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# Minutes of July 13, 2017 Board Meeting - 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Members Present: Joseph R. D. deKay, DO, Board Chair; Scott Thomas, DO, Vice-Chair; Melissa Michaud, PA-C; Gary Palman, DO; John Brewer, DO; John F. Gaddis, DO; Ryan Smith, DO Member Excused: Marty McIntyre, Public Member.

Others Present: Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary; Michael Miller, Assistant Attorney General; Savannah Okoronkwo, Consumer Assistance Specialist; Angela Westhoff, Executive Director, Maine Osteopathic Association; Natania Piper, DO; Ronald Schneider, Esquire; Sandra Rothera, Esquire; Lani Graham, MD, Director, Medical Professionals Health Program; Cathryn Stratton, Medical Professionals Health Program; Abigail Varga, Esquire

# I. Complaints & Investigations

Complaint reviews are conducted in Public Session without the use of names, unless otherwise noted. Dr. Thomas recited the Complaint Script.

#### A. CR2016 07

Following a thorough review of the complaint, response and medical records submitted, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Thomas, seconded by Dr. Gaddis and voted to dismiss as the complaint did not rise to a level which would warrant further Board action. Dr. Palman abstained from voting. Ms. Michaud, Case Reporter, did not vote.

### B. CR2017 07

Following a thorough review of the complaint, response, medical records and rebuttal, the Board took this action:

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

### C. CR2017 08

Following a thorough review of the complaint, response, medical records and rebuttal, 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 further Board action. Ms. Michaud, Case Reporter, did not vote.

### D. CR2017 10

Following a thorough review of the complaint, response, medical records and rebuttal, the Board took this action:

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

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#### E. CR2017 13

Following a thorough review of the complaint, response, medical records and rebuttal, the Board took this action:

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

#### F. CR2017 18

Following a thorough review of the complaint, response, medical records and rebuttal, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Gaddis, seconded by Dr. deKay and voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant further Board action. The Case Reporter, Ms. McIntyre, was not at the meeting.

# II. Consent Agreement/Board Decision & Order Compliance & Updates

# A. Paul Gosselin, DO

Dr. Thomas, Case Reporter, reported notice of a preliminary positive test. Following discussion, the Board decided to wait on a final report before determining a course of action.

# B. Kevin Kenerson, DO

Dr. deKay, Case Reporter, noted no issues of concern. The Executive Secretary noted having received a call from the program the licensee is registered to attend in September and that reports will be forthcoming once the course has been completed.

## C. Bradley Libenson, DO

Dr. Palman, Case Reporter, noted no issues of concern.

### III. Medical Professionals Health Program - Annual Presentation

Dr. Graham and Ms. Stratton provided an overview of the services and briefly described, particularly for the newest Board members, how the MPHP assists health professionals. No Board action was necessary.

At the request of the licensee, who was represented by counsel, the Board voted (Dr. deKay, Dr. Thomas – 2<sup>nd</sup>) to go into Executive Session¹ for the following Informal Conference. Once again in Public Session, the Board took this action:

#### IV. CR2017 09 - Informal Conference

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Michaud and voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant action against the licensee. The Case Reporter did not vote.

# V. Miscellaneous Business

# A. Chapter 2 – Review of Comments, Draft Basis Statement & Responses

Following their review of the comments, draft basis statement and responses, the Board made no changes to the proposed rule, basis statement or responses.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As allowed by Maine law, 32 MRS §2591-A(1).

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### B. Federation of State Medical Boards Duty to Report Summary

Board members reviewed and briefly discussed the Summary. No Board action was necessary.

# C. New Laws - Public Law Chapters 252, 253 & 267

Board members reviewed a few of the newest public law chapters, in particular Chapter 253, regarding the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (IMLC). The Board determined that no action is necessary at this time, regarding the IMLC.

#### D. Election of Officers

Following nominations, the Board voted the following into office for the coming year:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. deKay, seconded by Dr. Smith and voted unanimously for nominations to cease.

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Gaddis, seconded by Dr. Palman and voted unanimously to elect Scott Thomas, D.O. as Board Chair; Melissa Michaud, PA-C as Board Vice-Chair and John Gaddis, D.O. as Board Secretary.

# VI. Licensure Matters

### A. Permanent Licensure Applications

Following circulation and review of the applications, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Gaddis, seconded by Dr. Thomas and voted unanimously to approve the license applications submitted by: Hunter Sweet, DO; Kathryn Brokus, DO; Debra Margolis, DO; Jennifer Cavalari, DO; Danielle Harik, DO; Christopher Blomberg, DO; Katherine Reilly, DO; Amy Riviere, DO; Joseph McCue, DO.

A second motion was then made:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Gaddis, seconded by Dr. Thomas and unanimously approved the application of John Nadeau, D.O. to be issued as long as the Executive Secretary is able to confirm the applicant's PGY1 training program.

# B. Physician Assistant Applications

There were no new PA applications for review.

# V. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Palman, seconded by Dr. Thomas and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12 noon

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary