

Minutes of the December 22, 2022, Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialists

1. ROLL CALL

Kathy King, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Board of Registered Environmental health Specialists to order at 1:06 p.m. on Thursday, December 22, 2022, in Conference Room 5G at the Nebraska State Office Building located at 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were e-mailed to the Board members and other interested parties, posted on the DHHS website at <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx>, and posted in the Licensure Unit on December 7, 2022.

King announced that this is an open meeting and the Open Meetings Act is posted.

Members Present: The following members answered roll call:

Kathy King, Chairperson
Sara Pistillo, Vice-Chairperson
Nathan Hartman, Secretary
Jeremy Collinson, Member
Michael Wentink, Member
Larry Hardesty, Member

Staff Present:

Joanna Uden, DHHS Legal Counsel
Claire Covert-ByBee, Program Manager
Amy Blinston, Health Licensing Coordinator

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Hartman moved, seconded by Collinson to adopt the agenda. Voting aye: King, Collinson, Pistillo, Wentink, Hartman, and Hardesty. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

3. INVESTIGATIONAL & CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS – CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Wentink moved, seconded by Hartman, to move into closed session at 1:11 p.m. to hear discussions regarding confidential information and to protect the reputation of individuals named or referenced in such discussions. Voting aye: King, Collinson, Pistillo, Wentink, Hartman, and Hardesty. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS ON APPLICATIONS

MOTION: Hartman moved, seconded by King, to recommend that DHHS issue a license to Mahlory Alden to practice as a Registered Environmental Health Specialist. Voting aye: King, Collinson, Pistillo, Wentink, Hartman, and Hardesty. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan Hartman, Secretary