

**In Attendance**

Sheila E. Battle, MHS, Citizen Member  
Helene Clayton-Jeter, OD, Board of Optometry  
Kevin Doyle, EdD, LPC, LSATP, Board of Counseling  
Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA, Board of Nursing  
Allen Jones, Jr., DPT, PT, Board of Physical Therapy  
Louis Jones, FSL, Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers  
Steve Karras, DVM, Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Derrick Kendall, NHA, Board of Long-Term Care Administrators  
Alison King, PhD, CCC-SLP, Board of Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology  
Ryan Logan, RPh, Board of Pharmacy  
Kevin O'Connor, MD, Board of Medicine  
John Salay, MSW, LCSW, Board of Social Work  
Herb Stewart, PhD, Board of Psychology  
James Watkins, DDS, Board of Dentistry  
James Wells, RPh, Citizen Member

**Absent**

Sahil Chaudhary, Citizen Member  
Martha Rackets, PhD, Citizen Member  
Maribel Ramos, Citizen Member

**DHP Staff**

Barbara Allison-Bryan, MD, Deputy Director DHP  
David Brown, DC, Director DHP  
Elizabeth A. Carter, PhD, Executive Director BHP  
Jaime Hoyle, JD, Executive Director Boards of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work  
Laura Jackson, MSHSA, Operations Manager BHP  
Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General  
Rajana Siva, MBA, Research Analyst BHP  
Yetty Shobo, PhD, Deputy Executive Director BHP  
Corie E. Tillman-Wolf, JD, Executive Director Boards of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, Long-Term Care Administrators and Physical Therapy  
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst DHP

**Speakers**

No speakers signed-in

**Observers**

Rebekah Allen, VDH

**Emergency Egress**

Dr. Carter

<b>Call to Order</b>	Dr. Stewart, Board Vice Chair, filled-in for Dr. Jones, Jr. who was delayed by traffic. Time: 10:04 a.m. Quorum: Established
<b>Public Comment</b>	No public comment was provided.
<b>Board Member Introduction</b>	With two newly appointed board members, Dr. Stewart asked each board member to introduce themselves.
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	Dr. Stewart
Motion	A clarification was made by Ms. Hershkowitz to the Board of Nursing report that a second additional license for NP prescriptive authority has been eliminated. With this change, a motion to accept the edited meeting minutes from the December 2, 2019 Full Board meeting was made and properly seconded. All members were in favor, none opposed.
<b>Director's Report</b>	Dr. Brown shared that this years General Assembly has been exceedingly busy, with a lot of interest in health care. He provided an overview of CBD oils, hemp and medical marijuana, who is permitted to prescribe and the progress being made by the Board of Pharmacy in licensing dispensaries.
<b>Legislative and Regulatory Report</b>	Ms. Yeatts stated that there are 65 actions, in different stages, that relate to DHP. She reviewed the bills associated with DHP and provided additional information for specific professions. The Art Therapy study was approved requiring licensure for art therapists, placing this new profession under the Board of Counseling; and the Music Therapy study was also approved requiring licensure of music therapists, placing this new profession under the Board of Social Work. The Board of Health Professions has been tasked with studying Diagnostic Medical Sonography and Naturopathic Doctors. Board staff will be assisting as needed with the SJ 49 study request into the Need for additional micro-level, mezzo-level, and macro-level social workers and increased compensation.
<b>Board Chair Report</b>	Dr. Jones, Jr. introduced newly appointed Board of Health Professions board members Sheila Battle, Citizen Member and Steve Karras with the Board of Veterinary Medicine.
<b>Executive Director's Report</b>	<p>Dr. Carter reviewed the Board's budget and provided insight into the agency's statistics and performance. The Boards mission statement needs to be revised and board members were tasked with providing input on changes for the May 27, 2020 meeting. The 2020 Board work plan was also reviewed.</p> <p>Dr. O'Connor will be providing detailed information to the Director's Office regarding a study on Certified Anesthesiology Assistants. The last study on this profession was completed in October 2017 with the Boards unanimous conclusion that the criteria for regulation by Virginia had not been met.</p>

**Executive  
Director's Report-  
Continued**

Extending the current one year term to a two year term for the positions of Board Chair and Vice Chair was discussed. It was determined that the Board would follow a similar structure to that of the Board of Nursing which has three seats: President, First Vice President and Second Vice President. The matter will need to be addressed following Guidance Document amendment procedures.

**Healthcare  
Workforce Data  
Center**

Dr. Carter and Dr. Shobo provided an update on the Center's workforce reports and data requests.

**Lunch**

11:49 a.m.

**Individual Board  
Reports**

Board of Counseling - Dr. Doyle (Attachment 1)

Board of Pharmacy - Mr. Logan stated that the board voted unanimously to adopt the Regulation Committee's recommendation to send a recommendation to the Health Commissioner that he also consider taking a more immediate action to prohibit CBD or THC-A formulations intended to be vaped or inhaled from containing Vitamin E acetate. Mr. Logan also discussed immunization administration recordkeeping to be used by hospital pharmacists.

Board of Funeral Directors & Embalmers - Mr. Jones (Attachment 2)

Board of Long-Term Care Administrators - Mr. Kendall (Attachment 3)

Board of Social Work - Mr. Salay (Attachment 4)

Board of Dentistry - Dr. Watkins (Attachment 5)

Board of Psychology - Dr. Stewart (Attachment 6)

Board of Physical Therapy - Dr. Jones, Jr. (Attachment 7)

Board of Optometry- Dr. Clayton-Jeter (Attachment 8)

Board of Veterinary Medicine - Dr. Karras (Attachment 9)

Board of Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology - Dr. King (Attachment 10)

Board of Medicine - Dr. O'Connor stated that the board met last week and at that meeting it was determined that an ad-hoc committee would be formed to discuss stem-cells. FSMBs 2020 meeting will be held in San Diego and five (5) Board of Medicine members will be attending. Half of the current board member terms will be expiring June 30, 2020.

Board of Nursing - Ms. Hershkowitz (Attachment 11)

**New Business**

There was discussion on the steps being taken by the Commonwealth in regards to the coronavirus. Dr. Allison-Bryan advised that she would be sharing a letter that she received from the Virginia Department of Health on this subject matter.

**Next Full Board Meeting**

Dr. Jones, Jr. advised the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for May 27, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

**Adjourned**

1:12 p.m.

**Chair  
Signature**

Allen Jones, Jr., DPT, PT

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**Board Executive  
Director  
Signature**

Elizabeth A. Carter, PhD

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