

Maine Board of Osteopathic Licensure
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Minutes of April 8, 2021 Board Meeting – 9:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Members Present: Scott Thomas, DO., Board Chair; Melissa Michaud, PA-C, Vice Chair; James Pisini, DO; John Brewer, DO; John Gaddis, DO, Board Secretary; Marty McIntyre, Public Member; Peter Michaud, Public Member; Christine Munroe, DO. Board Member excused: Brian Gillis, DO.

Others Present: Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary; Lisa Wilson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General; Nikolette Alexander, Consumer Assistance Specialist; Det. Michael Durham, Office of the Attorney General; Peter Somerville, Office of the Attorney General;; Kenneth Lehman, Esquire; Amanda Richards, Executive Director, Maine Osteopathic Association; Emily Bloch, Esquire; Elizabeth Campbell, Esquire; Stephanie Koehling

Complaint and investigative reviews are held in Public Session without the use of names unless otherwise noted.

I. Review of Complaint and Investigative Matters

A. CR2021 05 – Dr. Gaddis, Case Reporter

Following review and discussion, Board members took this action:

MOTION: Made by Mr. Michaud, seconded by Ms. McIntyre with the vote, via roll call, being in favor to dismiss the complaint and issue a Letter of Guidance acknowledging the practice changes made to improve patient experience and suggesting that the licensee continue doing so; the Letter of Guidance will remain on file for two (2) years. Motion carried. Dr. Thomas opposed the motion. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

At this time, because she had previously recused herself from participation in the following matter, Ms. Michaud left the meeting during this matter.

B. IN2021 01 – Dr. Pisini, Case Reporter

Following review and discussion regarding the evaluation conducted and report received at the Board's request pursuant to statute and based on a concerning report received from another health care provider, Board members took this action:

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Thomas with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to close the investigation with no further action being necessary. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

Ms. Michaud rejoined the meeting at this time.

C. IN2021 06 – Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter

Following review of the provider report received as well as the materials provided, the Board took this action:

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MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Pisini with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to issue a complaint based on prescribing practices, failure to comply with Rule Chapter 21, failure to comply with the relevant statutes, incompetence and unprofessional conduct. No more than one 15-day extension for submission of response is to be allowed. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

D. IN2021 07 – Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter

Following review of the information provided, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Gaddis and seconded by Mr. Michaud with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to issue a complaint based on alleged violations of Board rule Chapter 21 and unprofessional conduct. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

E. IN2021 13 – Dr. Pisini, Case Reporter

Following review of the information provided, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Gaddis with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to issue a complaint based on violations of Board rule Chapters 12 and 21. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

II. Minutes/Revenue & Expense Reports

A. March 2021 Draft Meeting Minutes

Following review, the Board took this action.

MOTION: Made by Dr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Michaud with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to approve the minutes of the March 2021 meeting as written.

B. Review of March 2021 Revenue & Expense Reports¹

Board members reviewed and accepted the revenue and expense reports.

III. Old & New Business/Miscellaneous

A. FSMB² Matters

There were no specific matters for discussion at this meeting except a reminder to members of the upcoming FSMB virtual Annual Meeting.

B. Legislation

Board members reviewed and discussed several LDs; Dr. Thomas will work on testimony for review by the appropriate parties and will present if approved.

IV. Permanent Licensure Applications

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Thomas with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to approve the following applications for permanent licensure: UMBER AHMAD, DO;

¹ Department of Administrative & Financial Services

² Federation of State Medical Boards

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Matthew Clark, DO; Jodi Conrad, DO; Sara Edwards, DO; Sadie Garita, DO; Nathaniel Gelinas, DO; Christopher Jastram, DO; Jayesh Madrecha, DO; Himanshu Malhotra, DO; Kristie Menard, DO; Grant Oakley, DO and Jonathan Rud, DO.

V. Adjournment

This being Dr. Thomas' final Board meeting, Board members and staff took this opportunity to acknowledge his many years of service and the manner in which he has handled situations through the years. Several noted having learned a lot from him and that he will be greatly missed.

The meeting was adjourned, via unanimous roll call vote, at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary