

**GOVERNOR'S LEAD POISONING PREVENTION COMMISSION**  
**Maryland Department of the Environment**  
**Approved Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 3, 2020**

**Documents Distributed:**

- Appointment List - Detailed Membership Lead Commission.pdf
- Approved Calendar 2020.pdf
- Draft Minutes 200806.pdf
- Final Agenda 200903.pdf
- GAP Strategic Planning Analysis LC Actions.pdf

**Opening Welcome and Introductions:**

Paula Montgomery called the meeting to order at 9:34AM with welcome and introductions.

**Members Present:**

Benita Cooper  
Anna Davis  
Mary Beth Haller  
Cliff Mitchell

Paula Montgomery  
Barbara Moore  
Leonida Newton  
Manjula Paul

Christina Peusch  
Adam Skolnik

**Members Absent:**

Senator Jill Carter

Susan Kleinhammer

**Guests Present:**

Mark Borgoyne-MDE  
Camille Burke-BCHD  
Allison Cantos-GHHI  
Chris Corzine-OAG  
Jack Daniels-DHCD  
Nicole Davis-Public

Eamon Flynn-MDH  
Ludeen Green-GHHI  
Lisa Horne-MDH  
Dawn Joy-AMA  
Kaley Laleker-MDE  
Jamal Lewis-GHHI

Ruth Ann Norton-GHHI  
Teresa Pfaff-BCHD  
Wendy Phillips-MDE  
Tim Rule-MDE  
Georgella Samu-MDE  
Patrick Wallis-HUD

**Approval of Minutes:**

The August 6, 2020 minutes were approved as distributed.

**Old Business:**

- Lead Commission Survey Results: The Commission members were previously sent a survey asking for recommendations. The results were as follows:
  - Meeting Frequency: Paula Montgomery made a motion to conduct monthly meetings starting in 2021 from September through May only (no meetings held June, July, and August). Adam Skolnik seconded the motion. All present Commissioners were in favor; the new monthly meeting schedule was approved. The Commission can establish Subcommittees in order to meet during the summer to address any important issues that may arise during the summer months off.
  - Vacancy Position Recommendations: All suggestions and recommendations that were made in the survey will be provided to the MDE Secretary for consideration and recommendation to the Governor's Office.
  - Inclement Weather Virtual Meetings: Until further notice, Commission meetings will be held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Once in-person Commission meetings resume, however, the Commission members voted to hold meetings virtually in the event of inclement weather rather than cancel the meeting, as had been the practice in the past.
- Gap Analysis Subcommittee Recommendations: Subcommittees were formed and reviewed the Gap Analysis recommendations. Each Subcommittee was asked to provide updates, amendments, or recommendations that should be considered. The individual Subcommittee items were compiled into the distributed document titled "GAP Strategic Planning Analysis LC Actions" which identified if any legislative action was needed and also incorporated the items into the short-, mid-, and long-term goals in conjunction with the Strategic Plan. The document was reviewed at the meeting and the document with updated comments will be redistributed to the Commission.
- Agency Annual Reporting: Paula Montgomery and Anna Davis recommended that the MDE Lead Commission Calendar be revised such that agencies would report to the Commission annually for the remainder of 2020 and onward. Agencies were asked what type of reporting they wanted to provide and in which month they wanted to present. The document titled MDE Lead Commission Calendar was revised and will be redistributed to the Commission.
- Monthly Agency Updates listed on previous agendas will now be called Agency Hot Topics/Current Events. As a reminder, monthly reporting of these hot topics/current events from the agencies should include challenges the agency faces, any new initiatives, and how the Commission can support the agency. Every agency is encouraged to report on at least one item.

**New Business:**

- Discussion of 2021 Projected Lead Legislation: A Legislative Subcommittee was formed by Anna Davis which will be responsible for reporting on bills and monitoring the legislative session. Subcommittee members are Anna Davis, Adam Skolnik, and Susan DiGaetano-Kleinhammer. Any additional Commissioners interested to be on the Subcommittee should contact Anna Davis.
- Grant Opportunities Available to Child Care Centers (Tim Rule): The MDE Water Supply Program (WSP) received a grant from EPA under the Water Infrastructure Improvement for the Nation Program to be used for the testing of lead in drinking water either in schools or in child care centers. WSP wants to use this for child care centers, however there is a concern that the funding is only to be used for testing and not used for remediation. Tim Rule asked if anyone knew of any funding sources, grants, etc. that WSP could share with the child care centers as a possible source of assistance for the remediation. Tim Rule will present more in this topic at the October meeting.

**Agency Hot Topics/Current Events:** There were no hot topics and current events that were reported.

**Commissioner Comments and Updates:** There were no comments or updates provided.

**Public Comments and Updates:** Ludeen Green from GHHI provided a link for registration to the Executive Leadership Institute. The Keynote speaker will be Mona Hanna-Attisha who will present on September 14, 2020.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Paula Montgomery, seconded by Christina Peusch to adjourn the meeting. All present Commissioners were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 11:43am.

**Future Meeting Date:**

The next Lead Commission Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 1, 2020 via Google Hangouts, from 9:30 – 11:30 AM.

**Draft Minutes submitted by:** Wendy Phillips

**Draft Minutes approved by:** Paula Montgomery and Anna Davis