**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE**

**THIS AGENDA CONSTITUTES NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE**

**IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING LAW, M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20**

**Thursday, March 17, 2022**

**1:30 PM**

**General Session is open to the public and will be held via Webex at:** <https://eohhs.webex.com/eohhs/j.php?MTID=ma71fce7591e76d11abdc007f2d646b26> **Call-In Telephone number 1-617-315-0704**

**Meeting Number/Access Code:** 2530 633 8707

**Meeting Password:** ssB2JWYHW23

**Agenda**

**All Votes Must Be Via Roll Call**

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| **Time** | **Item #** | **Item** | **Exhibits** | **Staff Contact** |
| **1:30**  **PM** | **I** | **Call to Order Determination of Quorum**  **Notice of electronic recording** |  | Chair |
|  | **II** | **Conflict of Interest Approval of Agenda** | Draft Agenda | Chair |
|  | **III** | **Approval of Minutes**   1. February 17, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes 2. March 1, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes | Draft Minutes | Chair |
|  | **IV** | **Open Investigations: N/A**  Triage: N/A  Staff Assignments: N/A Complaint: N/A |  |  |
|  | **V** | **Flex Session**   1. Announcements 2. Topics for next agenda | Verbal Discussion | ED |

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| **2:30**  **PM** | **VI** | **Executive Session (Roll call vote):**  The Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to  M.G.L. c.30A, § 21(a)(1) for the purpose of discussing the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, individuals, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual.   1. In addition, the Board will discuss and evaluate the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of licensee(s) relevant to their petitions for license status change. 2. In addition, the Board will consider approval of prior executive session minutes in accordance with M.G.L. c.30A,   § 22(f) for sessions held during for previous executive sessions of the Board.  **The Board will not reconvene in open session subsequent to the closed session(s).** |  | Chair |
|  | **VII** | **Adjournment-**next Board meeting scheduled for April 21, 2022 |  | Chair |

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COMMONWEATH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

**BOARD MEETING**

Thursday, March 17, 2022

# 1:00 PM

Via WebEx

**MINUTES**

Board Members Present: Jason Morin, RT, Board Chair

Mr. William Beal, Board Vice-Chair Brian Bloom, MD, Board Member Samy Sidhom, MD, Board Member

Board Members not present:

Amy Keenan, RN, Board Member

Staff Present: Steven Joubert, Executive Director, Multi-Boards, BHPL

Karen Geoghegan, Assistant Executive Director, Multi-Boards, BHPL Heather Engman, Board Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, BHPL Patricia Young, Office Support Specialist, Multi-Boards, BHPL

Laura Bongiorno, Office Support Specialist, Multi-Boards, BHPL

Staff Not

Present Mary Strachan, Board Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, BHPL

1. Call to Order | Determination of Quorum | Notice of Electronic Recording

Jason Morin, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M. He reminded those present via WebEx that the meeting was being recorded. A quorum of the Board of Respiratory Care was established with members present via WebEx as follows: Jason Morin: present; William Beal: present; Samy Sidhom: present; Brian Bloom: present. Absent: Amy Keenan.

It was noted that Ms. Greener has resigned from the Board.

1. Conflict of Interest | Approval of Agenda

The open session meeting agenda was reviewed.

# DISCUSSION:

Jason Morin 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 agenda made by Dr. Bloom, seconded by Mr. Beal and unanimously passed by roll call vote as follows: William Beal: yes; Samy Sidhom: yes: Brian Bloom: yes; Jason Morin: yes. Absent: Amy Keenan. Abstained: none. Opposed: none. Recused: none.

DOCUMENT**:** March 17, 2202 Regular Session Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes

Board members were asked to review the minutes from February 17, 2022.

# DISCUSSION:

None.

# ACTION:

Motion to approve the February 17, 2022 minutes made by Mr. Beal, seconded by Dr. Bloom and unanimously passed by roll call vote as follows: Jason Morin: yes; William Beal: yes; Brian Bloom: yes. Absent: Amy Keenan. Abstained: Samy Sidhom. Opposed: none. Recused: none.

DOCUMENT**:** February 17, 2022 General Session Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes

Board members were asked to review the minutes from March 1, 2022.

# DISCUSSION:

None.

# ACTION:

Motion to approve the March 1, 2022 minutes made by Dr. Bloom, seconded by Mr. Beal and unanimously passed by roll call vote as follows: Jason Morin: yes; William Beal: yes; Brian Bloom: yes; Samy Sidhom: yes. Absent: Amy Keenan. Abstained: None. Opposed: none. Recused: none.

DOCUMENT**:** March 1, 2022 General Session Minutes

1. Open Investigations: N/A
2. Flex Session
   1. Announcements: None
   2. Topics for Next Session:
      1. Mr. Joubert said he had been receiving calls from students stating their license will expire before they will graduate in May. He said that in looking at the licenses, it appears

that some were issued licenses that expire in two years. He said that the regulations state that their license expires one year after graduation. Mr. Joubert stated that he is exploring ways internally to address the issue. He said that because of the Executive order extending licenses, those student licenses have been extended to June 30th. He said that he planned to do some research and expected to bring item to the Board’s next meeting. He stated that he wanted the Board to be aware of issue in the event they hear from the community about the issue.

Mr. Morin has asked for the full regulations relating to a student or a limited license, specifically the parameters a student must meeting in order to stay eligible through that time period.

1. Executive Session:

# ACTION:

Motion to move to executive session by Dr. Bloom, seconded by Mr. Beal and unanimously passed by roll call vote as follows: Jason Morin: yes; William Beal: yes; Samy Sidhom: yes; Brian Bloom: yes. Absent: Amy Keenan. Abstained: none. Opposed: none. Recused: none.

# VIII.

Adjournment:

# ACTION:

Motion to adjourn made by Dr. Bloom seconded by Mr. Beal and unanimously passed by roll call vote as follows: Jason Morin: yes; William Beal: yes; Samy Sidhom: yes; Brian Bloom: yes. Absent: Amy Keenan. Abstained: none. Opposed: none. Recused: none.

The Board adjourned at 1:42 P. M.

The next meeting of the Board of Respiratory Care is scheduled for April 21**, 2022.**

Respectfully submitted: Board of Respiratory Care