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The Direct-Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee meeting was led by Ms. Karen E. Evans, Executive Director of the Maryland Board of Nursing.

Present were: Jan Kriebs, Alexa Richardson, Harold Fox, Jessica Watkins, Elizabeth Reiner, and Kai Parker (via phone). Staff present were Sarah Pendley, Karen E. Evans, Keva Jackson-McCoy, and Monica Mentzer. The meeting began at 10:05 AM. Ms. Evans identified the topics to be discussed and requested the meeting go into closed session. See closed session minutes. A motion to go into open session was made by Alexis, seconded by Harold.

The Committee collectively reviewed item by item the Annual Report and discussed changes be made to items (1) page 2 of document, Of this number, 2 were in Pennsylvania and 25 remained in care at the end of the data collection period, (3) through (8) to move the number before the reason for, item (9) was requested to be reviewed in the Closed Session. On page 3 of the document, under Committee Recommendations, the committee members discussed capitalizing (1) Certified Professional Midwives, and Direct-Entry Midwife, (2) removal of the Inc. for the Association of Independent Midwives of Maryland, and capitalize Licensed Direct-Entry Midwives. A discussion of the term recommends under Committee Recommendations with the decision to leave as is at the present time. Ms. Karen E. Evans requested the Committee continue to work on Committee Recommendations section of the Annual Report in 2018.

The Committee went into further Closed Session at 10:38 AM.