

Environmental Health Specialist/Sanitarian Registration Advisory Council Meeting Minutes June 13, 2025

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Christian Kraemer
LOCATION: Teams Video Conference

Council Members Present

- Lynn Moore, R.S., City of Bloomington, City Member – Chair
- Duane Hudson, R.S., Hennepin County, County Member – Vice Chair
- Peggy Spadafore, R.S., MDH, State Member
- Nikki Coler, Public Member
- Raymond Starin, R.S., MDA, State Member
- Neile Reider, Industry
- Habeke Bekele, Public Member

MDH Staff Members Present

- Christian Kraemer, R.S., MDH, Registered Sanitarian Program and Enforcement Coordinator
- Valerie Bialon, MDH, Business and Finance Operations Unit
- Linda Prail, MDH, Food, Pools and Lodging Services Section Rules Coordinator

MDH Updates

- Linda gave a legislative update on the Health and Human Services bill.

Call to Order

Duane Hudson

- Duane called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Agenda

Duane Hudson

- A motion was made to approve the day's agenda.

Motion: Peggy Spadafore

Seconded: Neile Reider

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Approval of Minutes of March 13, 2025 & April 15, 2025

Duane Hudson

- A motion was made to approve the minutes of March 13, 2025 and April 15, 2025.

Motion: Neile Reider

Seconded: Peggy Spadafore

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Review of Candidate(s) Information

Trenton Novalany

Trenton Novalany has a Bachelor of Science degree from Metropolitan State University and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Trenton is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Raymond Starin

Seconded: Neile Reider

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Eliza Perkins

Eliza Perkins has a Bachelor of Science degree from Texas A&M University and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Eliza is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Raymond Starin

Seconded: Neile Reider

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Nicholas R Streeter

Nicholas R Streeter has a Bachelor of Science from the University of South Florida and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Nicholas is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Habeke Bekele

Seconded: Peggy Spadafore

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Joseph D Steidl

Joseph D Steidl has a Bachelor of Science from the University of Phoenix and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Joseph is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Peggy Spadafore

Seconded: Neile Reider

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Molly M Young

Molly M Young has a Bachelor of Science degree from the Salem State University and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Molly is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Neile Reider

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Seconded: Habeke Bekele
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Old Business

- Rulemaking
 - Specific parts of the new rule draft were discussed:
 - Application fee potentially moving to statute.
 - Expired registrations – eliminating 2 year “grace period.” Discussed how that will work and what that will mean for RS credential holders and delegated agencies.
 - Touched on the three tracks of Initial Registration.
 - Discussed the Definition of Field of Environment Health and the list that defines it. Lynn suggested we add “Body Art” and “Nuisance Investigation and Abatement” since Bloomington has environmental health professional that do this. Peggy suggested we add “Cannabis Management” Duane suggested we add “Retail Tobacco.”
 - The council unanimously voted to add Body Art, Nuisance Investigation and Abatement, Cannabis Management and Retail Tobacco to the Definition of Field of Environment Health.
 - Discussed holding future ‘special meetings’ outside of the regularly scheduled quarterly meetings. The council agreed that this should be added to the new rule.

Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 9:30 am – 11:30 am, and will be held remotely.

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motion: Raymond Starin

Seconded: Neile Reider

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