BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Steve Walker, Director
Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA)
What boards and commissions do:

The 164 active boards and commissions provide guidance to District Government functions and/or engage subject matter experts and community leaders.

- Advisory: 84
- Licensing and Regulatory: 51
- Managing: 15
- Policy-making and planning: 14
Types of appointments and compensation

• **Direct appointment vs. confirmed appointment**
  – Confirmed - nominated by Mayor confirmed by Council
  – Direct appointment - nominated and appointed by Mayor

• **Mayoral appointee types**
  – District residents
  – Government representatives (ex-officio)
Compensation

• The **overwhelming** majority of board positions are voluntary positions
• 164 boards and commissions
• 15 offer compensation / stipend (9%)
  – 4 are full-time commissioners (2%)
  – 11 offer stipend (7%)
## Members by appointing authority

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District of Columbia Boards and Commissions - alignments

OPERATION CLUSTERS
- EDUCATION
- ECON. DEV
- HEALTH
- ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY
- PUB. SAFETY

ENGAGEMENT
- COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
- OSA

OTHER
- INDEPENDENT AGENCIES
- REGIONAL PLANNING BODIES
How to join a DC Board/Commission

① Express an interest in serving
② Complete application on www.mota.dc.gov or with MOTA Associate Director.
③ Interview / discussion with MOTA staff and as applicable agency point of contact. I.e. DOH staff with Board of Dentistry.
④ Appointment procedures and processes by MOTA
  • Bio and resume
  • Background assessment
  • Verification of credentials (where applicable)
  • Verification of tax records
⑤ Approval, appointed and sworn
Better engagement with boards and commission members

1. Automation of processes

2. Online access and posting on mota.gov
   - Boards and commissions
   - Vacancies
   - Application

3. Training
   - Board ethics
   - Board roles/responsibilities
   - Functional by board
Better engagement with boards and commission members

4. **New website coming in 2016**

5. **Better link commissioners to the Administration**
   - All members get an @dcbc.dc.gov email address

6. **Engagement with MOTA**
   - "open door" policy
   - Swearing in ceremony
   - Engagement meetings with board members