

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Bureau of Health Professions Licensure
Board of Registration of Physician Assistants
250 Washington Street
Boston, MA 02108**

Public Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2025

A public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Physician Assistants (the Board) was held remotely with video and audio conference as an alternate means of public access.

Attendees were informed that the meeting was being recorded.

Dr. Julie Hurley, Vice Chair, noted a quorum of members present via video or phone and called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Julie Hurley, DSc PAS, MS, PA-C, Physician Assistant 1, Vice Chair
Guerline Menard, MMS, PA-C, Physician Assistant 3, Secretary
Jessica Spissinger, PA-C, PA Educator
Kenneth Wakwe, PA-C, Physician Assistant 2
Stephen Wood, DMSc, ACNP-BC, Public Member 2

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ryan Lapham, Public Member 1
Kevin Simon, MD, MMS Physician Member
Melissa Sundberg, MD, Physician Member

STAFF PRESENT

Lisa Guglietta, Board Executive Director
Katie Goldrick, Board Associate Executive Director
Rebecca Barros, Esq., Board Counsel
Lauren McShane, Investigations Supervisor
Lisa Seeley-Murphy, Investigator

ATTENDANCE:

Dr. Julie Hurley, Vice Chair, took attendance by roll call and a quorum of board members was recorded with the following members present via video conference: *Hurley, Menard, Spissinger, Wakwe, Wood*

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The Vice Chair asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Thereafter Guerline Menard made a motion to approve the meeting agenda, seconded by Dr. Stephen Wood and VOTED (roll call); **to approve the September 11, 2025 agenda as drafted.**

in-favor: Hurley, Menard, Spissinger, Wakwe, Wood
opposed: none

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

The Vice Chair asked for a motion to approve the draft public meeting minutes of July 10, 2025. Thereafter a motion was made by Guerline Menard, seconded by Dr. Julie Hurley and VOTED (roll call); **to approve the public meeting minutes of July 10, 2025 as drafted.**

in-favor: Hurley, Menard, Spissinger
opposed: none
abstain: Wakwe, Wood

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Executive Director called for nominations for **Chair** of the Board. Guerline Menard nominated Dr. Julie Hurley for Chair and Jessica Spissinger seconded the nomination.

Thereafter a motion was made by Dr. Stephen Wood, seconded by Guerline Menard and VOTED (roll call); **to approve Dr. Julie Hurley as Chair of the Board.**

in-favor: Hurley, Menard, Spissinger, Wakwe, Wood
opposed: none

Dr. Julie Hurley nominated Guerline Menard for **Vice Chair** of the Board. Dr. Stephen Wood seconded the nomination. Thereafter a motion was made by Dr. Julie Hurley, seconded by Ken Wakwe and VOTED (roll call); **to approve Guerline Menard as Vice Chair of the Board.**

in-favor: Hurley, Menard, Spissinger, Wakwe, Wood
opposed: none

Guerline Menard nominated Jessica Spissinger for **Secretary** of the Board. Dr. Julie Hurley seconded the nomination. Thereafter a motion was made by Dr. Julie Hurley, seconded by Ken Wakwe and VOTED (roll call); **to approve Jessica Spissinger as Secretary of the Board.**

in-favor: Hurley, Menard, Spissinger, Wakwe, Wood
opposed: none

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:23 a.m. a motion was made by Dr. Julie Hurley, seconded by Guerline Menard and VOTED (roll call); **to end the public session and go into closed executive session per G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1)** for the purpose of discussing the reputation, character, physical condition, or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. Specifically, to evaluate the Good Moral Character as required for registration for a pending applicant.

in-favor: Hurley, Menard, Spissinger, Wakwe, Wood
opposed: none

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Guglietta, Executive Director
Board of Registration of Physician Assistants

Documents used by the Board during open session:

- *Posted agenda 9/11/2025*
- *Draft public meeting minutes of 7/10/2025*