

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
HIGHER EDUCATION LICENSURE COMMISSION

Public Session No. 19-09
September 12, 2019
1050 First Street, NE
1st floor – Eleanor Holmes Norton I (108)
Washington, DC 20002

9:30 am

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Mary Dilworth called the meeting to order at 9:37 am.

Commissioners Present:

Commissioner Mary Dilworth, Ed.D., Chair
Commissioner John Cross, A.B., A.M., M.S., Vice Chair
Commissioner Joanne Joyner, Ph.D., Secretary
Commissioner Estell Mathis-Lloyd, M. Ed.
Commissioner Anita B. Shelton, MSW

Staff Present:

Angela Lee, Executive Director
Jocelyn Harris, Education Compliance Specialist
Alesia Henry, Education Compliance Specialist
Dorothy Thomas, Education Compliance Specialist
Nagesh Tammara, Attorney Advisor
Maia Turner, Administrative Assistant

Guests Present:

University of Kentucky
Alison Griffith
Jennifer Flinchum

Southeast Children's Fund
Saliha Abd Al-Malik
Frances J. Rollins

Bay Atlantic University
Timur "Melek" Edib
Sinem Vatanartiran

Bennett Career Institute
Chet Bennett

Flatiron School
Alan Gallegos

Inter-American Defense College
Marina Malamud

Vets Group
Vanita Williams
Joe Wynn

University of Colorado - Boulder
Jean-Marie Leonard

Penn in Washington
Deirdre Martinez

Prestige Healthcare Resources
Lewis L. Lovett

Aveda Arts & Science Institute
Melissa Martin
Kristina Gill (Attorney, Duane Morris)

Career Technical Institute
Dr. Sharon Conn

Motir Services
Michael Brown
Tis Fordation

Bard High School Early College
Dre Szegedy-Maszak

Paralegal Institute of Washington D.C.
Nicole Vinson
Avon Alexander

TEACH-NOW Graduate School of Education
Emily Feistritz

Westlink Career Institute
Dasia Merriweather

Bethel Training Institute
Donna Allen Williamson

Brigham Young University
Scott Dunaway

PECB University
Fitim “Tim” Rama

Excel Automotive Institute
Anthony Hales, Jr.

University of Potomac
Andrea Ford
Mitch Murphy

The Chicago School of Professional Psychology
Kathie Henn
Heather Sheets
Ryan Tobiasz

Complainants

Rushabh Vedia (The University of the Potomac)
Bradley Ffrench (Howard University)
Charles “Mark” Hannan (The George Washington University)
Diana Hannan
Candice Scruggs (The Chicago School of Professional Psychology)

II. Ascertainment of Quorum

Five (5) Commission members were present constituting a quorum.

III. Approval of the Agenda

The Commission voted to approve the September 12, 2019 agenda.

IV. Executive Session

The executive session began at 9:39 am and concluded at 10:55 am.

V. Report of the Executive Director

The following are updates to conditions of license approval and other requests made by the Commission:

- A. The **University of Potomac** still has not provided the Commission with its program. They still have not had the site visit, nor have the institution provided the program related to that.
- B. **University of the People** has not yet submitted its strategic plan regarding accreditation findings.
- C. **Innovative Institute** has complied and supplied the Commission with their financial stability, as well as their outline of their return to CASAS.
- D. **Thinkful, Inc.** has yet to provide the independent audited financial statement. It was requested to be submitted on July 31, 2019.
- E. The **Excel Automotive Institute** (see Unfinished Business)
- F. The **Certification School Worldwide** was to supply the Commission with an audit by the due date of April 30, 2019. They were also supposed to begin submitting quarterly financial documents to the Commission, and as of today, that has not happened. They did provide the Commission with proof of some of their estimated grants to fund the school's operations through the end of this month, September 30, 2019.
- G. The **Four Walls Career & Technical Education Center** has yet to submit their national retail certification program for approval. They did indicate in July that they would be submitting it, but we've not received it yet.
- H. **Bard College** had their follow-up site visit on August 21, 2019. There were a number of issues regarding fire safety, elevator, extinguishers, and the posting of their EEO and ADA posters. As of this morning, we received confirmation that the institution has supplied those things in compliance with the Commissioner's request.
- I. **ITEACH** still has not submitted their staffing pattern and recruitment plan, requested at the July 12, 2019 public meeting.
- J. **North Central University** has complied with the Commission's request for information pertaining to their transfer credits.
- K. **Smartly** has submitted, at the request of the Commission its recruitment efforts in Washington, D.C., as well as their audit and financial statement.
- L. **Temple University** (see Unfinished Business)

