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**Minutes of July 8, 2021 Board Meeting – 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon**

Members Present: Melissa Michaud, PA-C, Board Chair; James Pisini, DO; John Brewer, DO, Board Secretary; Peter Michaud, Public Member; Christine Munroe, DO; Lisa Ryan, DO and Rebecca Vose, PA-C. Members Excused: John Gaddis, DO; Marty McIntyre, Public Member and 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; Clare Berger, Maine Osteopathic Association; Emily Bloch, Esquire; Kenneth Lehman, Esquire; Ronald Schneider, Esquire.

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 06 – Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter**

Dr. Brewer provided an overview of the case. Following review and discussion, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Ryan with the vote via roll call being unanimous to set the matter for hearing and offer the licensee a Consent Agreement with specific terms as outlined during discussion. The Board also asked that the PMP be checked to determine whether there were Medical Assistants registered under the licensee's name. Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter, abstained from voting.

**B. CR202107 – Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter**

Dr. Brewer provided an overview of the case and following review and discussion, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Mr. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Munroe with the vote being unanimous to table the matter and request an update at the beginning of the November from the pharmaceutical review committee at the practice where the licensee works. Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter, abstained from voting.

**C. CR2021 08 – Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter**

Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter, provided an overview of the case and following review and discussion, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Pisini with the roll call vote being unanimous to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise a level which would warrant any action against the licensee. Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter, abstained from voting.

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### **D. CR2021 09 – Ms. Michaud, Case Reporter**

Ms. Michaud, Case Reporter, provided an overview of the case and following review and discussion, the Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Mr. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Brewer with the vote via roll call being unanimous to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant action against the licensee. Ms. Michaud, care reporter, abstained from voting.

### **E. CR2021 17 – Dr. Gaddis, Case Reporter (not present)**

In the absence of the Case Reporter, Board members, having reviewed all of the materials, discussed the case and took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Brewer and seconded by Ms. Michaud with the vote via roll call being unanimous to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant action against the licensee.

### **F. IN2021 03 – Dr. Munroe, Case Reporter**

Dr. Munroe provided an overview of the case and following review and discussion, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Mr. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Ryan with the vote via roll call being unanimous to issue a complaint on the Board's own motion alleging unprofessional conduct and incompetence and to subpoena the medical records of the patient from both physicians. Dr. Munroe, Case Reporter, abstained from voting.

## **II. Minutes/Revenue & Expense Reports**

### **A. June 2021 Draft Meeting Minutes**

Review of the minutes, not quite complete, was tabled until the July 2021 meeting.

### **B. Review of June 2021 Revenue & Expense Reports<sup>1</sup>**

Because the meeting was early in the month, the reports were not yet available; will be provided in July.

## **III. Old/New Business**

### **A. Public Law, Ch 290 – An Act Re Remote Participation in Public Proceedings**

AAG Wilson noted that PL Chapter 290 requires in person meetings but also allows agencies to create policies regarding virtual meetings in emergency situations and virtual attendance in specific situations such as bad weather for Board members who would otherwise travel long distances. Those attending virtually would still count toward the quorum. AAG Wilson noted that her office is working on draft language for such an agency policy; Board members indicated an interest in reviewing and possibly adopting such a policy.

### **B. Review of Rule Chapter 3 – Supervision of Physician Extenders and Review of Rule Chapter 16 – Prescribing & Treatment of Self & Family Members**

Board members reviewed and discussed both rules and established a workgroup consisting of Ms. Michaud, Dr. Brewer and Ms. Vose as well as AAG Wilson and Ms. Strout. They will meet to discuss the two rules

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<sup>1</sup> Department of Administrative & Financial Services

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#### **IV. Licensure Matters**

##### **A. Permanent Licensure Applications**

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

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Pisini with the vote via roll call being unanimous to approve the license applications submitted by: Marie Dardeno, DO; Aaron White, PA-C; Joshua Duchene, DO; Meaghan Gilbert, PA-C; Jonathan Heierman, PA-C; Brittney LaChance, DO; Sarah Lurvey, DO; Matthew Mason, DO; Shelby Mast, DO; Kristin Patterson, DO; Cassandra Rodrigues, DO; Jessica Schaumburg, DO; John Tivnan, DO and Brittany Whitaker, DO.

##### **B. Magili Quinn, DO**

Dr. Quinn noted a shortage of hours due to some CME having been cancelled during the pandemic and requested an extension to make up the hours she was missing to meet her statutory requirement. The Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Brewer and seconded by Ms. Michaud with the vote via roll call being unanimous to offer the licensee an administrative Consent Agreement with 90 days to complete her statutory requirement.

##### **C. Rita R. S. Ongjoco, DO**

The Board voted to offer the license an administrative Consent Agreement at the June 2021 meeting and the licensee related to Ms. Strout that she didn't believe she would be able to complete the 23.75 hours of All Other hours by September 30, 2021. The Board stood by its original offer because Category 2 hours are not difficult to obtain virtually.

At this time, Ms. Michaud congratulated both Christine Munroe, DO for having been honored with the prestigious 2 Roswell P. Bates, DO Public Service Award and Ms. Strout for having been honored with the Osteopathic Champion Award, both for 2021.

On a sad note, Dr. Brewer announced that Arthur J. VanDerburgh, DO, a Board member for many years and Chair for several, had recently passed away.

Board members were reminded that the August meeting would be held in person.

#### **V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned, via unanimous roll call vote, at 12 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary