

Board of Registration in Midwifery
General Session Minutes
Meeting Held by Phone/Video Conference
DATE: August 28, 2025 TIME: 10:00am

**A public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Midwifery (“the Board”)
was held via Webex.**

Board Members Present by Phone/Video:

Rebecca Herman, Chair
Susan Hernandez, Secretary
Zev Colsen
Anna Whelan
Nicole Pegher
Kristin Brennan
Jessica Petrone

DPH Staff Present by Phone/Video:

Diane Barry, Board Counsel
Thomas F. Burke, Executive Director
Margaret McKenna, Program Coordinator
Monique Brown, Board Staff
Katherine Wu, Board Intern

Board Members Not Present by Phone/Video:

Tejumola Adegoke

Administrative Tasks:

Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call Vote for Attendance

Board Chair, Rebecca Herman, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. The chair established quorum via calling attendance: Kristin Brennan, Zev Colsen, Jessica Petrone, Susan Hernandez, Anna Whelan, Nicole Pegher and Rebecca Herman. All members participated remotely via Webex by Cisco.

Board Business:

- Approve general session agenda for August 28, 2025 – VOTE
Nicole Pegher moved to approve the agenda for August 28, 2025. Anna Whelan seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “yes”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “yes”; Rebecca Herman – “yes”; Tejumola Adegoke – “not present”.
- Review general session minutes for July 17, 2025
Anna Whelan moved to approve the July 17, 2025 general session minutes. Zev Colsen seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “yes”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “yes”; Rebecca Herman – “yes”; Tejumola Adegoke – “not present”.

- Executive Director Report

The executive director announced that a public member was sworn in and will attend the subsequent board meeting. The director notified board members of the statutory requirement to hold annual elections for board chair and secretary at a date of the Board's choosing. He reminded board members that in October there will be a hybrid meeting with in-person attendance at 250 Washington Street.

- Board counsel report

Board counsel reviewed Open Meeting Law requirements.

- Dr. Cristina Alonso Lord, Director of Pregnancy, Infancy and Early Childhood at the Bureau of Family Health and Nutrition and Advisor to the Board

Director Lord addressed recent additions to birth certificate information for mandatory reporting relevant to the practice of licensed certified professional midwifery.

Board Discussion:

- 274 CMR 5.00 Scope of Practice for Licensed Certified Professional Midwives (LCPM) – Draft

Board members discussed draft regulation 274 CMR 5.00: Scope of Practice for Licensed Certified Professional Midwives and proposed changes. Board chair instructed staff to present a redlined copy of amended regulation at the subsequent meeting.

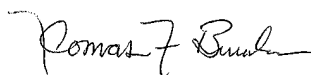
- 274 CMR 7.00 Investigations, Complaints and Board Actions – Draft

Deferred.

Adjournment:

At 1:05 p.m., Zev Colsen moved to adjourn the general session meeting. Kristin Brennan seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “yes”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “yes”; Rebecca Herman – “yes”; Tejumola Adegoke – “not present”.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas F. Burke, Executive Director

Documents used in the public session meeting:

- Agenda for August 28, 2025 board meeting
- General session minutes for July 17, 2025 meeting
- Draft regulation 274 CMR 5.00 Scope of Practice for Licensed Certified Professional Midwives
- Draft regulation 274 CMR 7.00 Investigations, Complaints and Board Actions

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