

**Maryland Department of Health**  
**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS**

**DECEMBER 15, 2021**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The 448<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting was convened at 9:30 a.m. at 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215 in Room 106 on Wednesday, December 15, 2021.

**Members Present**

1. Felicia Anthony, Chair
2. Debra Buckalew
3. Patricia Cash
4. Stevanne Ellis
5. Kelly Freidman, Vice Chair
6. Joyce Fritsch
7. Andrea Lev
8. Kimberly Malin
9. Heather Reed
10. Michelle Rosenheim
11. Earl Runde
12. Nader Tavakoli-Jalili
13. Michael Willis

**Representatives of the State**

1. Ciara J. Lee  
Executive Director
2. David Wagner, Esq., Board Counsel  
Assistant Attorney General
3. Lillian Reese  
Legislative & Regulations Coordinator
4. Troy Pumphrey  
Health Occupations Investigator

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was accepted as submitted.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the 447<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, held on Wednesday, November 10, 2021, will be reviewed during the next Board Meeting, scheduled to be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2022.

**Chair's Report**

Board Chair Anthony stated that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 110.

**Legislative Updates: SB 480 from 2020 *State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators - Renaming and Licensure of Assisted Living Managers*:** Board Chair Anthony provided an overview of the recommended statute amendments of Senate Bill (SB) 480 to reflect updates for the upcoming 2022 Legislative Session. The amendments were suggested by the Legislative Committee on Thursday, December 9, 2021.

A motion was made to move the SB 480 amendments. It was second and carried.

### **Office Report**

Ms. Lee gave the following report:

**Due to the MDH Network Security Incident, the monthly LNHA statistics will be postponed until the next Board Meeting, scheduled for Wednesday January 19, 2022.**

### **Credentials Committee Update**

During the December 7, 2021 Credentials Committee Meeting, the Committee voted to approve the following:

- 2 new 12-month AIT programs
- 1 new 3-month AIT program
- 1 AIT program to resume with a new preceptor and facility
- 2 completed AIT programs that were ready for relicensure
- 2 reinstatement applications
- 1 endorsement application

### **BENHA Board Member Appointment Openings**

The Maryland Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators had three (3) Board Membership openings for 2022. The openings were for the following seats:

- 2 Licensed Nursing Home Administrators Board Member seats; and
- 1 Geriatric Social Worker Board Member seat.

The application for each appointment opening listed closed on Monday, December 13, 2021. At this time, the Governor's Office of Appointments and Executive Nominations is reviewing all submitted applications.

### **2022 Legislative Session Update**

The 2022 Legislative Session is scheduled from January 12, 2022 to April 11, 2022. The House of Delegates Committee proceedings will be conducted virtually. Information regarding the Senate proceedings has not yet been disclosed. Ms. Lillian Reese, Legislative & Regulations Coordinator, will be in constant contact with the Legislative Committee during the Legislative Session period.

### **Move to Closed Session**

A motion was made to move into Closed Session under the Executive Privilege of the Open Meetings Act. It was second and carried.

**Meeting Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m.



Executive Director



Board Chair