



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

**DECEMBER 1, 2021 BOARD MEETING**  
**OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

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**Meeting Held via Google Meet**

**Board Members Present:**

**Linda Rudie, Board Chair, Maryland Department of Health Member**  
**Alan Heck, Vice Chair, At Large Member (exited the meeting at 11:20 a.m.)**  
**Amy Parrish, Private Industry Member (exited the meeting at 10:44 a.m. and rejoined the meeting at 11:42 a.m.)**  
**Naomi Howell, Department of the Environment Member**  
**Ann Rose, At Large Member**  
**Matthew Cumers, Local Health Department Member**

**Absent:**

**Erin Kelly, Local Government Member**  
**Lewis Brown, Consumer Member**  
**Jasen Lau, Consumer Member**

**Staff:**

**Bert Nixon, Executive Director**  
**Donna Zickefoose, Administrator I**  
**Kathleen Cummings Board Counsel**

**Visitors:**

**Kim Link, MDH**  
**Eric Willem, Licensee, MDH**  
**Dan Driscoll, Licensee, Harford County**  
**Lillian Reese, Legislative Coordinator**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Linda Rudie, Board Chair.

**AGENDA** The Agenda for the December 1, 2021 meeting was reviewed. Naomi Howell made a motion to adopt the Agenda as amended with the addition to Item 5. Alan Heck provided a 2<sup>nd</sup> to the Motion. The motion passed. 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained.

**ITEM 1**

**1 (a). Approval of Minutes**

The Open Session Minutes from the October 6, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Matthew Cumers made a motion to adopt the Minutes as submitted. Alan Heck provided a 2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion. The Motion passed. 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained.

**ITEM 2**

**Board Chair Report**

Board Chair, Linda Rudie, reviewed the Items listed on the Agenda. The Board was informed that the Secretary of the Department held a meeting on

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Customer Service and Response.

### **ITEM 3 Executive Director Report**

- 3(a).** Scheduling of Conference Rooms for 2022. Conference rooms will be scheduled for Board Meetings beginning in June, 2022. In person meetings can be further determined at a later date.
- 3(b).** PIA Requests for EHS Information – A Roster had been released to a requestor and complaints had been received from licensees regarding their home address being on the roster. Licensees and Director’s were informed that the licensees work address had been on the roster.
- 3(c).** 141 licensees have not been fully reviewed to determine if they had met the required continuing education credits for the 2021 license expiration cycle. The Board staff is still updating and entering the continuing education into CEU records and adding to the “Approved Courses” list.
- 3(d).** Stats from the Licensing Database:
1. Active Seasonal Certificates – 31
  2. Active Licensed Environmental Health Specialists – 512
  3. Active In-Training Certificates – 102
  4. Active Certificate of Eligibility Certificates – 156
- 3(e).** The Board had received 1 exam passing score since the October Board Meeting.
- 3(f).** The Board is required to prepare an Annual Report. The Report has been completed and sent to the Governor, Secretary of the Department, Lillian Reese and posted on the Board’s webpage.

### **ITEM 4 Credentialing:**

- 4(a).** Request received by the Board to re-evaluate the determined in-training period with the certificate holder’s past work experience to be recognized. A letter from the prior employer was read to the Board for its determination of applicable prior job description duties. Matthew Cumers made a Motion to approve the prior two years of work experience to be applied to the in-training period. Alan Heck provided a 2<sup>nd</sup> to the Motion. Motion passed. 4 in Favor, 1 Opposed - Naomi Howell, 0 Abstained.

### **ITEM 5 Legislative/Regulations**

- 5(a).** Addition to the Agenda – Preliminary legislation 2lr1130 for the Board to review. No current proposed regulations at this time.

### **ITEM 6 Work Force Work Group**

No update at this time.

### **ITEM 7 Continuing Education Committee**

Below are the training courses that were ratified at the December 1, 2021 Board Meeting. Ann Rose made a Motion to accept the approved training courses. Matthew Cumers provided a 2<sup>nd</sup> to the Motion. Motion passed. 5 In favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained.

