

Maine Board of Osteopathic Licensure
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Minutes of March 11, 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; Brian Gillis, DO.; John Brewer, DO; John Gaddis, DO, Board Secretary; Marty McIntyre, Public Member; Peter Michaud, Public Member; Christine Munroe, 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; Heidi Bean, Esquire; Kenneth Lehman, Esquire; Amanda Richards, Executive Director, Maine Osteopathic Association

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. CR2020 31 – Dr. Pisini, Case Reporter

Following review and a lengthy discussion, Board members took this action:

MOTION: Made by Ms. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Gillis 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. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

At this time, because he previously recused himself from participation in the following matter, Dr. Thomas left the meeting to return once notified that the matter had concluded.

B. CR2020 40 – Ms. Michaud, Case Reporter

Following review of a proposed consent agreement signed by the licensee and as well as a lengthy discussion, Board members took this action:

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Pisini with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to reject the proposed consent agreement and to order the licensee to undergo a full psychological examination, pursuant to 32 MRS §2593. The Board expects this evaluation be completed within 60 days with the full report provided to the Board. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

Dr. Thomas rejoined the meeting at this time.

C. IN2021 07

This matter was tabled until the April 2021 meeting as the additional materials necessary for review had not arrived.

II. Minutes/Revenue & Expense Reports

A. February 2021 Draft Meeting Minutes

Following review, the Board took this action.

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

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B. Review of January 2021 (Period 7) 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.

B. Legislation

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

C. Election of Officers

The following nominations were presented: Melissa Michaud, PA-C as Chair; James Pisini, DO, as Vice-Chair and John Brewer, DO as Board Secretary. Following discussion, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Gaddis and seconded by Mr. Michaud with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to elect Ms. Michaud as Chair, Dr. Pisini as Vice Chair and Dr. Brewer as Board Secretary.

The Nominating Committee indicated that those newly elected will begin as of May 1, 2021.

IV. Permanent Licensure Applications

MOTION: Made by Dr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Michaud with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to table the application submitted by Matthew Brown, DO until the remaining documentation was received.

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Gaddis to approve the applications of Catherine Batz, DO and Nathaniel Gelinias, DO.

The Executive Secretary then noted that an error had been made that not all documentation had been received for applicant Mathew Brown, DO when it was actually Nathaniel Gelinias, DO whose application was not complete. Due to this error on her part, the following motions were necessary:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Michaud with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to rescind the prior motion to table the application submitted by Matthew Brown, DO.

MOTION: Made by Mr. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Thomas with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to table the application submitted by Nathaniel Gelinias, DO pending receipt of his medical school transcript.

CLARIFYING MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Brewer with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to approve the application submitted by Matthew Brown, DO.

CLARIFYING MOTION: Made by Dr. Pisini and seconded by Ms. McIntyre with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to approve the application submitted by Catherine Batz, DO. Mr. Michaud abstained from voting.

The Board took a brief break and upon return took this action: **MOTION** made by Dr. Thomas and seconded by Dr. Brewer with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to go into Executive Session for the following Informal Conference, as requested by the licensee pursuant to 32 MRS §2591-A (1). A **MOTION** to return to Public Session

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² Federation of State Medical Boards

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was then made by Dr. Thomas and seconded by Dr. Gillis with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous and the Board took this action:

V. CR2020 21 – Informal Conference

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Thomas 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, Case Reporter, abstained from voting.

VI. Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary