

Direct-Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes March 1, 2024
Approved by the Direct-Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee on April 5, 2024

Direct-Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee
Maryland Board of Nursing
4140 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215

Open Session Meeting Minutes
March 1, 2024

NAME	TITLE	PRESENT	ABSENT
Committee Members			
Paige Barocca, LDEM	Licensed Direct-Entry Midwife Member 1 st Four-Year Term: June 22, 2022 – December 31, 2025		X
Tess Brody, LDEM	Licensed Direct-Entry Midwife Member 1 st Four-Year Term: January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2026		X
Brittany Coffman, LDEM	Licensed Direct-Entry Midwife Member 1 st Four-Year Term: January 26, 2022 – December 31, 2025	X	
Dr. Mairi Breen Rothman, CNM	Certified Nurse Midwife Member 1 st Four-Year Term: January 31, 2023 – January 31, 2027	X	
	Certified Nurse Midwife Member - VACANT		
Dr. Ann B. Burke, M.D.	Representative of Maryland Hospital Association Member, 1 st Four-Year Term: January 31, 2022 – December 31, 2026 Note: Vacancy because prior member resigned. A member appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed. Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 8-6C-11(g)(4).	X	
Jessica Watkins	Consumer Member 2 nd Four-Year Term: January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2025		X
Board Staff			
Monica Mentzer	Manager of Practice, Maryland Board of Nursing	X	
Board Counsel			
Carla Boyd	Assistant Attorney General	X	
Katherine Cummings	Assistant Attorney General		X
Michael Conti	Assistant Attorney General		X
Guests (Members of Public), if Applicable			

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Dianna Shu	Maryland Hospital Association	X	
Caitlyn McDonough	Association of Independent Midwives of Maryland , and the Maryland Families for Safe Birth	X	
Karen Carr, LDEM		X	

Agenda Item (Subject)	Responsible Party	Discussion	Results
1. Call to Order	Monica Mentzer (Board staff)	The following three Committee members were present at the time the meeting was to be called to order, insufficient for a quorum: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brittany Coffman, LDEM;’ 2. Dr. Mairi Rothman, DM, CNM; and 3. Dr. Ann Burke, MD. 	The conference call ended at 10:09 a.m.
2. Committee Assignments – Election of Chairperson to the Committee		The March 1, 2024, Committee meeting, to be held by conference call/Webex only, was unable to commence due to a lack of quorum.	The next Committee meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2024, beginning at 10:00 a.m.
3. Review and approval of the February 2,		The Committee call-in information and agenda were posted on the Board’s website at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.	

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<p>2024, Open Session Committee meeting minutes</p> <p>4. Review of an Application for Licensure to Practice Direct-Entry Midwifery, received by the Board, from Heather A. Walker (update)</p>			
<p>5. Public Business</p>			
<p>6. Upon completing the Open Session Agenda, the Committee expects to close the meeting in accordance with Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. § 3-305.</p>			
<p>7. Adjournment</p>			