



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

February 3, 2021 BOARD MEETING
OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Meeting Held via Google Meet

Board Members Present:

Linda Rudie, Board Chair, Maryland Department of Health Member
Alan Heck, Vice Chair, At Large Member
Amy Parrish, Private Industry Member
Naomi Howell, Department of the Environment Member
Ann Rose, At Large Member
Jasen Lau, Consumer Member (Absent)
Erin Kelly, Local Government Member (Absent)
Matthew Cumers, Local Health Department Member
Lewis Brown, Consumer Member

Staff:

Katherine Cummings, AAG, Board Counsel
James Merrow, Executive Director
Donna Zickefoose, Administrator I

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Linda Rudie, Board Chair. The Board began with the Administrative Session at 10:20 a.m. and resumed the Open Session at 11:00 a.m.

Agenda The Agenda was reviewed. Ann Rose motioned to approve the Agenda with adjustments. Alan Heck provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. Vote - 6

ITEM 1 Approval of Minutes
The Open Session Minutes from the February 3, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Ann Rose made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Matthew Cumers provided a 2nd to the motion. Motion passed. Vote - 6

ITEM 2 Board Chair Report
None.

ITEM 3 Executive Director Report

3(a). 114 licensees have completed their continuing education requirement for the 2021 license renewal cycle.

3(b). Stats from the licensing database

- 1.** Active Seasonal Certificates – 34
- 2.** Active Licensed Environmental Health Specialists - 570
- 3.** Active In-Training Certificates – 98
- 4.** Active Certificate of Eligibility Certificates – 227

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ITEM 4 Credentialing:

4(a). Reduction of In-Training Period Requests:

1. Chris Volrath – Ann Rose made a Motion to approve the reduction of the in-training period. Matthew Cumers provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. Vote – 6
2. Temesgen Yimanie - Ann Rose made a Motion to approve the reduction of the in-training period. Matthew Cumers provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. Vote – 6
3. William Miciche – Table until the April 7, 2021 Meeting. The request had been made to soon; 12 months of in-training must be completed to request an in-training reduction. Ann Rose made a Motion to table the reduction of the in-training period to be reviewed at the April 7, 2021 Board Meeting. Alan Heck provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. Vote – 6
4. Kelsey Green – Alan Heck made a Motion to approve the reduction of the in-training period. Ann Rose provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. Vote – 6
5. James Weixel – Ann Rose made a motion to approve the reduction of the in-training period. Alan Heck provided a second to the Motion. Motion passed – Vote - 6

ITEM 5 Legislative/Regulations

5(a). James Merrow discussed the legislation process regarding position papers, time frames and deadline. He will review and forward any Bills to the Board that may require the Board to take a position. The Board will meet every Thursday, if needed, to discuss any Legislation.

ITEM 6 Work Force Work Group

No report.

ITEM 7 Continuing Education Committee

Below are the approved training courses that were ratified at the February 3, 2021 meeting. Ann Rose provided a Motion to accept the approved training. Alen Heck provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. Vote – 6

1. Global Water & Food Safety Summit (17.25)
2. Environmental Causes of Foodborne Outbreaks and CDC’s National Assessment Reporting System (NEARS) (1.5)
3. Certified Pool/Spa Operator Refresher Course (6)
4. Health Disparities and Determinants of Health (2)
5. No Marathon Gets Easier Later – COVID 19’s Impact on Local Public Health (1)
6. Water – The Impact of Water Aesthetics and Safety Perceptions on Water Consumption by Appalachian Kentuckians (.5)
7. TEHA Meeting 10-23-10 (3.5)
8. Institutions and Licensed Establishments - EPHOC (3)

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9. 347th CASA Quarterly Meeting (2)
10. EHTER – Awareness Level – Radiation and Environmental Health Response (3)
11. EHTER – Awareness Level – Shelters (2)
12. Environmental Reviews for COVID-19 Projects (1.5)

13. Arizona School IPM Inside and Out - Implementation of School Integrated Pest Management Programs in Arizona Schools (1)
14. Building Systems Readiness in a Post COVID 19 Environment (1)
15. Don't Go with the Flow: Measurable Improvement in Drinking Water Programs (1.5)
16. One Health and EH: Perfect Partners in Securing Global Health (1)
17. Exploring Integrated Mosquito Management Strategies and EPA's Role in Protecting Communities (1)
18. Measles Outbreaks and the Impact on Public Health (1)
19. The Effects of Austerity on Local Government Environmental Health Provision in England (.5)
20. COVID-19 Training Series: Pandemic Response Fundamentals (1)
21. A Look Ahead at 2021 – More of the Same for EHS or a Whole New Ballgame? (1)
22. What Real Estate Professionals Need to Know about Private Wells (1.5)
23. In-Depth Training: Sanitary Surveys-Filtration and Disinfection (4)
24. Monitoring & Distribution I: Disinfectants & Disinfection Byproducts (2)
25. Monitoring & Distribution II: Pathogens and Disinfection (2)
26. Source & Treatment III: Extremely Small Systems (2)
27. Source & Treatment IV: Contaminant Removal (2)
28. Source & Treatment V: Managing Contaminants (2)
29. Monitoring & Distribution VI: Distribution System Best Practices (2)
30. Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs) and Algal Toxins (1)
31. Water Reuse for Agricultural Purposes (1)
32. America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) Risk and Resilience Checklist and Lessons Learned (1)
33. Drinking Water Microbes 101 (1)
34. Tools for Foodborne Illness Investigations (1.5)
35. Food Safety 101 – Leveraging Technology (1)
36. Understanding Noise and the OSHA Hearing Conservation Standard (1)
37. RRT Computer to Computer (C2C) (Various depending on time of completion for total time 9.5)
38. Wildfires and Resulting Impacts to Water Bodies Used as Drinking Water Sources (1)
39. Indoor Air Quality in K-12 Schools: Addressing the Concept of Layered Risk Amidst COVID-19 (1.5)
40. Airside Sanitization Technologies for Safer Post-COVID-19 Building Occupancy (1)
41. Plan Review for Food Establishments (25)
42. Funding/Financing Options for Private Well Owners (1.5)
43. Community Engagement and Risk Communication (4)
44. Environmental Health and Land Reuse (10)

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45. IPM After the Storm – Vector Considerations Part 1 (1.5)
46. Maryland Water Monitoring Council 26th Annual Conference (4.75)
47. Public Health and Community Engagement Introduction (1)
48. Infectious and Vector Borne Disease – Vectorborne Disease Communication: What People Want to Know and How to Help Themselves (.5)

ITEM 8 Status of Work Processed

Initial Licenses Issued (3)

1. Jennifer Kenney (Exam on 12-16-20)
2. Travis Allen (Exam on 12-11-20)
3. Anjali Kegerreis (Exam on 12-20-20)

Certificates of Eligibility Issued (4)

1. Alicia Oscar
2. Leslieann Black
3. Myeongseob Kim
4. Tyler O’Neal

In-Training Certificates Issued (4)

1. Tyler Fink
2. Tyler O’Neal
3. Gregory Sherman
4. Alicia Oscar

Seasonal/Summer/Youth Camp In-Training Certificates (0)



Linda Rudie
Board Chair

Ann Rose
Board Secretary

Date: April 7, 2021

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