

Environmental Health Specialist/Sanitarian Registration Advisory Council Meeting Minutes December 11, 2024

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Jennifer Rief
LOCATION: Teams videoconference

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

Council Member Absent

- Habeke Bekele, Public Member

MDH Staff Members Present

- Christian Kraemer, R.S., MDH, Registered Sanitarian Program and Enforcement Coordinator
- Jennifer Rief, MDH, Business and Finance Operations Unit

Guest

- Linda Prail, MDH, Food, Pools and Lodging Services Section Rules Coordinator
- Matt Finkenbiner, R.S., MDH, Business and Finance Operations Supervisor
- Valerie Bialon, MDH, Business and Finance Operations Unit

Call to Order

Lynn Moore

- Lynn called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Agenda

Lynn Moore

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

Motion: Peggy Spadafore

Seconded: Neile Reider

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Approval of Minutes of September 11, 2024

Lynn Moore

- A motion was made to approve the minutes of September 11, 2024.

Motion: Nikki Coler

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Seconded: Peggy Spadafore
MSC

MDH Updates

- As of this meeting there were 93 either initial or renewal applications via the E-Licensing system. There has been no further feedback. MDH feels we have the instructions dialed in. The biggest concern is that their number has changed with this new streamlined process.

Review of Candidate(s) Information

McKenna R. Haas

McKenna R Haas has a Master of Public Health in Public Health degree from University of Minnesota and meets the one-year of supervised employment. McKenna is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Peggy Spadafore
Seconded: Duane Hudson
MSC

Scott W. Jensen

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

Motion: Nikki Coler
Seconded: Neile Reider
MSC

Bree M. Landherr

Bree M Landherr has a Master of Biological Science from the University of Minnesota and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Bree is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Raymond Starin
Seconded: Peggy Spadafore
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Blia Lor

Blia Lor has a Master of Science degree from Georgia College and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Blia is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Duane Hudson

Seconded: Nikki Coler

Abstained: Peggy Spadafore

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David S. Russell

David S Russell has a Bachelor of Science degree from Western Michigan University and meets the one-year of supervised employment. David is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Nikki Coler

Seconded: Peggy Spadafore

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Ashley M. Sibik

Ashley M Sibik has a Bachelor of Arts with a Sociology & Human Services focus from Fort Lewis College and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Ashley is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Duane Hudson

Seconded: Nikki Coler

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Andrew V. Spaulding

Andrew Spaulding has a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences from Cleveland State University and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Andrew is approved to take the examination. Upon successful completion of the examination, the candidate may be approved for registration.

Motion: Duane Hudson

Seconded: Raymond Starin

Abstained: Peggy Spadafore

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Ka Zoua Xiong

Ka Zoua Xiong has a Master of Public Health from the University of Minnesota and meets the one-year of supervised employment. Ka Zoua 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

Abstained: Raymond Starin

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Candidates Applying for Reciprocity

Thomas W Moran

Thomas W Moran has a Bachelor of Applied Science – Interpersonal Environmental Health Leadership degree from Metropolitan State University and meets the of the one-year supervised employment. The candidate is approved for registration.

Motion: Neile Reider

Seconded: Nikki Coler

Abstain: Duane Hudson

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Cynthia M. Stewart

Cynthia M Stewart has a Bachelor of Arts with a Biology Major from the College of St. Benedict and meets the of the one-year supervised employment. The candidate is approved for registration.

Motion: Duane Hudson

Seconded: Neile Reider

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Mai Pa Kou Yang

Mai Pa Kou Yang has a Bachelor of Arts with an Environmental Health major from the College of St. Benedict and meets the of the one-year supervised employment. The candidate is approved for registration.

Motion: Raymond Starin

Seconded: Peggy Spadafore

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Old Business

- Rulemaking
 - A request for comments regarding the rule revisions from the council.

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Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 9:30 am – 11:30 am, and will be held remotely.

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motion: Neile Reider

Seconded: Nikki Coler

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