



MARYLAND BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215

JANUARY 18, 2023 BOARD MEETING
OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Meeting Held via Google Meet

Board Members Present:

Matthew Cumers, Local Health Department Member
Alan Heck, Vice Chair, At Large Member
Amy Parrish, Private Industry Member
Naomi Howell, Department of the Environment Member
Bonnie Harbin, At Large Member
Tonisha Melvin, Board Secretary, Consumer Member

Board Members Absent:

Lewis Brown, Consumer Member

Staff and Visitors:

Katherine Cummings, AAG, Board Counsel
Bert Nixon, Executive Director
James Merrow, Board Staff
Donna Zickefoose, Administrator I
Lillian Reese, Legislative Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Matthew Cumers, Board Chair.

Review of the Proposed Amendments to the Statute Changes Already Submitted.

Board Chair, Matthew Cumers, informed the Board that the Regulations Committee had met to discuss the Apprenticeship Program. Following discussions, it was decided to amend the statutory proposal already submitted by the Board to include provisions for an Apprenticeship Program. If this Bill passes, the Board would then amend current regulations to include an Apprenticeship Program. Alan Heck made a Motion to accept the amendments. Naomi Howell provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

Executive Director, Bert Nixon, advised the Board members that during the Legislative Session the Board may need to meet on an emergency basis to discuss this and other legislation affecting the Board. If possible, the meetings will be scheduled on Wednesdays. However, there may be a need to meet on short notice and not on a Wednesday. The Board staff will notify members via email for possible unscheduled meetings.

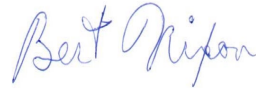
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Naomi Howell made a Motion to close the meeting. Alan Heck provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.



Matthew Cumers,
Board Chair



Bert Nixon,
Executive Director

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