

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

401 E Street, S.W.

CHILD FATALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Open Minutes of the February 16, 2023, Meeting

There were 32 attendees:

CFRC Members:

Dr. Kristinza Giese, MD (OCME)

Theresa Early (DHS)

Elizabeth Muffoletto (CFSA) Marie Cohen (Community)

Dr. Amy Mack (OGVP) Elizabeth Wieser (OAG)

Dr. Eric Rosenthal, MD (CNH) Debbie Allen (DBH)

Allison Losey (OSSE) Erin Cullen (OAG)

Andrea Allen (DCPS) Dr. Khandra Tyler-Beynum, MD (DYRS)

Aleazor Taylor (DC FEMS) Hon. Darlene Soltys (DCSC)
David Gorman (USAO) Ella Hanson (DC Council)

Michelle Gray (DCPSB) Shalonda Cawthon (Ombudsperson)
Sgt. Rick Rice (MPD) Dr. Thomas Farley, MD (DOH)

Nikkita Easley (DC Council)

Janel Daniels (DCSC)

Dr. Cheryl Williams, MD (Community)

Gabe Castro-Root (American University Journalism Student)

Nicholas Weil (BEGA)

Steven Walker (MOTA)

CFRC Staff:

Participants:

Jenna Beebe-Aryee (OCME)

Jessica Edwards (OCME)

Enisa Boardwine (OCME)

Katherine Barnes (OCME)

Ebele Brown (OCME)

Candace Hardin (OCME)

Open Meeting (recorded)

I. Greetings and Introductions

The meeting opened at 10:03am with Co-Chairs Dr. Kristinza Giese and Theresa Early providing opening remarks. Quorum was achieved and the roll call for the open portion of the meeting was conducted.

- The Fatality Review Program specialist advised that Steven Walker, Director, from the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA), was present to swear-in new CFRC members. The following members were sworn-in to the CFRC Committee:
 - Ella Hanson (DC Council)
 - Shalonda Cawthon (Ombudsperson)
 - Nikkita Easley (DC Council)
- The CFRC voted to approve the **February 16, 2023**, Open Agenda as written.
- The open portion of the **January 19, 2023**, minutes were reviewed and accepted with no amendments or corrections.
- Gabe Castro-Root, Journalism student from American University, advised that
 he was in attendance at the meeting as a part of a project that he was
 completing for his journalism class-which was to attend/observe open
 meetings in the District and conduct a write up. He also stated that he would
 possibly follow up with some members by email after the meeting.
- The Co-Chair stated that additional information on the work that the CFRC committee does was available on the OCME website.
- No additional members of the public requested attendance at the open portion of the meeting or were present other than those with special invitation.

II. Adjournment

• The Fatality Review Program Manager provided closing remarks and notation of the requirement for the reading of the legislative statement. The Co-Chair read the following statement:

"This meeting is hereby closed to the public for the following reasons-Open Meetings Act section B12 and 14; and §4-1371.08."

CFRC members voted to close the open portion of the meeting and move into closed session. The next CFRC meeting is scheduled for **March 16, 2023.**