

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF GENETIC COUNSELORS**

**THIS AGENDA CONSTITUTES NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF GENETIC COUNSELORS
IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING LAW, M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20**

Tuesday, July 1, 2021
09:30 a.m.

General Session is open to the public and will be held via Webex at:
<https://statema.webex.com/statema/j.php?MTID=m93d4089bad1afad327d90b147ac896ad>

Call-In Telephone number 1-866-692-3580 (toll-free)

Meeting Number/Access Code: 161 855 8723

Meeting Password: pB4u6ZQVXB8

All Votes Must Be Via Roll Call

Agenda

Time	Item #	Item	Exhibits	Staff Contact
9:30 AM	I	Call to Order Notice of Electronic Recording Determination of Quorum		Board Chair
	II	Approval of Agenda	Draft Agenda	Board Chair
	III	Approval of Minutes A. April 1, 2020	Draft Minutes	Board Chair
	IV	Investigations Triage(s): N/A Staff Assignment(s): N/A Complaint(s): N/A	N/A	N/A
	V	Flex Session A. Announcements B. Topics for next agenda	N/A	ED
	VI	Executive Session: N/A	N/A	N/A
	VII	65C Session: N/A	N/A	N/A
	VIII	Adjudicatory Session: N/A	N/A	N/A
	IX	Adjournment – Next Board meeting scheduled for October 7, 2021		Board Chair

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF GENETIC COUNSELORS
BOARD MEETING

Thursday, July 1, 2021

9:30 a.m.

Via WebEx

MINUTES

Board Members Present: Diane Ahern, Genetic Counselor
Shelley McCormick, Genetic Counselor
Allison Cirino, Genetic Counselor
Stephanie Coury, Genetic Counselor

Board Members not present: Jillian Fleming, Public Member

Staff Present: Karen Geoghegan, Assistant Executive Director, Multi-Boards, BHPL
Mary Strachan, Board Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, BHPL
Eleanor Montgomery, Office Support Specialist, Multi-Boards, BHPL

Staff not Present: Steven Joubert, Executive Director, Multi-Boards. BHPL

I. Call to Order | Determination of Quorum

Board Chair, Allison Cirino called the meeting of the Board of Registration of Genetic Counselors to order at 9:31 A.M. and let everyone know that the meeting was being recorded. A quorum of the Board was established with members present via WebEx as follows: Diane Ahern: Present; Allison Cirino: Present; Stephanie Coury: Present; Shelley McCormick: Present. Absent: Jillian Fleming.

II. Approval of Agenda

DISCUSSION:

Board Chair, Ms. Allison Cirino asked the Board members to review the General Session agenda and disclose if there were any conflicts of interest regarding the items on the agenda. No conflicts of interest were disclosed.

ACTION:

Motion to approve the July 1, 2021 Agenda by Ms. Cirino, seconded by Ms. Shelley McCormick and passed unanimously by Board members present as follows: Diane Ahern: yes; Allison Cirino: yes; Stephanie Coury: yes; Shelley McCormick: yes; Absent: Jillian Fleming; Recused: None, Abstained: None.

Document: General Session Board Meeting Agenda – July 1, 2021

III. Approval of Minutes:
Ms. Cirino asked everyone to review the minutes from April 1, 2021.

DISCUSSION:
None.

ACTION:
Ms. Cirino made a motion to approve the April 1, 2021 minutes as presented, seconded by Ms. Coury and passed unanimously by roll-call vote as follows: Diane Ahern: yes; Allison Cirino: yes; Stephanie Coury: yes; Shelley McCormick: yes; Absent: Jillian Fleming; Recused: None, Abstained: None.

Document: April 1, 2021 General Session Minutes

IV. Investigations: N/A

V. Flex Session:

A. Announcements:

Ms. Karen Geoghegan announced that legislation passed which allowed the Board to continue remote meetings until April 2022.

B. Topics for next agenda:

Board members discussed their role outside of Board meetings. Ms. Strachan explained that they can pass along frequently asked questions from Genetic Counselors in the field and they are expected to discuss complaints, but there have historically been few complaints. She additionally mentioned that they could discuss any advocacy or lobbying efforts led by a national professional organization that they are a part of.

Ms. Cirino stated that she was aware of an effort by a national organization to recognize Genetic Counselors within the Medicare system. She indicated that she would pass on this information to Board staff.

VI. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 9:47 A.M. by Ms. Cirino, seconded by Ms. McCormick and passed unanimously by Board members present as follows: Diane Ahern: yes; Allison Cirino: yes; Stephanie Coury: yes; Shelley McCormick: yes; Absent: Jillian Fleming; Recused: None, Abstained: None.

The next meeting of the Board of Registration of Genetic Counselors is scheduled on **October 7, 2021** in Boston, MA.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Registration of Genetic Counselors