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### 2019 – 2021 Licensing Cycle

1. Environmental Health Training in Emergency Response Awareness Course (8)
2. APTI 418 NOX Emissions Control from Stationary Sources (18)
3. Finding's from EPA's PFAS Innovative Treatment Team on PFAS Destruction Technologies (1)
4. 2021 Virtual Conference on Lead and Healthy Housing (28)
5. Tree Trooper Training (4.5)
6. Mosquitoes: Right Trap, Right Place (1.25)
7. Air Quality and Environmental Noise – EPHOC (2)
8. Reduced Oxygen Packaging at Retail (1)
9. VCEHP 105: Mosquito Biology and Control (1)
10. VCEHP 102: IPM Basics for Environmental Health Professionals (1)
11. VCEHP 108: Public Health Insect Pests on Food and Housing Environments (1)
12. VCEHP 106: Toxicology of Pesticides for Environmental Health Professionals (1)
13. VCEHP 104: Tick Biology and Control (1)
14. VCEHP 103: Performance Assessment and Improvement of Vector Control Services (1)
15. VCEHP 110: Risk Communication Basics for Environmental Health Professionals (1)
16. VCEHP 109: Pest Management Considerations for Schools (1)
17. VCEHP 111: Bed Bugs – Identification, Biology and Control (1)
18. Bariod Mud School (10)
19. 2021 MARAMA Mobile Sources Workshop (15)

### 2021 – 2023 Licensing Cycle

1. ENVM 643 9040 Environmental Communications and Reporting (30)
2. Sweeping Implications of the Proposed Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (1)
3. Emerging Contaminations: Research to Reality (1)
4. Reducing Drownings Through Epidemiology and Interventions (1)
5. EHTER – Awareness Level – Radiation and Environmental Health Responses (3)
6. Reduced Oxygen Packaging, Charcuterie & Fermentation (16)
7. 2021 FDA Retail Food Protection Seminar (16)
8. Septic Systems 101 (1.5)
9. IS-00700.c Introduction to Incident Command System (2)
10. Rabies in the US: Facts not Fear (2)
11. IS-00700.b An Introduction to the National Incident Management System (3.5)
12. Pool Inspection Training for Environmental Health Professionals (8)
13. 2021 Fall Educational Conference & Interstate Environmental Health Seminar (8)
14. VCEHP 105: Mosquito Biology and Control (1)
15. VCEHP 102: IPM Basics for Environmental Health Professionals (1)
16. VCEHP 108: Public Health Insect Pests on Food and Housing Environments (1)
17. VCEHP 106: Toxicology of Pesticides for Environmental Health Professionals (1)

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18. VCEHP 104: Tick Biology and Control (1)
19. VCEHP 103: Performance Assessment and Improvement of Vector Control Services (1)
20. VCEHP 110: Risk Communication Basics for Environmental Health Professionals (1)
21. VCEHP 109: Pest Management Considerations for Schools (1)
22. VCEHP 111: Bed Bugs – Identification, Biology and Control (1)
23. Bariod Mud School (10)
24. PEST Education and Outreach in IPM Implementation Integrated Mosquito Management: What It Is and What It Isn't (1)
25. The Private Well Course – Section 1 (1)
26. The Private Well Course – Section 2 (1)
27. New Era of Smarter Food Safety Summit on E-Commerce: Ensuring the Safety of Foods Ordered Online and Delivered Directly to Consumers (15)
28. 2021 MOWPA Conference (11-3-21) (6.25)

### **IEM 8 Status of Work Processed**

#### **Initial Licenses Issued (2)**

1. Hannah Leiberg (9-24-21 exam)
2. Paris Newman (8-16-21 exam)

#### **License Reactivation (2)**

1. Seth Robbins
2. Christopher Iheahacho

#### **Certificates of Eligibility Issued (15)**

1. Jarrod Wrencher
2. Brendan Demas
3. Virginia Jeppi
4. Zedra Taylor
5. Ameze Uweh
6. Morgan Gingels
7. Colin Kytchak
8. Stephen Carey
9. Marianne Gruber
10. Karen Warpinski
11. Colin Murphy
12. Henry Mello, II
13. Autum Cornbrooks
14. Brooke Zibell
15. Gilles Valdez Tange Kamgue

#### **In-Training Certificates Issued (6)**

1. Lillian Kerns
2. Katelyn Capozzoli
3. Colin McCoy

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4. Gilles Valdez Tange Kamgue
5. Brendan Demas
6. Melissa Queen

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

The Board will schedule another day in December to hold the Administrative Session.

Adjourn – At 12:05 P.M. a motion was made by Ann Rose to close the Open Session. Matthew Cumers provided a 2<sup>nd</sup> to the Motion. Motion passed. 5 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 abstained.



Linda Rudie  
Board Chair



Bert Nixon  
Executive Director

**Date: February 2, 2022**

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