- M. **Urban Ed** submitted the audited financial statement, as requested.
- N. **Prospect College** has submitted their documentation for proof that they're fire extinguisher and alarms have been inspected, as well as the listing of their governing board revised organizational chart. They have not yet submitted the advertisement showing the disclosure around the fact that the programs are non-degree.
- O. **Westlink Career Institute** also on today's agenda (see Renewals/Amendment Applications), supplied their fees for renewal, as well as the copy of their MOU with Asbury, and their student record plan.
- P. **Ohio State University** submitted the fine and they also supplied the Commission with the stats around the number of District residents in their program.
- Q. **Dudley Beauty College** provided evidence that they had properly installed the light bulbs in their emergency exit signs.

The Commission voted to issue fines in the amount of \$100 to institutions that fail to comply with request for supplemental information.

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code 38-1306, the Commission can set periodic review of educational institutions and facilities through independent evaluations. This fiscal year, six institutions were visited: Allied Health and Technology Institute, Dudley Beauty College, TEACH NOW Graduate School of Education, Amala Lives Institute, Nursing Assistant Academy & Aveda Arts & Sciences Institute.

The following summarizes the site evaluator's findings:

- Allied Health and Technology Institute- areas of non-compliance: no prior learning credit policy, fire safety lights, outdated equipment, disorganized student records, clarification about the credential being awarded by the institution
- TEACH NOW- failure to provide a Clean Hands certificate, failure to employ a professional librarian as required for degree granting institutions
- Dudley- no findings

The reports for Amala Lives, Nursing Assistant Academy and Aveda Arts & Sciences will be presented at the November 2019 public meeting.

VI. Public Comment (reserved for agenda items only)

There were no comments from the public.

VII. Consent Agenda

HELC Minutes
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A. Approval of the May 2, 2019 meeting minutes

The Commission voted to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2019 meeting.

B. One-year approval list

The Commission voted to approve the following applications for one (1) year from the date of expiration.

RENEWALS & AMENDMENTS *submitted at time of renewal*

Institutions	Approval Type	Expiration Date if Approved
Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin	Renewal	8/31/2020
Arizona State University	Renewal	5/31/2020

AMENDMENTS ONLY

* The licensure period for institutions seeking approval to amend by adding new programs, new location or name change will synchronize with the institutions current license.

Institutions	Approval Type	Current Expiration
University of Maryland University College	Name Change	Permanent

CONDITIONAL EXEMPTIONS

Institutions	Approval Type	Expiration Date if Approved
University of Pennsylvania	Renewal	9/30/2020
Ohio University	Renewal	9/30/2020
Brigham Young University	Renewal	9/30/2020
University of Colorado Boulder	Renewal (with physical presence)	7/31/2020
Boston University	Renewal	7/31/2020
Eastern Mennonite University	Renewal	9/30/2020

STATE AUTHORIZATION RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT (SARA)

Institutions	Approval Type	Expiration Date if Approved
Career Technical Institute	SARA Renewal	September 30, 2020
George Washington University	SARA Renewal	September 30, 2020

Georgetown University	SARA Renewal	September 30, 2020
Wesley Theological Seminary	SARA Renewal	September 30, 2020

STATE APPROVING AGENCY APPROVALS

July 1 - August 31, 2019

The HELC, acting as the District of Columbia State Approving Agency for Veterans Education benefits, approved the following applications:

INSTITUTE OF HIGHER LEARNING (IHL)

New Programs

Institution Name	Program Name
University of the District of Columbia	1. WEAMS Review (60 new, 6 revisions, 24 withdrawals, 49 re-approvals)
Georgetown University	2. Master of Arts in Engaged and Public Humanities
University of the Potomac	1. Updated Catalog Approved. 5 new programs.
George Washington University	1. 85 new programs approved.
Catholic University	1. Grad Cert in Data Analytics 2. Grad Cert in Cybersecurity

The Commission removed from the consent agenda the Dudley Beauty College, Flatiron School, LLC, Washington Baltimore Center for Psychoanalysis, PECB University and the University of the People. With the stated changes, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.

VIII. Non-Consent Agenda (items removed from consent agenda)

A. Dudley Beauty College

Dudley Beauty College submitted an application for license renewal to continue offering non-degree certificate programs in: Cosmetology, Nail Technology and Cosmetology Instructor.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application for renewal submitted by the Dudley Beauty College, for a period of one (1) year not to exceed September 30, 2020 with the condition to submit an edited catalog to correct typographical errors and to clarify to the emergency holiday listed in the catalog, due no later than October 12, 2019.

