

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
LACTATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
Monday, January 28, 2019**

The District of Columbia Lactation Commission held a public meeting on Monday, January 28, 2019 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. The meeting was held at DC Health, 899 North Capitol St., NE, Room 306, Washington, D.C., 20002. Below are the minutes from the meeting.

Note taker: Commissioner Sahira Long

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:15p

**II. Roll Call**

In Person:

Commissioner Gwendolyn West—Lactation Expert  
Commissioner Stephanie Sieswerda – Community Outreach Expert  
Commissioner Angela McClain—Community Outreach Expert, Chair  
Commissioner Jenny Tender—Pediatrician/Neonatologist Member  
Noni Robinson—DC Health Representative  
Commissioner Christina Stowers—Consumer Member

Via Phone:

Quamiece Harris—Department of Human Services  
Colleen Sonosky—Department of Health Care Finance Representative  
Commissioner Sahira Long—Pediatrician/Neonatologist Member  
Commissioner Lauren Propst-Riddick—Consumer Member  
Suzanne Henley —Office of the State Superintendent of Education Representative  
Tamika Cambridge – DC Department of Human Resources  
Commissioner Stephanie Hack-Obstetrics/Gynecology (OB/GYN) Member

Absent:

Commissioner Amira Roess—Public Health Expert Member  
Commissioner Kanika Harris—Public Health Expert  
Commissioner Noelene Jeffers—Lactation Expert Member  
Emily Woody—DC Health Representative (maternity leave)

**III. Adoption of Agenda** motion to approve agenda made by Gwendolyn West, seconded by Jenny Tender

**IV. Approval of Minutes from November 2018 Meeting** postponed until February 2019 meeting

**V. Old Business**

A. Emily Woody has started maternity leave.

- B. 2018 Annual Report – Commissioner Angela McClain apologized for delay in getting draft circulated due to medical issues. Document reviewed extensively for the remainder of the meeting. Edits suggested were incorporated into document. Any final edits should be sent to Commissioner McClain who will forward final version to Noni Robinson. Any feedback from DC Health will be shared by Noni Robinson during the February meeting.

**VI. New Business** was tabled to the February meeting.

**VII. Opportunity for Public Comment:** There were no members of the public available for comments.

**VII. Review of Action Items:**

- A. Commissioner Tender to confirm status of all bills listed as being under DC Council review.
- B. Noni Robinson to confirm the names of the people in the picture for the section describing the Ethiopian breastfeeding celebration.
- C. All members of the Commission are asked to review the Annual Report and send final edits to Commissioner McClain by Wednesday, January 30, 2019 for inclusion before sending to Noni Robinson on Thursday, January 31, 2019.

**IX. Items to Continue for Next Meeting**

- D. Government Representatives Updates
- E. 2019 Meeting Schedule & Note takers
- F. 2019 Subcommittee Priorities & Make-Up
- G. Vacancies

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.