



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

DECEMBER 3, 2025 BOARD MEETING
OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Meeting Held via Google Meet

Board Members Present:

Sherry Williams, Board Chair, Department of Health
Kevin Barnaba, Private Industry
Tonisha Melvin, Board Secretary, Consumer Member
Mia Lowery, Local Government
Bonnie Harbin, At Large
Sarath Seneviratne, At Large

Board Members Absent:

John Boris, Department of the Environment Member
Esther Peter, Consumer Member

Staff and Visitors:

Katherine Cummings, Board Counsel
Leigh Broderick, Executive Director
Leslie Johnson, Administrative Officer
Lillian Reese, Legislative Coordinator
Zakiyyah Holmes, (MDH)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Sherry Williams, Board Chair.

AGENDA Sarath Seneviratne made a motion to adopt the agenda. Bonnie Harbin provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

ITEM 1 Review of the Prior Meeting Open Session Meeting Minutes

1(a). The October 1, 2025 Open Session Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Sarath Seneviratne made a motion to adopt the Minutes as submitted. Mia Lowery provided a 2nd to the motion. Motion passed. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

ITEM 2 Legislative/Regulations

2(a). Lillian Reese reported that the apprenticeship proposal has now been printed in the Maryland register and completed the 30-day comment period which ended on December 1, 2025. No comments were received, which means that the Board can move forward with the final action of this proposal. Mia Lowery made a motion to adopt the apprenticeship regulations as proposed. Bonnie Harbin provided a 2nd to the motion. Motion passed. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

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ITEM 3 Board Chair Report

Sherry Williams

3(a.) Sherry Williams, Board Chair informed the Board that she will be on vacation and will miss our February 2026 Board meeting. In Sherry's absence Kevin Barnaba, Vice Chair will lead the meeting as Board Chair as recommended by Board Counsel.

ITEM 4 Executive Director Report

Leigh Broderick

4(a.) Staffing Changes: Donna Zickefoose will be retiring from the State as of December 31, 2025. The Board will work on filling the position. An invitation will be sent to all Board members and other co-workers that Donna has worked with over the years to celebrate and wish Donna well on December 11, 2025 at the Patterson Avenue office.

ITEM 5 Credentialing

No reviews for this meeting.

ITEM 6 Work Force Work Group

**Bonnie Harbin, Mia Lowery and
John Boris**

ITEM 7 Continuing Education

Bonnie Harbin and Mia Lowery

7(a) Bonnie Harbin shared the pamphlet that she created with basic information about environmental health. The flyer includes a QR code to scan which is linked to the Board website.

ITEM 8 Statistics from the licensing database and Exam Information:

8(a).

1. Active Seasonal Certificates – 15
2. Active Licensed Environmental Health Specialists - 512
3. Active In-Training Certificates – 77
4. Active Certificate of Eligibility Certificates – 128
5. Number of Exam passing scores since the December 3, 2025 meeting - 2
6. Number of failing scores since the December 3, 2025 meeting - 1
7. Initial Licenses Issued (?)

8(b). Initial Licenses Issued (2??)

1. Kelsey Owens
2. Everette McDuffie

8(c). License Reactivation (0)

8(d). Certificates of Eligibility Issued (11??)

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| 1. JorDonna Frazier | 11. Beekam Olkeba | 21. Luminite Petre |
| 2. Grace Farrell | 12. Sean Kelly | 22. Ivan Ingram |
| 3. Adam Stachowiak | 13. Kerri Springer | 23. Mawuli Kponmassi |
| 4. Ian Hall | 14. Brandon Williams | 24. Nathan Rauscher |
| 5. Kenea Sumaf | 15. Kayla Robinson | 25. Laura Vandemark |
| 6. Chukwvemeka Nwobi | 16. Nathaniel Brooks | 26. Kourtney Press |

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| 7. John Janesko | 17. Daniela Relf | 27. Michael Tkach |
| 8. Kelly Johanson | 18. Deanna Hammel | 28. Omodele Adomako |
| 9. Riley Johnson | 19. Irina Elkhoury | 29. Ingrid White |
| 10. Logan Dashiell | 20. Jenna Sivic | |

8(e). In-Training Certificates Issued (4?)

1. Sandra Applebaugh
2. Moriah Manyko-Winch
3. Sean Kelly
4. Deonna Cousins

At 9:55 a.m. Board Chair, Sherry Williams, read the written statement to close the Open Session and enter the Closed Session. Sarath Seneviratne made a motion to close the Open Session. Kevin Barnaba provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

Closed Session Summary

Closed session was held from 9:57 a.m. to 10:05 a.m. on a closed session conference call line. The same Board members present for the open session were present for the closed session. The authority for the closed session was Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. § 3-305(b)(13) in order to review and approve closed session minutes that are prohibited from public disclosure pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. § 8-306(c)(3)(ii). The Board voted to approve the closed session minutes as written.

Sherry Williams,
Board Chair



Date: February 4, 2026

Leigh Broderick,
Executive Director



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