B. Flatiron School, LLC

The Flatiron School, LLC submitted an application for program amendment to add the Cyber Security Analytics non-degree certificate program.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application for program amendment submitted by Flatiron School, LLC, synchronous with the current licensure approval.

C. Washington Baltimore Center for Psychoanalysis

Washington Baltimore Center for Psychoanalysis submitted an application for license renewal to continue offering non-degree certificate programs in Modern Perspectives on Psychotherapy, Theory & Practice of Psychoanalysis and Psychoanalytic Studies Program.

The Commission voted all in favor to defer action on the application for licensure renewal submitted by Washington Baltimore Center for Psychoanalysis.

D. PECB University

The PECB University submitted an application for program amendment to add the Graduate Diploma in Information Security Management.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application for program amendment submitted by PECB University synchronous with the current licensure approval and with the condition that they supply information about the PH.D in Entrepreneurship held by faculty member Shpresim Vranopci.

E. University of the People

The University of the People submitted to the Higher Education Licensure Commission an application for program amendment to add a degree program in Masters of Education in Advanced Teaching (M.ED.).

The Commission voted unanimously to defer action on the application for program amendment submitted by the University of the People until the November 7, 2019 public meeting with condition to receiving information regarding the strategic plan for accreditation and information on the new proposed program; specifically, (1) clarification about what “Advanced Teaching” means and how the proposed program is related to the International Baccalaureate (a high school program).

IX. Unfinished Business

A. Bethel Training Institute

Bethel Training Institute submitted an application requesting license renewal to continue offering non-degree certificate program in: Home Health Aide.

RECAP from 07/15/2019 meeting:

At the July 15, 2019 meeting, the Commission voted to unanimously to defer decision on the application for license renewal submitted by Bethel Training Institute until the September 12,

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2019 meeting, to enable a member of the institution's staff to appear before the Commission to discuss the matters of the application.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the request for renewal submitted by Bethel Training Institute for one (1) year, not to exceed May 31, 2020 with the condition of providing proof of a new banner advertising only HELC approved programs no later than October 12, 2019.

B. Southeast Children's Fund

The Southeast Children's Fund submitted an application requesting licensure renewal to continue offering non-degree programs in: Child Development Associate Direct Assessment and the Child Development Associate Professional Preparation.

RECAP from 07/15/2019 meeting:

At the July 15, 2019 public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously to defer decision on the application for licensure renewal submitted by the Southeast Children's Fund until the September 12, 2019 public meeting.

The Commission voted unanimously to defer action on the application submitted by the Southeast Children's Fund until the November 7, 2019 public meeting to allow the institution to provide clarification about its governance structure and the overall operation of the institution.

C. Temple University

Temple University has submitted a agent application for the renewal of representative Elizabeth Jung's license to recruit prospective students in the District.

RECAP from 07/15/2019 meeting:

At the July 15, 2019 public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously to defer decision the application submitted by Temple University until the September 12, 2019 public meeting to secure the agent's background check.

In a letter dated 9/6/2019 the institution sent a request to withdraw the request for agent license approval citing that the recruitment activities performed in the District fall within the scope of the institution's participation in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.

The Commission voted (4 affirmative, 1 abstention) to dismiss the application for provisional agent licensure renewal submitted by Temple University.

D. Excel Automotive Institute

Excel Automotive Institute submitted an application requesting license renewal to continue offering certificate programs in: Auto Tech Specialist I, Auto Tech Specialist II, Auto Specialist III and Maintenance and Light Repair.

RECAPs from previous meetings:

At the May 2, 2019 meeting, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the application requesting renewal submitted by the Excel Automotive Institute for one (1) year, not to exceed July 31, 2019, with the condition to submit updated by laws no later than October 31, 2019 and a financial audit and documentation about the person(s) responsible for the institution's finances.

In a letter dated Aug 31, 2019 from CEO, Mr. Anthony Hales, the institution requested an additional extension on the submission of the renewal application until Oct 31, 2019. The letter indicates that the institution needs the additional time to complete their taxes and reconcile their finances and organizational reconstruction.

The Commission voted (4 affirmative, 0 negative, 0 abstentions) to approve the extension request for submission of a licensure renewal application until October 20, 2019.

XI. Applications for Licensure/Exemption/Amendment

A. Provisional

i. University of Kentucky

The University of Kentucky submitted an application for Provisional Conditional Exemption or Exclusion under the provisions of DC Official Code §38-1310 (f) to offer degree programs in: Internship in Government and Special Topics in Political Science.

