

MAURA HEALEY GOVERNOR

KIM DRISCOLL LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

YVONNE HAO
SECRETARY, EXECUTIVE OFFICE
OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Occupational Licensure Office of Public Safety and Inspections

1000 Washington Street, Suite 710 Boston, Massachusetts 02118 LAYLA R. D'EMILIA UNDERSECRETARY, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND BUSINESS REGULATION

SARAH R. WILKINSON COMMISSIONER, DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE

Public Meeting Minutes

Date: July 19, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Virtual Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 A.M.

1. Roll Call

Commissioners
Bryan Lambert – Chair
Oded Carmi
Thomas Lacey – Designee to DOL Commissioner

Staff

Chris Rogers – Executive Director
Jamie Dalton – Board Counsel
Paige Brenner – Program Coordinator
Andrew Bridges – Associate Deputy Commissioner
Greer Spatz – General Counsel
Sarah Wilkinson – DOL Commissioner

2. Discussion – Hearing Protocols

Executive Director Chris Rogers opened the discussion citing 10 complaints related to an incident that occurred at a sanctioned event promoted by TCL on Wednesday July 17, 2024. In the interest of reviewing these complaints in a timely manner, staff inquired if the Commission could meet in the next week to hold hearings related to the complaints. The content of the complaints varying in their violations were relayed to the Commission. It was noted that there could potentially be more complaints related to this issue for the Commission to review later. A brief discussion was had regarding whom to delegate the hearings to, as there is a concern that a commissioner who was at the event appearing as a hearings officer may not be able to be impartial, and that potentially delegating the hearings to multiple commissioners could have the potential to provide inconsistent discipline. Oded Carmi noted that swift discipline needs to be applied, however any suspension needs to be addressed with caution.

TELEPHONE: (617) 701-8600 MSAC@mass.gov TTY/TDD: (617) 701-8645 http://www.mass.gov/dpl

Oded Carmi then made a motion to delegate to Commissioner Bryan Lambert the ability to hear and decide on all hearings related to the Wednesday, July 17th TCL event. Thomas Lacey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Oded Carmi then made a motion to delegate to staff the ability to move complaints from investigation to hearings only for the complaints associated with the July 17th TCL event. Thomas Lacey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Thomas Lacey next made a motion to move to closed session and to then adjourn from closed session.

- 3. Investigatory Conference -- CLOSED per M G. L c. 112 §, 65C
- 4. Quasi-Judicial Session CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, §, 18. (d)
- **5.** Other matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 AM