

**FINAL APPROVED**

**ADVISORY BOARD ON GENETIC COUNSELING**

**Minutes**

May 23, 2022

The Advisory Board on Genetic Counseling met on Monday, May 23, 2022 at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tahnee Causey, GC, Chair  
Lydia Higgs, GC, Vice-Chair  
Martha Thomas, GC  
Lori Swain, Citizen

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Michael Sobowale, LLM, Deputy Director for Licensure  
Erin Barrett, JD, DHP Senior Policy Analyst  
Colanthia Opher, Deputy Director for Administration  
Delores Cousins, Licensure Specialist

**GUESTS PRESENT:** None

**Call to Order**

Tahnee Causey called the meeting to order at 1:07p.m.

**Emergency Egress Procedures**

Erin Barrett announced the emergency egress instructions.

**Roll Call**

Roll was called; a quorum was declared.

### **Approval of the October 4, 2021 Minutes**

Lydia Higgs moved to adopt the minutes. Martha Thomas seconded, and the motion passed.

### **Adoption of Agenda**

Lori Swain moved to adopt the Agenda. Martha Thomas seconded, and the motion passed.

### **Public Comment on Agenda Items**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **1. Legislative Update from the 2022 General Assembly**

Erin Barrett covered relevant legislation from the Session, including SB317.

#### **2. Discussion of Failed Certification Examination and Temporary Licensure**

Tahnee Causey led this discussion.

#### **3. Consider Adoption of Bylaws**

Michael Sobowale indicated that no discussion was needed.

### **Announcements:**

Delores Cousins gave statistics:

- Issued-license-count 1/1/2021 to 12/31/2021 = 102
- Issued-license-count 1/1/2022 to 5/23/2022 = 55
- License status count = 518

### **Next Scheduled Meeting:**

The next scheduled meeting will be September 19, 2022 @ 1pm.

### **Adjournment**

With no other business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned @ 1:51p.m.

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Tahnee Causey, GC, Chair

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William L. Harp, MD, Executive Director

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Michael Sobowale, LLM, Deputy Director