



Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board

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March 25, 2021

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

[MS Teams](#)

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Eva Alvarez	Adam Dietrich	Francisco Posada	Beth VanDrie
Craig Anderson	Bill Groenink	Mark Miezio	
Jesse Costilla	Joann Hoganson	Dorian Slaybod	

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Trever Meachum	Lupita Perales	Ann Marie Rocha	Jose Roman-Mota
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NOTED GUESTS:

Thomas Arcury	Elvira Hernandez	Grace Michienzi	Olivia Turrubiates
Hector Arroyo	Lisabeth Iglesias-Rios	Sara Quandt	Mark Swartz
Majed Ghussaini	Jim Johnson	Joseph Rivet	Jamie Zmitko-Somers
Alexis Handal	Fred Leitz	Heather Throne	
Teresa Hendricks	Gary McDowell	Ben Tirrell	

NOTE TAKER:

Olivia Turrubiates

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairperson Hoganson called the meeting of the Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board to order at 1:01 p.m.

Roll Call Introductions

Chairperson Hoganson conducted a roll call of Board members in attendance.

Industry Informational Presentations

Michigan Farmworker Project

Board members reviewed the Michigan Farmworker Project, conducted by University of Michigan School of Public Health. Members discussed how precarious employment factors (i.e., toxic exposure, work schedules, familial needs, etc.) specifically impact migrant workers and recommendations needed to improve migrant worker housing options in Michigan.

Migrant Farmworker Housing: Implications for Rest and Recovery

Board members discussed, in detail, with Thomas Arcury, PhD., and Sara Quandt, PhD, Wake Forest School of Medicine research projects, 1) Heat Index in Migrant

Farmworker Housing: Implications for Rest and Recovery from Work-Related Heat Stress and 2) Farmworker Housing in the United States and Its Impact on Health.

MLH Inspection: Deep Dive

Board members reviewed in detail MDARD Migrant Labor Housing Inspection and Licensing Program, Michigan's migrant workforce demographics, migrant housing camp hazards, housing construction and applicable rules presented by MDARD staff, Majed Ghussaini and Mark Swartz.

Overview and April 8 Meeting Prep

Board members discussed coordination and logistics for the next Board meeting scheduled on April 8, 2021.

Public Comment

Lisbeth Iglesias was concerned about the ratio of current MDARD MLH Inspectors to the total number of required MLH inspections. Members will monitor new housing inspection protocols to determine if a recommendation for additional staff is required.

Chairperson Hoganson adjourned the Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board meeting at 3:02 p.m.

The next Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board Meeting is scheduled on Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.