The Commission voted (4 affirmative, 1 negative) to approve the application for provisional conditional exemption submitted by the University of Kentucky for a period of one (1) year, not to exceed September 30, 2020 with a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for unlicensed activity.

ii. Windsor University

Windsor University submitted to the Higher Education Licensure Commission an application for provisional licensure to offer degree programs in: Master of Business Administration.

The Commission voted unanimously to defer action on the application submitted by Windsor University.

B. Renewals/Amendment Applications

i. Bay Atlantic University

Bay Atlantic University (BAU) submitted an application requesting license renewal to continue offering degree programs in: Political Science and International Relations; Economics and Finance, Global Affairs, Executive Master Business Administration and Management; Bachelor of Arts in Accounting; Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration & Management, Bachelor of

Arts in Data Science; Bachelor of Arts in Information Technology, Master of Science in Big Data Analytics, Master of Science in Cyber Security and MBA in Law and Economics.

The institution also submitted an application for program amendment to add finance to the MBA and change the name of the program to Economics and Finance and to modify the names of four of their programs to the Associate of Science in Data Science, Associate of Science in Information Technology, Bachelor of Science in Data Science and Bachelor of Arts in Information Technology.

The institution also submitted a request for permanent licensure.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application for license renewal submitted by Bay Atlantic University for a period of one (1) year, not to exceed September 30, 2020, including granting the extension for programs previously approved but not started.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application for program amendment to add Finance to the MBA and to modify the names of their four programs synchronous with their current approval.

The Commission voted (3 affirmative, 2 negatives) to deny the request for permanent licensure submitted by the Bay Atlantic University.

ii. BUEI d/b/a Mentora College

The BUEI d/b/a Mentora College submitted an application requesting license renewal to continue offering non-degree certificate programs in: English as a Second Language Intensive ESL; TEFL Certificate; The American Experience; Test Preparation Courses (TOEFL, IELTS, GMAT, GRE, SAT) and ESL Deaf & Hard of Hearing.

BUEI d/b/a Mentora College also submitted an application requesting program amendment to modify its current program in Intensive English.

The institution wishes to delete the following program: American Experience.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application for license renewal, program amendment and program deletion submitted by the BUEI d/b/a Mentora College for one (1) year, not to exceed September 30, 2020.

iii. Bennett Career Institute

Bennett Career Institute submitted an application requesting licensure renewal to continue offering non-degree certificate programs in: Cosmetology; Barbering; Manager; Instructor; Manicure I; Make-Up Artistry; Esthetics and Braiding.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application for licensure renewal submitted by the Bennett Career Institute for a period of one (1) year, not to exceed August 31, 2020.

iv. Westlink Career Institute

Westlink Career Institute has submitted an application requesting licensure renewal to continue offering non-degree certificate programs in: Basic Emergency Medical Technician; Advanced Emergency Medical Technician; Phlebotomy; Medical Assistant and EKG Program.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application submitted by Westlink Career Institute for one (1) year, not to exceed July 20, 2020 with the conditions to submit an audit, a catastrophic events policy and pictures of employment related posters displayed within thirty (30) days.

v. Inter-American Defense College

Inter-American Defense College submitted an application requesting license renewal to continue offering the degree program in: Master of Science Degree; Inter-American Defense Security and diploma certificate in: Inter-American Defense Security.

The institution also submitted a request for permanent licensure.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application for permanent licensure submitted by Inter-American Defense College.

vi. Paralegal Institute of Washington, D.C.

The Paralegal Institute of Washington, D.C. submitted an application requesting license renewal to continue offering non-degree programs in: Paralegal Certification Course and Cite Checking Workshop.

The Commission deferred action on the application for licensure renewal submitted by the Paralegal Institute of Washington, D.C. until the November 7, 2019 public meeting with the conditions for the institution to submit a completed application to include financial statements, certificate of clean hands and good standing and documentation necessary to demonstrate compliance with the HELC licensure standards (curriculum, governance, faculty), no later than October 7, 2019.

vii. TEACH-NOW Graduate School of Education

TEACH-NOW Graduate School of Education submitted an application requesting license renewal to continue offering degree programs in: Master in Education; Master in Educational Leadership; Master's in Education with Teaching Multilingual Learners Focus; Master's in Education with Early Childhood Education Focus; Master's in Education with Educational Technology Focus; Master's in Education with Special Education Focus and Certificate programs in teacher preparation and professional development.

