OS-0509-05	<p><u>Board Attorney’s Report</u> The Notice of Recission for the rulemaking for the booster/up-to-date COVID-19 rules for “health care workers”. The requirement for health care workers to get the booster shot has been rescinded and will not be enforced.</p>
OS-0509-06	<p><u>Board Chair’s Report</u> Ms. Williams gave an update on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Respiratory Care Annual Meeting is scheduled for November -9-12 in New Orleans. 1. Maryland and DC society Conference by the sea is scheduled for September 14-16 in Ocean City 2. NBRC Annual meeting will be held in Kansas, August 2022.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

0S-0509-07	NONE	
CLOSING		
0S-0509-08	<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: Upon conclusion of the open session meeting and pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575(b) and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made to close the open session portion of the meeting, by Betty Akpan. Seconded by Carla Seals.</p> <p>Carolyn Williams, Betty Akpan and Carla Seals all voted in favor of the motion; the motion passed unanimously.</p>	

This ends the Board of Respiratory Care Open Session Meeting.
The next meeting is scheduled for **September 14, 2022.**