

Maine Board of Osteopathic Licensure
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Minutes of August 11, 2016 Board Meeting – 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Members Present: Joseph R. D. deKay, D.O., Board Chair; John F. Gaddis, D.O.; Gary Palman, D.O.; Melissa Michaud, PA-C; David Rydell, D.O. Board members excused: Scott Thomas, D.O., Vice-Chair; Marty McIntyre, Public Member; Natania Piper, D.O., Board Secretary.

Others Present: Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary; Michael Miller, Assistant Attorney General; Savannah Okoronkwo, Consumer Assistance Specialist; Det. James Gioia, Office of the Attorney General; Maureen Sturtevant, Esquire; Angela Westhoff, Executive Director, Maine Osteopathic Association; Karl Saba, D.O.; Ashley Arra, Esquire

I. Complaints & Investigations

Complaint reviews are conducted in Public Session without the use of names, unless otherwise noted. It was noted that for various reasons, the following complaint reviews would be on a future agenda: CR2015-34 and CR2016-08. There being no members of the public present, the Complaint Script was not recited.

A. CR2015-50

Dr. deKay, Case Reporter, provided an overview of the case. Following their review and a discussion, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Palman, seconded by Dr. Gaddis and voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant Board action. The Case Reporter did not vote

B. CR2016-07

Ms. Michaud, Case Reporter, presented an overview of the case. Following review and discussion, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Gaddis, seconded by Dr. deKay and voted to table any action pending additional investigation by Det. Gioia as directed by the Board/Case Reporter. The Case Reporter did not vote.

C. CR2016-30

Dr. Piper, Case Reporter, presented an overview of the case. Following review and discussion of the complaint as well as the complainants request to withdraw her complaint, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Gaddis, seconded by Ms. Michaud and voted unanimously to accept the request and dismiss as further review was not warranted. The Case Reporter did not vote.

II. Consent Agreement/Board Order Compliance Reviews

A. Paul Gosselin, D.O.

In the absence of the Dr. Thomas (Case Reporter), Board members reviewed the reports received and noted information from the MMPHP¹. The Board will await confirmation of the results prior to making any determination. No action was taken.

B. John Herzog, D.O.

In the absence of Dr. Thomas (Case Reporter) no issues of concern were noted; next reports due November 2016. No action was necessary.

C. Bradley Libenson, D.O.

Dr. Palman, Case Reporter, noted no concerns. The Executive Secretary was asked to reach out to the New Hampshire

¹ Maine Medical Professionals Health Program

Board to ensure that there are no current concerns. No action was necessary.

III. Minutes/Revenue & Expense Reports

A. Review of June & July 2016 Meeting Minutes

Following their review, the Board took these actions:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Gaddis, seconded by Ms. Michaud and voted unanimously to accept the June 2016 minutes as written.

MOTION: Made by Dr. Palman, seconded by Dr. Gaddis and voted unanimously to accept the July 2016 minutes as written.

B. Revenue & Expense Reports

The Board reviewed and accepted the financial reports for July 2016. No Board action was necessary.

IV. Other Business

A. Announcement of ASAM Award Winner – Mark Publicker, M.D.

Board members noted the announcement. No action was necessary.

B. Draft Telemedicine Standards of Practice Rule

Board members tabled this review until the October meeting.

C. Invitation of NBOME² Visitation Day – November 7, 2016

Board members noted the invitation.

V. Licensure Matters

A. Permanent Licensure Applications (D.O.)

Following circulation and review, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Gaddis, seconded by Dr. Palman and voted unanimously to approve the permanent licensure applications submitted by: Amanda Ryan, D.O.; Ava Swayze, D.O.; Lisa Lucas, D.O.; Asfa Shad, D.O.; Sheldon Stevenson, D.O.; Trent Peppard, D.O.; Adam Hetland, D.O.

B. Physician Assistant Applications

Following circulation and review, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Gaddis, seconded by Dr. Palman and voted unanimously to approve the application submitted by Ainsley Price, PA-C.

It was noted there would be, as usual, no meeting in September 2016. Dr. Rydell stated this would be his final meeting due to his new job/move to Indiana; Board members and staff wished him well.

Dr. Gaddis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Michaud, to adjourn at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary

² National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners