

Maine Board of Osteopathic Licensure
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Minutes of May 10, 2018 Board Meeting – 9:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Members Present: Melissa Michaud, PA-C, Vice Chair; John Brewer, DO; Marty McIntyre, Public Member; John Gaddis, D.O., Board Secretary; Brian Gillis, D.O.; Ryan Smith, D.O. Member Excused: Scott Thomas, D.O.

Others Present: Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary; Michael Miller, Assistant Attorney General; Savannah Okoronkwo, Consumer Assistance Specialist; Detective James Gioia, Office of the Attorney General; Emily Bloch, Esquire; Christopher Taintor, Esquire.

The meeting began with a quorum of four (4) members; Drs. Gaddis & Gillis were not yet present.

I. Complaints & Investigations

Complaint and investigative reviews are conducted in Public Session without the use of names, unless otherwise noted. Ms. McIntyre recited the Complaint Script.

Dr. Gaddis joined the meeting during the reading of the script.

A. CR2017 25

Following a thorough review of the materials presented during which included psychiatric records forwarded on behalf of the licensee, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Brewer, seconded by Dr. Gaddis and voted unanimously to uphold the Board's November decision to require that the licensee must undergo a comprehensive neuropsychological evaluation including a substance misuse evaluation. Ms. McIntyre, Case Reporter, did not vote.

B. IN2018 11

Following a lengthy discussion regarding the investigative materials presented based on an anonymous call to the Board office regarding partially burned and tattered identifiable medical records strewn about a parking lot and into the woods, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Dr. Brewer and voted unanimously to issue a complaint regarding unprofessional conduct (including but not limited to violation of patient confidentiality, medical ethics, etc.). Ms. Michaud, Case Reporter, did not vote.

Dr. Brewer thanked Det. Gioia for his clear and concise work and photos regarding this case. Ms. McIntyre asked that Det. Gioia re-visit the site to be sure that the records have been cleaned up.

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

A. Paul Gosselin, D.O.

The licensee continues to be suspended from practice; no information.

B. Kevin Kenerson, DO

Dr. Gaddis, not having received the requested records for review, noted no current concerns and will hope to report on his review of the requested records at the June 2018 meeting.

III. Minutes/Revenue & Expense Reports

A. April 2018 Meeting Minutes

Review of the minutes was tabled until the June meeting.

B. Revenue & Expense Reports

The March 2018 reports, provided by DAFS¹, were reviewed and accepted.

At this time, Dr. Gillis joined the meeting.

IV. Miscellaneous

A. Review of Draft Revisions to Joint Rule Chapter 10 (Sexual Misconduct)

Following review and discussion, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Ms. Michaud, seconded by Ms. McIntyre and voted unanimously to move forward with the rulemaking process.

B. Review of Draft Joint Rule Chapter 12 – Office Based Tx of Opioid Use Disorder

Following a request from Ms. McIntyre that the Boards meet to discuss future changes to joint rules, a subcommittee will work on this rule draft. Ms. McIntyre and Dr. Brewer volunteered to participate. Representatives from the Boards of Nursing and Medicine will participate.

C. Request for Clarification re: Joint Chapter 21

The Maine Medical Association requested clarification of some parts of Chapter 21. Following their review, the Board asked that the MMA outline the specific portions of the rule with which they are concerned in order that the Board can better address the concerns.

D. Update re: LD1267 – An Act to Protect Licensing Information of Medical Professionals

Board members were updated that this LD was vetoed by the Governor, placed in the Legislative files and considered 'Dead'.

E. MMPHP Updated Brochure/Board Referral Form

Board members reviewed the updated brochure and the referral form. No Board action was necessary.

V. Licensure Matters

A. Review of Correspondence from Gretchen Preneta, PA-C

Board members reviewed and discussed Ms. Preneta's request to switch her license from the Board of Osteopathic Licensure to the Board of Licensure in Medicine due to concern that individuals verifying license status do not always check both medical board websites. Board members took no action regarding the request. Both medical Boards are working on updates to the Agency Licensure Management System (ALMS) search engines for the Boards.

B. Permanent Licensure Applications

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

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Ms. Michaud and voted unanimously to approve the permanent licensure applications submitted by Paul Alessi, D.O.; Shahriar Anoushfar, D.O.; Wendell Bulmer, D.O.; John Diefenderfer, D.O.; Aimee Beaton, D.O.; Perri Huitt, D.O.; Vanessa Katon, D.O.; Eric Lubiner, D.O.; Donald McNally, D.O.; Janie Nguyen, D.O.;

¹ Division of Administrative & Financial Services

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Steven Swancoat, D.O.; Sarah Tomasz, D.O.; Barry Turek, D.O. and Heather Westemeyer, D.O.

C. Physician Assistant Applications

There were no PA applications ready for review.

VI. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Dr. Brewer and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary