

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Department of Public Health
Bureau of Health Profession Licensure
Board of Registration of Respiratory Care
250 Washington Street
Boston, MA 02108**

**August 29, 2024
Via WebEx**

GENERAL SESSION MINUTES (OPEN SESSION)

Board Members

Present: Jason Morin, Respiratory Therapist, Board Chair
Brian Bloom, MD
Daniel Fisher, Respiratory Therapist
Meaghan Kaplan, Consumer
Adrian Velasquez, MD

Board Members

Not Present: William Beal, Consumer, Board Vice Chair

Staff Present:

Steven Joubert, Executive Director, Multi-Boards, BHPL
Tracy Tam, Assistant Executive Director, Multi-Boards, BHPL
Kayla Mikalauski, Management Analyst, Multi-Boards, BHPL
Meghan Bresnahan, Board Counsel, DPH

- I. Call to Order | Determination of Quorum | Notice of Electronic Recording
Mr. Jason Morin, Board Chair, called the General Session of the Board of Registration of Respiratory Care meeting to order at 1:00pm, and asked for a roll call vote to determine quorum. Dr. Brian Bloom: present, Mr. Daniel Fisher: Present, Ms. Meaghan Kaplan: present, Mr. Jason Morin: present, Dr. Adrian Velasquez: present.
Absent: Mr. William Beal
- II. Conflict of Interest | Approval of Agenda

Discussion:
None

Action:

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Dr. Brian Bloom, seconded by Dr. Adrian Velasquez, and unanimously passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Brian Bloom: yes, Mr. Daniel Fisher: yes, Ms. Meaghan Kaplan: yes, Mr. Jason Morin: yes, Dr. Adrian Velasquez: yes.

Absent: Mr. William Beal

Document: August 29, 2024, General Session Agenda

III. Approval of Executive Session Minutes

The General Session Minutes for July 18, 2024, were reviewed for approval.

Discussion:

Mr. Fisher noted that in the attendance section of the minutes he was written as the Board Chair. Mr. Joubert stated board staff would fix the minutes to reflect Mr. Morin as the board chair.

Action:

Motion to approve the amended minutes was made by Ms. Meaghan Kaplan, seconded by Mr. Daniel Fisher, and unanimously passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Brian Bloom: yes, Mr. Daniel Fisher: yes, Ms. Meaghan Kaplan: yes, Mr. Jason Morin: abstain, Dr. Adrian Velasquez: yes.

Absent: Mr. William Beal

Document: July 18, 2024, General Session Minutes

IV. Triage: N/A

V. Flex Session:

Mr. Steven Joubert asked the Board who will be in attendance for the next Respiratory meeting. At this time, the only member who is unable to attend is Mr. Fisher. All other members will be in attendance.

Mr. Steven Joubert addressed the 261 CMR 3.0 Limited Licensure Respiratory Guidance memo stating that the memo has been written and is being reviewed by legal at this time. Ms. Meghan Bresnahan acknowledged that this was being reviewed by legal.

VI. Executive Session:

Mr. Jason Morin, Board Chair, read the Executive Session Statement as follows: "The Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) for the purposes 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 an individual. 1. Specifically, the Board will consider approving prior executive session minutes in accordance with M.G.L. ch.30A, § 22() for previous executive sessions of the Board. 2. Specifically, the Board will discuss complaints or charges brought against a Licensee or Licensees. The Board will not reconvene in public session subsequent to the closed session(s)".

ACTION:

Motion to move to Executive Session was made by Dr. Brian Bloom, seconded by Mr. Jason Morin, and unanimously passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Brian Bloom: yes, Mr. Daniel Fisher: yes, Ms. Meaghan Kaplan: yes, Mr. Jason Morin: abstain, Dr. Adrian Velasquez: yes.

Absent: Mr. William Beal

VII. Adjournment:

Action:

Motion to adjourn the General Session made by Dr. Brian Bloom, seconded Mr. Jason Morin, and unanimously passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Brian Bloom: yes, Mr. Daniel Fisher: yes, Ms. Meaghan Kaplan: yes, Mr. Jason Morin: abstain, Dr. Adrian Velasquez: yes.

Absent: Mr. William Beal

Let the record show that the meeting was adjourned at 1:18 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

The Board of Registration of Respiratory Care