

BOARD OF MEDICINE

Open Session Minutes

September 27, 2023

1:57pm-2:18pm

HYBRID MEETING

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Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board will have a hybrid schedule of in-person and virtual meetings. In-person meetings will resume in FY 2023, meeting dates can be found on the Board's webpage.

In-person meetings will be at 899 North Capitol Street, NE, 2nd Floor, Washington, DC 20002.

Information on how to access the public portion of the meeting virtually is listed below:

Join by Web:

<https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=m6df4a20f160c20dedf5ea626e2005e83>

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+1-202-860-2110 United States Toll (Washington D.C.)

1-650-479-3208 Call-in number (US/Canada)

Access Code:

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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)	
William Strudwick, MD (WS)	
Jeffrey Smith, MD (JS)	
Archie Rich (AR)	
Christopher Raczynski, MD (CR)	
Konrad Dawson, MD (KD)	
Asad Bandealy, MD (AB)	
VACANT (Physician Member)	
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VACANT (Consumer Member)	
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BOARD STAFF:	
Aisha Nixon – Associate Director	ABSENT
Sithembile Chithenga- Executive Director	
Lisa Robinson – Health Licensing Specialist	
Mary Harris – Health Licensing Specialist	
Charles Annor – Health Licensing Specialist	
Kimberly Quickley – Health Licensing Specialist	
Rona Rawls – Health Licensing Specialist	
Chiquita Badgett – Health Licensing Specialist	
Ashley Callaham – Health Licensing Specialist	
Sabrina Gillison – Health Licensing Specialist	
Jennfier Stuart– Health Licensing Specialist	
Emilia Moran – Investigator	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Suzanne Fenzel, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor	
Ajay Gohil, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor	
DC HEALTH STAFF	
Matteo Lieb, Office of Government Affairs	
Nicholas Weil, Guest	
Pia Duryea, Guest	
Frank Myers, Guest	

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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-23-09-01	<u>INTRODUCTIONS</u>	
ALL	A. BOARD MEMBERS B. BOARD STAFF	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CONSENT AGENDA, BOARD POLICIES, AND STAFF REPORTS		
OS-23-09-02	<u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT</u>	SC
ALL	A. BOARD CHAIR’S REPORT <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Board Chair provided an update on the DC Health Boards Symposium held on September 27, 2023. ii. The Board Chair provided an update on the FSMB workgroup. iii. The Board Chair provided an update on the upcoming webinar sponsored by FSMB held on October 4, 2023, that concerns publishing, general concerns of medical regulation and different programs to assist Boards to publish their progress. B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. DC Health Updates The Executive Director provided an update on the District of Columbia responses to public health issues/concerns. ii. License Type/Pathway The Executive Director provided an update on the IMLCC which went live on June 12, 2023 and DMV Reciprocity. iii. Advisory Committees The Executive Director provided an update on the advisory committees. iv. Board Vacancies/MOTA Update The Executive Director provided an update on current Board vacancies. 	

v. **Licensure Census**

The Executive Director provided an update on the current licensure census in the District of Columbia.

Acupuncturist	144
Anesthesiologist Assistant	130
Medical Training License I(a)	1167
Medical Training License I(b)	329
Medical Training License II	23
Medical Training Registrant	148
Medicine and Surgery	11988
Naturopath Physician	61
Osteopathy And Surgery	727
Physician Assistant	1156
Polysomnographic Technician	1
Polysomnographic Technologist	58
Polysomnographic Trainee	1
Surgical Assistant	114
Chinese Herbology	30
Athletic Trainer	39
Trauma Technologist	4

C. **BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT- No Report**

D. **OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATION’S REPORT**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Office of Government Relations provided an update on the Health Licensing Board Residency Requirement Amendment Act of 2023. ii. Councilmembers Henderson and Parker introduced the Health Professional Licensing Boards Residency Requirement Amendment Act of 2023 (B25-0312) on June 2, 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. This legislation would permit non-District residents to serve on health professional licensing boards. b. There would be restrictions, including that the Board Chair and Consumer Members would continue to need to be District residents and no more than 50% of the Board could be made up of non-District residents. iii. The Office of Government Relations provided an update on the DC Health Director Appointment. On June 8th, Mayor Bowser announced the appointment of Dr. Ayanna Bennett as DC Health Acting Director. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Dr. Bennett is a healthcare and public health executive with more than 20 years of experience in clinical practice, clinical service design, system integration, and quality improvement. Dr. Bennett most recently served as Chief Health Equity Officer and Director of the San Francisco Department of Public Health’s Office of Health Equity. b. The Council will hold a hearing on the <i>Director of the Department of Health Dr. Ayanna Bennett Confirmation Resolution of 2023</i> (PR25-0290). The Committee on Health will hold a hearing on October 5th at 10AM to hear from the Director. iv. The Office of Government Relations provided an update on the Board Confirmation Roundtable. The Committee on Health hosted a roundtable on Wednesday May 31st to discuss two nominations to the Board of Massage Therapy. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Those nominees are Johanna Brooks and Maisha Goss-Johns b. Johanna Brooks already serves on the Board, but Maisha Goss-Johns would be a new board member 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> v. The Committee on Health is hosting another roundtable on September 25th to consider nominees for the Boards of Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Medicine. vi. OGR anticipates that the Committee on Health will host more meetings like these ones to discuss health professional board nominations. 	
OS-23-09-03	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the August 16, 2023, meeting.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Anderson to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dr. Smith and Dr. Strudwick.</p> <p>Vote: Dr. Anderson, Dr. Strudwick, Dr, Smith, Mr. Rich, Dr. Raczynski, and Dr. Dawson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.</p>	SG/SC
OS-23-09-04	<p><u>OPEN CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the current open Consent Agenda items for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p>Background: The Open Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting of the Board.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Anderson to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dr. Smith and Dr. Strudwick.</p> <p>Vote: Dr. Anderson, Dr. Strudwick, Dr, Smith, Mr. Rich, Dr. Raczynski, and Dr. Dawson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.</p>	CB

OS-23-09-05	<u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>	
All	Background: To provide the public with the opportunity to comment or provide feedback to the Board.	

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MOTION TO CLOSE

OS-23-09-06

MOTION TO CLOSE

ALL

Board Action:

To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).

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:

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).

Motion:

Motion made by Dr. Anderson to close the Open session at 2:18pm and move into Executive Session. Second by Dr. Smith.

Vote:

Dr. Bandealy, Mr. Rich, Dr. Strudwick, Dr. Smith, Dr. Raczynski, Dr. Dawson and Dr. Anderson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

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MOTION TO ADJOURN

OS-23-09-07

MOTION TO ADJOURN

ALL

Board Action:

To adjourn the meeting.

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.

Motion:

Motion made by Dr. Anderson to adjourn.

Vote:

Dr. Bandy, Mr. Rich, Dr. Strudwick, Dr. Smith, and Dr. Anderson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

This ends the Open Session Agenda.

This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at opengovoffice@dc.gov. 3 DCMR § 10409.2