

## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER

# Opioid Fatality Review Board **April 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

#### There were (17) attendees:

## **Opioid Fatality Review Board (OFRB) Members:**

Dr. Luke Short (Chair)	Dr. Jewell Reddick (Vice-Chair)
Ciena Bayard (OCME)	Rhonda Johnson (District Resident Member)
Reginald Whren (PIDARC)	Chaka Curtis (DBH)
Elliot Tommingo (MOVA)	Tyrone Guyse( DEA)
Kenan Zamore (DC Health)	

## **Participants**

Dr. Sharon Hunt (DBH)	Dr. Richard Bebout (DBH)
Alexandra Evans (DFS)	Steven Walker (MOTA)
Adanna Mbungo (MOTA)	

## **Fatality Review Staff:**

Tadessa Harper-Nichols (OCME)	Jenna Beebe-Aryee(OCME)
Ebele Brown (OCME)	

## **Open Meeting**

## I. Greetings:

- The Opioid Fatality Review Board meeting began at 3:05pm and opened with Dr. Jewell Reddick (Vice- Chair) greeting board members and invited guests.
- Dr. Luke Short (Chair) announced that he would be leaving his position at DC Government and would no longer serve as OFRB Chair.
- Initial introductions and roll-call of Board members, invited guests and staff.
- II. There was a majority vote to approve the agenda.

- III. New Board members, Tyrone Guyse (DEA) and Reginald Wren (PIDARC) were swornin by representatives from the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) and introduced to the Board.
- IV. The open portion of the March 8, 2022 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved with no amendments.
- V. There were no members of the public present to address the Board. A Board member asked why did OFRB meeting rarely have members of the public addressing the Board. The OCME Program Manager responded that all meetings are noticed to the DC Register and the Open Meetings Website/Calendar so that members of the public are aware. Other fatality review committees typically have had college students present during the open session who are conducting research for class projects.
- VI. There was a majority vote to close the open portion of the meeting and move to the closed session.