The Commission voted unanimously to defer action on the application for licensure renewal submitted by TEACH-NOW Graduate School until the November 7, 2019 public meeting.

viii. VETS Group Training Academy

VETS Group Training Academy submitted an application requesting license renewal to continue offering non-degree certificate programs in: PC Specialist Program (PCSP); Network Specialist Program (NSP); Security Specialist Program (SSP); Network Administrator Program (NAP); Security Administrator Program (SAP); Cyber Security Professional Program; Microsoft Office Specialist Program (MSOSP); Web Development Certificate Program (WDCP); Cable Installation Program (CIP); Project Management Professional (PMPP); Certified Wireless Tower Climber Program (CWTCP); PC Essentials (COMPTIA A+); Networking Fundamentals (COMPTIA NET+); Security Fundamentals (COMPTIA SEC+); Introduction to Cyber Security; Introduction to Networks (CCNA-1); Routing & Switching Essentials (CCNA-2); Scaling Networks (CCNA-3); Connecting Networks (CCNA-4); CCNA Security; Certified Ethical Hacker; Certified Information System Security Professional; Systems Security Certified Practitioner (SSCP); Microsoft Office Specialist; Introduction to Project Management (PMPP 301); Advanced Project Management (PMPP 302); Introduction to Web Development (WDCP 701); Fundamentals of Website Development (WDCP 702); Tower Climber Safety and Rescue (WTCP 601); Wireless Construction Standard (WTCP 602) and Cable Installer (BICSI 401).

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the application for licensure renewal submitted by VETS Group Training Academy for one (1) year, not to exceed July 31, 2020 with the conditions to submit the Clean Hands certificate no later than October 31, 2019. The Commission also requested an accurate listing of approved programs, courses in those programs, the number of hours for each program and student enrollment in each program.

The Commission voted (4 affirmative, 1 negative) to deny the request for the annual data survey late submission fee to be waived.

The Commission took no action on the application for program amendment submitted by the VETS Group Training Academy to add Broadband Wireless Telecommunications Technician and Amazon Web Service.

C. Closure

i. EF International Language Washington, D.C.

EF International Language Washington D.C. campus submitted the school closure form, with a proposed date of October 6, 2019 and a final date of instruction of September 13, 2019 citing that the market for international students learning English in the USA is currently in decline due to various issues including the strength of the dollar currency compared to currencies in other English-speaking countries. Therefore, having too much capacity on the East Coast with large campuses in Boston, New York and Miami, it was decided to close the DC location, as the reason for the closure. The institution's custodian of records contact information:

Shamil Mohammed shamil.mohammed@ef.com
One Education Street
Cambridge, MA 02142

(617) 619-1151

All EF student records are electronic and a copy of the records will be provided to the HELC once instruction has been completed.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the closure plan submitted by EF International Language Washington, D.C. campus.

XI. Pending Cases

A. Continued

i. Case #C2019-011 Brittany Fraley v. Bennett Career Institute

On June 17, 2019, the Commission received a complaint from Ms. Brittany Fraley against Bennett Career Institute. The institution and the student were able to reach an agreement prior to the complaint being submitted to the Commission.

The Commission voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint C2019-011 as resolved.

ii. Case #C2018-017 Nicole Morant v. Aveda Arts and Science Institute

After entering into an agreement with the institution, Ms. Morant filed a dismissal with the Commission; thereby withdrawing her complaint.

iii. Case #C2018-018 Stephanie Walker v. Aveda Arts and Science Institute

After entering into an agreement with the institution, Ms. Walker filed a dismissal with the Commission; thereby withdrawing her complaint.

iv. Case #C2019-002 Candice Scruggs v. The Chicago School of Professional Psychology

On February 14, 2019, the Commission received a complaint from Ms. Candice Scruggs against The Chicago School of Professional Psychology regarding concerns about misleading literature, advertising, solicitation and misrepresentation.

RECAP of 07/15/2019 meeting:

Ms. Scruggs presented to the Commission at its July 15th meeting, no one from the institution was present. The Commission deferred action until the September 12th meeting to allow an opportunity for the institution to present their version of the matter.

The Commission voted unanimously to refer the complaint C2019-002 to a full hearing.

v. Case #C2019-005 Rushabh Vedia v. University of the Potomac (UOTP)

On April 26, 2019, the Commission received a complaint from Mr. Rushabh Vedia against the

University of the Potomac (UOTP), regarding concerns about the denial of Leave of Absence and unethical collections practice, and violation of privacy.

