

**FINAL  
SAFETY AND HEALTH CODES BOARD  
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, August 5, 2021**

This public hearing was held for the purpose of consideration of amendments to the 16VAC25-220, Final Permanent Standard: Infectious Disease Prevention: SARS-CoV2 Virus That Causes COVID-19 by the Virginia Safety and Health Codes Board pursuant to Va. Code §40.1-22(6a).

The Safety and Health Codes Board (“Board”) held a hybrid meeting that allowed participants to attend in person or electronically utilizing **WebEx**.

Notice of the public hearing was provided to the public as required by VA Code §2.2-3708.2 and Executive Order 14 (2018). The notice invited the public to attend the meeting in person at Patrick Henry Building, 1111 E. Broad Street, East Reading Room, Richmond, VA 23219 or witness the meeting remotely via WebEx. Notice of this public hearing was published in the Richmond Times Dispatch on July 29, 2021. Notice of this hearing was also published on the Virginia Regulatory Townhall’s website here:

<https://townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewMeeting.cfm?MeetingID=32816>

The Board members and Department staff listed below participated either in person (indicated by asterick) or via WebEx.

A recording of the public hearing in its entirety is available here:

<https://www.doli.virginia.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Public-Hearing-on-16VAC25-220-Proposed-Amendments-to-Permanent-Standard-20210805-1335-1.mp4>.

**BOARD MEMBERS**

**PARTIPATING:** \* in person

- \*Mr. Charles Stiff, Vice Chair
- Mr. Louis J. Cernak, Jr.
- \*Mr. John Fulton
- Ms. Julie Henderson
- Ms. Tina Hoover
- \*Ms. Anna Jolly
- Ms. Elizabeth (“Beth”) Lohman
- Mr. Michael Luce
- Mr. Courtney Malveaux
- Mr. Travis Parsons
- Mr. Kenneth Richardson, II

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

- Mr. Phil Glaize
- Ms. Milagro Rodriguez, Chair

Mr. Thomas Thurston

**STAFF PARTICIPATING:**

- \*in person
- Mr. C. Ray Davenport, Commissioner
- Mr. William P. Burge, Assistant Commissioner
- \*Ms. Princy R. Doss, Director, Policy, Planning
- Ms. Marta Fernandes, Director of VOSH Safety Compliance
- Ms. Jennifer Rose, Director of Consultation
- Ms. Christine Childress, Information Security Officer
- \*Mr. Richard White, IT Director
- \*Ms. Holly Trice, Senior Staff Attorney
- Ms. Cristin Bernhardt, Staff Attorney
- Mr. Alex West, Senior Staff Attorney

**OTHERS PARTICIPATING:**

- Mr. Joshua Laws, Assistant Attorney General
- Ms. Lisa Wright, Court Reporter

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Stiff called the Public meeting to order at 9:30 am. Vice Chair Stiff made opening remarks informing the public that this hybrid in person and virtual public hearing was being held for the purpose of consideration of amendments to 16VAC25-220, Final Permanent Standard: Infectious Disease Prevention: SARS-CoV2 Virus That Causes COVID-19 by the Virginia Safety and Health Codes Board pursuant to Va. Code §40.1-22(6a).

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE FINAL PERMANENT STANDARD.**

After Mr. Stiff made his opening remarks, the opportunity of public comment on the proposed amendments to the final permanent standard began. This public hearing only included discussion on the proposed amendments to the final public standard. No votes were taken; there were no deliberations, and no decisions were made.

Members of the public had been given the opportunity to sign up to offer their comments on the proposed amendments to the final permanent standard ahead of the public hearing.

The following members of the public made appearances virtually through Webex to present public comment on the proposed amendments to the final permanent standard:

1. Beck Stanley, Virginia Agribusiness Council
2. Hobey Bauhan, Virginia Poultry Federation
3. Manuel Gago, Legal Aid Justice Center

4. P. Dale Bennett, Virginia Trucking Association
5. M.K. Fletcher, AFL-CIO
6. Robert Melvin, Virginia Restaurant, Lodging, and Travel Association
7. Brett Vassey, Virginia Manufacturers Association

The following members of the public made appearances in person to present public comment on the proposed amendments to the final permanent standard:

1. Nicole Riley, National Federation of Independent Business
2. Jeffrey McClurken, University of Mary Washington

## **ADJOURNMENT**

During the first 7 minutes, 28 seconds of the webex, there was a sound malfunction, making it difficult to hear. Therefore, before adjournment, Vice Chair Stiff reread his opening remarks to include the announcement that the public will get another opportunity to discuss the proposed amendments when the Board meets again to consider whether to adopt the proposed amendments to the final permanent standard as final. This next Board meeting has not been scheduled yet, but Mr. Stiff communicated that the meeting date and time will be posted through the appropriate processes when it has been scheduled.

Mr. Stiff thanked the Board members, all participants and the Agency. Mr. Stiff adjourned the hearing at 10:17 am.