PRODUCER LICENSING (P/C & L/H) ADVISORY BOARDS

Meeting Minutes
Meeting Date: March 14, 2023

Call to order: A joint meeting of the Producer Licensing Life & Health Advisory Board and the Producer Licensing Property & Casualty Advisory Board was held virtually with the Maryland Insurance Administration on March 14, 2023. The meeting convened at 10:02 am and was called to order by Shelley Taylor-Barnes.

Attendance was taken and MIA staff members were introduced. The covered topics and summaries are listed below.

Life/Health Advisory Board			
Last Name	First Name	Present (Yes/No)	
Salamon	Stephen	Yes	
Melcher	Lynette	No	
Carter	Deedra	Yes	
Listori	Lucille	No	
Tegeler	Harvey	Yes	
Wilson	Venus	Yes	
Moreira	Roy	Yes	
Parker	Janet	Yes	
Kearney	Stephanie	No	
Cabrera	Vanessa	Yes	

Property/Casualty Advisory Board		
Last Name	First Name	Present (Yes/No)
Papa	Michael	Yes
Mattes	Peter	Yes
Micciche	John	Yes
Cropper	Reese	No
Barker	Blakeley	Yes
Klinger	Robert	No
Guttman	Benjamin	Yes
Ertel	Michael	Yes
Zatkowski	Jennifer	Yes
Conner	Sharon	No

Maryland Insurance Administration Staff Attendees:

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Mary Kwei, Associate Commissioner of Market Regulation & Professional Licensing		
Joy Hatchette, Associate Commissioner Consumer Education & Advocacy Unit		
Shelley Taylor-Barnes, Director of Producer Licensing		
Lorelei Brillante, Supervisor of Customer Service / Education Analyst		
Jeff Gross, Chief Enforcement Officer		
Arica Cole, Licensing Specialist / Producer Advisory Board Liaison		

Meeting Topics and Summaries

Opening Remarks

Shelley Taylor- Barnes, Director of Producer Licensing made a motion to approve the January 10, 2023 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and the motion passed.

Spanish Exam Translation Status – Additional Items to Translate

Taylor-Barnes provided a status of the Spanish testing and informed the Producer Advisory Board that the exam vendor, Prometric, is still working on translating testing material. Prometric informed the Administration that translations should be completed by the end of the month.

In addition to translating Spanish exam questions the Prometric is also translating the score report, exam outlines and candidate licensing bulletin information. These additional translated items are believed to assist candidates with a positive exam experience.

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Consumer Education and Advocacy Unit (CEAU) Presentation

Taylor-Barnes introduced Associate Commissioner, Joy Hatchette, of the Consumer Education and Advocacy Unit (CEAU). Associate Commissioner Hatchette introduced herself and provided a brief description of the functions of her unit. The unit is working to establish a new program that will allow insurance producers to work with the administration.

The unit is interested in producers who are willing to assist with round table discussions. These discussions are designed to give the consumers the opportunity to share various obstacles, and the producers to provide a resolution and additional information. Interested Producer Advisory Board members were advised to send Associate Commissioner Hatchette an email of interest.

Associate Commissioner Hatchette concluded her presentation and opened the floor for questions.

Producer Advisory Board Membership Term Status

Taylor-Barnes shared that there are 5 advisory board members that have expiring term dates of May 31, 2023. Expiring members will be notified via email and will have the opportunity to submit an application for reappointment.

Upcoming Producer Advisory Board Meetings

June 13, September 12, December 12, 2023

At 11:07 a.m. a motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.