

# Meeting minutes: NHWSB Certification/Training Workgroup

Date: Feb. 29, 2024

Minutes prepared by: Linnea Becerra

Location: Hybrid – Washington Room (Department of Labor and Industry) and Webex

## Attendees

### Members present

Commissioner Nicole Blissenbach (remotely)

Jamie Gulley

Katie Lundmark (remotely)

### Visitors present

Todd Bergstrom

Jeff Bostic

Rick Varco

### DLI staff members present

Ali Afsharjavan (remotely)

Linnea Becerra

Paul Enger (remotely)

Leah Solo

## Agenda items

- 1. Call to order** – the meeting was called to order by Leah Solo at 11:05 a.m. A roll call was taken. *A quorum was declared.*
- 2. Approval of agenda and previous meeting's minutes** – *a motion to approve the agenda and the drafted meeting minutes as presented was made by Jamie Gulley and seconded by Commissioner Nicole Blissenbach. Roll call was taken, the motion passed unanimously.*
- 3. Board updates and new business** —
  - Executive Director Solo discussed the guiding memo around waivers and variances. Commissioner Blissenbach suggested looking into building codes and those waivers and variances that are currently in existence. Gulley asked what information the nursing homes will need to provide to prove they are not able to meet the standards. There was discussion around reasons why nursing homes close and receivership. There was discussion around an appeal process for denial of waivers. The seriousness of this process was established.
  - Posting rules update – do not have a draft yet, but it is on the radar that it needs to happen.
- 4. Next meeting** – the next meeting is March 21, 2024, 8 a.m.

## Adjournment

*A motion was made by Commissioner Blissenbach to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 a.m. and was seconded by Gulley. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.*