The Commission requested that the complainant and institution meet to discuss the matter further for possible resolution keeping HELC informed about the outcome. If not able to resolve, both parties were asked to return to the next public meeting scheduled for November 7, 2019.

vi. Case #C2019-008 Charles “Mark” Hannan v. George Washington University (The)

On May 29, 2019, the Commission received a complaint from Mr. Charles “Mark” Hannan against George Washington University (The), regarding concerns about improper instruction as advertised in the materials, poor academic advising, destroying reputation and the inability to complete a degree.

The Commission referred the complainant to seek legal counsel.

B. New

i. Case #C2019-012 Aveda Arts & Science Institute v. Ms. Michelle Wise

On June 17, 2019, the Commission received an informal complaint from Ms. Michelle Wise against Aveda Arts & Science Institute and on June 18, 2019 the Commission received a formal complaint regarding concerns about unknown or unexplained termination, inability to take the instructor license exam, sanitation issues, inadequate materials, non-adherence to policy guidelines and dress code, failure to provide classroom coverage, favoritism and unfair leadership and treatment.

The Commission voted unanimously to hold the matters related to case C2019-012 in abeyance until the hearing is scheduled on the notice of intent to deny and report has been received by the Commission.

ii. Cases #C2019-016 & #C2019-018 Mr. Bradley Ffrench v. Howard University

On July 26, 2019 and August 29, 2019, the Commission received a complaint from Mr. Bradley Ffrench against Howard University regarding concerns about 5 DCMR A §8004.13(a) Services and Resources. "a postsecondary degree granting educational institution shall offer adequate, sufficient services for students... including at a minimum: (a) financial assistance.

The Commission voted unanimously to dismiss cases C2019-016 & C2019-018.

XII. Extended Public Comments (limited to 2 minutes per person on any item/matter not listed on the agenda)

XIII. Correspondence and Communications

A. Bard High School Early College DC

Announcing official opening

An email, from Ms. Clara Haskell Botstein, Associate Vice President of Bard Early Colleges announced that Bard High School Early College DC (Bard DC) has officially opened its doors to more than 165 District students that are working towards earning a tuition-free Associate's degree.

No action required by the Commission at this time.

B. EC English Language Centers

Notice of Intent to Deny Response – Hearing Request

A letter from Ms. Haviva Parnes, Compliance Director, PDSO of EC English Language Centers, EC English Washington DC campus requests a hearing regarding the Commission's decision to deny the institution's exemption filed under DC Official Code 38-1310 (a)(3).

Staff will work to identify a hearing officer and subsequent date for the hearing.

C. Aveda Arts & Science Institute

Personnel Change Letter and Request for Hearing

A letter dated September 6, 2019 from Ms. Lauren Fender, Executive Director of Compliance, notifies the Commission of a personnel change effective September 20, 2019. Melissa Martin, the Assistant Director, will take the role as Institute Director, resume attached.

In letter dated 9/5/19 from Duane Morris representing AVEDA Arts and Science Institute, the institution requests a hearing on the Commission's denial of its application for licensure renewal.

Staff will work to identify a hearing officer and subsequent date for the hearing.

D. Infinite 8 Institute

In response to the Commission's Notice of Infraction for failure to notify and obtain approval from the Commission prior to operating post-secondary educational activities in the District, the institution wishes to deny the charge and appear for a hearing.

Staff will identify a Hearing Officer and schedule date for hearing.

E. Mentora College

Accreditation Renewal Letter

The Commission was notified that the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation has granted a 9-year continued reaccreditation to Mentora College.

No action required by the Commission at this time.

XIV. Nominations & Elections of Officers

In accordance with DCMR Title 5 Chapter A82 the Commission shall choose annually from among its members a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Secretary. The Commission must elect its Officers at a public meeting.

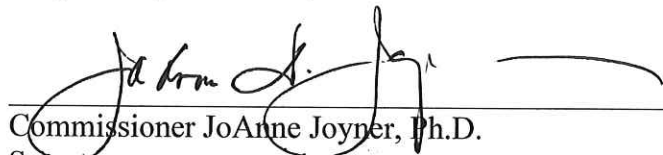
The Commission voted unanimously to elect officers as follows: Dr. Mary E. Dilworth, Chairperson; Mr. John Cross, Vice Chairperson; and Dr. JoAnne Joyner, Secretary.

XV. Next Public Meeting: November 7, 2019

XVI. Adjournment

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Commissioner JoAnne Joyner, Ph.D.
Secretary

