

*Attachment to the Open Session Minutes of the Commission's April 26, 2023 Meeting*

CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to §§ 3-301(a) and 3-305(b)(7) of the General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and upon motion of Commissioner Serrano, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, and with unanimous agreement of the Commissioners present, the Maryland Higher Education Commission met in closed session on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, virtually, by video, using Google Meet, for the purpose of reviewing an academic program proposal pursuant to Title 11 of the Education Article, Annotated Code of Maryland and to receive legal advice from counsel regarding academic program review. The following Commission members were not present for the vote: James Sellinger, Craig Williams, Sade Davis, and Lewis Brown.

The Executive Session commenced at approximately 3:25 p.m. In attendance at closed session were Commissioners Mary Pat Seurkamp, Vivian Boyd, James Coleman, Senchal Barrolle, Ray Serrano, Barbara Kerr Howe, and Charles McDaniels; and Assistant Attorney General Soma Kedia. The topic of discussion at the closed session was the Assistant Secretary's decision to recommend the proposed Stevenson University Doctor of Physical Therapy Program under COMAR 13B.02.03.28. The Commission also received legal advice on the criteria for program review in COMAR 13B.02.03. The action taken during the closed session was to overturn the Assistant Secretary's decision to recommend the proposed degree program. The Closed Session ended at approximately 4:05 p.m.